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WEEK SEVEN

GREEN BAY (3-2) at CLEVELAND (1-5)

Sunday, Oct. 25 • Cleveland Browns Stadium • 12:00 p.m. CDT

PACKERS HIT THE ROAD TO TAKE ON BROWNS

Coming off its first shutout victory in nearly two years, Green Bay travels east to Cleveland to take on the 1-5 Browns.

- The Packers make the trip to the city on the shores of Lake Erie for the first time since 1995. Cleveland is the only NFL city the Packers have not traveled to over that period.
- In fact, since the Browns franchise resumed play in 1999, Green Bay is the only franchise yet to make an appearance in Cleveland.
- Sunday marks matchup No. 18 in the all-time series, which began in Milwaukee in 1953. Green Bay owns a 9-7-0 advantage over the Browns in the regular season and took perhaps the most famous meeting between the two, a 23-12 victory in the 1965 NFL Championship.
- The two franchises have produced some of the greatest teams and players the league has ever seen. The Packers rank second among all teams with players enshrined in the Pro Football Hall of Fame with 21, while the Browns are sixth with 16. Green Bay has 12 NFL championships, while Cleveland has four.
- Since Green Bay's last trip to Cleveland, the two teams have met just twice in 13 seasons. Both (2001 and '05) have come at Lambeau Field.
- Coaches won't pay too much attention this week to their preseason matchup against the Browns to kick off the 2009 campaign. Green Bay's starters did jump out to a 14-0 lead in just over a quarter of play.
- Cleveland returns home after two consecutive road games, most recently dropping a 27-14 decision at Pittsburgh. The Browns will continue in the NFC North in Week 8 with a game in Chicago before their bye.



THE GOOD AND THE BAD

Coming off its bye week, Green Bay put together a solid all-around performance at home to record its first shutout against Detroit in 63 years.

- The Packers jumped out to a 23-0 halftime lead and used clock control in the second half to help preserve the victory. Protecting home field in division games is always a focus, and the team stands at 3-2 and in second place in the NFC North through the season's first six weeks.
- Setting a season high for total net offense (435 yards) and fewest yards allowed (149) helps give the team momentum heading into the road game at Cleveland, but there is still plenty for the team to correct in the film room and on the practice field this week.
- All phases will be stressing penalties, as the Packers were flagged a season-high 13 times on Sunday. That number ties the highest amount in the tenure of Head Coach **Mike McCarthy**. Six of those flags came in the first quarter. In all, the penalties equaled 130 yards, the second-highest total under McCarthy.
- On offense, the team converted just one of five red-zone opportunities into touchdowns, a clear focus given that the team is 7-of-17 (41.2%) inside the 20-yard line through the first five games.
- For a defense still making the transition to the 3-4 scheme, it must continue to jell given that Sunday's contest against the Lions was just its second with all 11 primary starters available.

WITH THE CALL

FOX Sports, now in its 16th season as an NFL network television partner, will broadcast the game to a regional audience.

- Play-by-play man **Ron Pitts** and color analyst **John Lynch** will have the call from the broadcast booth.
- Milwaukee's WTMJ (620 AM), airing Green Bay games since 1929, heads up the 53-station Packers Radio Network, with **Wayne Larrivee** (play-by-play) and two-time Packers Pro Bowler **Larry McCarren** (color) calling the action. The duo enters its 11th season of broadcasts together across the Packers Radio Network, which covers 43 markets in five states.
- For out-of-town listeners, the broadcast is available to NFL Field Pass subscribers on www.packers.com as well as on Sirius Satellite Radio (channel 130 WTMJ feed) as part of the network's NFL Sunday Drive.
- DIRECTV subscribers can watch the game in HD on channel 708.

PRESEASON

Date	Opponent	Time	TV
Sat., Aug. 15	CLEVELAND BROWNS (Gold Pkg.)W, 17-0 (69,091) (Midwest Shrine Game)		
Sat., Aug. 22	BUFFALO BILLS.W, 31-21 (68,908) (Bishop's Charities Game)		
Fri., Aug. 28	at Arizona Cardinals.W, 44-37 (61,753)		
Thur., Sept. 3	at Tennessee Titans.L, 13-27 (69,143)		

REGULAR SEASON

Date	Opponent	Time	TV
Sun., Sept. 13	CHICAGO BEARS.W, 21-15 (70,920)		
Sun., Sept. 20	CINCINNATI BENGALS (Gold Pkg.)L, 24-31 (70,678)		
Sun., Sept. 27	at St. Louis RamsW, 36-17 (60,234)		
Mon., Oct. 5	at Minnesota Vikings.L, 23-30 (63,846)		
Sun., Oct. 11	Open Date		
Sun., Oct. 18	DETROIT LIONSW, 26-0 (70,801)		
Sun., Oct. 25	at Cleveland Browns12 noon		FOX
Sun., Nov. 1	MINNESOTA VIKINGS.3:15 p.m.		FOX
Sun., Nov. 8	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers.12 noon		FOX
Sun., Nov. 15	DALLAS COWBOYS (Gold Pkg.)3:15 p.m.		FOX
Sun., Nov. 22	SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS.12 noon		FOX
Thurs., Nov. 26	at Detroit Lions (Thanksgiving)11:30 a.m.		FOX
Mon., Dec. 7	BALTIMORE RAVENS7:30 p.m.		ESPN
Sun., Dec. 13	at Chicago Bears12 noon		FOX
Sun., Dec. 20	at Pittsburgh Steelers*12 noon		FOX
Sun., Dec. 27	SEATTLE SEAHAWKS*12 noon		FOX
Sun., Jan. 3	at Arizona Cardinals.*3:15 p.m.		FOX

*—Start time and broadcast may shift due to NFL flexible scheduling

NFL POSTSEASON DATES

Jan. 9-10AFC and NFC Wild Card Playoffs
Jan. 16-17AFC and NFC Divisional Playoffs
Jan. 24AFC and NFC Championship Games
Jan. 31AFC-NFC Pro Bowl at Land Shark Stadium, Miami
Feb. 7Super Bowl XLIV at Land Shark Stadium, Miami





THIS WEEK AT 1265 LOMBARDI AVENUE

DRIVER MAKES HISTORY AT HOME

WR **Donald Driver**, now in his 11th season with the Packers, had first begun to lay claim to some of the franchise's all-time receiving records in 2007. One by one they began to fall, but none had been more meaningful than the one he achieved Sunday against Detroit.

- ▶ With his first catch, Driver surpassed WR **Sterling Sharpe** (1988-94, 595) to become the franchise's all-time leader in receptions.
- ▶ On a quick out, Driver took the pass and fought through a group of defenders for a first down, a play that typifies the career of the former seventh-round pick from Alcorn State.
- ▶ Though he is the second-oldest player on the roster at age 34, Driver has shown no signs of slowing down in 2009. He leads the team in catches (25), receiving yards (395) and is tied for the lead in touchdown catches (2). Those numbers rank near the top of the NFC and certainly put him in the conversation for a fourth career Pro Bowl selection.
- ▶ Driver has been the model of consistency for the Packers, catching at least one pass in 116 consecutive games, also a franchise record.
- ▶ And he's not slowing down, literally, either. Driver had another highlight-reel catch against the Lions, beating a defender and hauling in a sensational 37-yard one-handed catch.

HEALTH WATCH

The Packers emerged from the Lions game with a few injuries, but also saw a number of players return to action coming off the bye.

- ▶ In the backfield, RB **Brandon Jackson** made his 2009 debut after a preseason ankle injury had kept him sidelined. However, the team was without the services of RB **DeShawn Wynn** (knee) and FB **Korey Hall** (calf). It is not known whether either will participate in practice on Wednesday.
- ▶ Injuries continue to plague the offensive line, as T **Chad Clifton** re-aggravated an ankle injury that had caused him to miss two games earlier in the year. Head Coach Mike McCarthy indicated Monday the injury did not appear to be as bad as the original one, and the team will give the veteran lineman a chance to practice later in the week.
- ▶ The team played the Detroit game without the services of C/G **Jason Spitz**, who was plagued last week by back spasms. Veteran C **Scott Wells** started in his place and would be ready to go if need be. McCarthy indicated the team would likely go with rookie G/T **T.J. Lang** should Clifton remain sidelined. Lang has played well at the position in each of the last two games in fill-in duty.
- ▶ NT **B.J. Raji** also re-aggravated an ankle injury, and McCarthy said Monday the team will likely limit him in practice this week.
- ▶ WR **Jordy Nelson** suffered a knee sprain in the Lions contest and will likely miss a couple weeks, according to the coach. Nelson saw extensive time in the team's multiple-wideout formations and had been pegged as the return specialist after the season-ending injury to CB **Will Blackmon** (knee).

THE BIG PLAY RETURNS

Thanks to a bevy of talent around him at the skill positions, QB **Aaron Rodgers** has been doing plenty of damage through the air in the season's first five games.

- ▶ Rodgers already has 22 passes of 20-plus yards, tied for the third highest total among NFL QBs. Ben Roethlisberger (26) leads the NFL, with Matt Schaub (24) behind him. Both Eli Manning and Joe Flacco have 22 passes of 20 yards-or-more.
- ▶ Yet when looking at the group of signal callers, each has played in six games. With an early bye week, Rodgers has played in only five.
- ▶ The big plays have always been a staple of the offense under Head Coach **Mike McCarthy**, as the team ranked second in the NFL in gains of 20-plus yards when it went to the NFC Championship in 2007. That year, the team racked up 67 such plays, 52 of which came through the air.

- ▶ In 2008 when it went 6-10, the team had 58 plays of 20-plus yards, 12th best in the NFL. 48 came via the pass last season.
- ▶ Though the team statistics are uneven as teams go through the bye-week process, the Packers currently rank tied for eighth overall with 23 plays of 20-plus yards. Each of the teams ahead of Green Bay has played six games except for Dallas (27) and New Orleans (24).
- ▶ While the numbers do show the explosiveness of the Packers' offense, they also tell the story of a running game that has seen just one carry for more than 20 yards on the season. RB **Ryan Grant** had a 22-yard carry in the fourth quarter against Detroit.
- ▶ The Packers had 10 "big-play" runs on the ground in 2008 and 15 in 2007. They must aim to get back into the double digits in the category to maintain their place among the NFL's most dangerous offenses.

TOO MANY FLAGS ON THE FIELD

McCarthy again wasn't happy about the penalty difference against the Lions as the team racked up 13 flags to Detroit's six.

- ▶ The Packers have been flagged 47 times this season, tied with Detroit and Oakland for the fifth-highest total in the NFL. Buffalo (61), Baltimore (54), the New York Jets (51) and St. Louis (51) are the most penalized teams in the NFL so far. Each of those teams has played six games compared to Green Bay's five.
- ▶ In penalty yards, the Packers are fourth highest with 359.
- ▶ Those numbers are too high for a team that wanted to put an emphasis on reducing penalties in 2009. Last season, it was flagged for 125 penalties – tied for third most in the NFL.
- ▶ Of those, 110 of the Packers' penalties were accepted, resulting in a league-high 984 penalty yards. Dallas (952), Tennessee (855), Tampa Bay (834) and Oakland (823) rounded out the top 5.
- ▶ The Packers drew penalties against their opponents, too. Eighty-nine opponent penalties were accepted by Green Bay, resulting in 721 penalty yards. That yardage total ranked No. 15.

STAT OF THE WEEK

After establishing a new career-high with 384 passing yards against Minnesota, QB **Aaron Rodgers** threw for 358 yards against Detroit.

- ▶ For Rodgers, it was the first time he has thrown for 300-plus yards in back-to-back games.
- ▶ According to Elias Sports Bureau, his 742 passing yards in back-to-back games ranks as the third-highest total in Packers history.
- ▶ QB Lynn Dickey twice surpassed that number for the Green and Gold. In 1983, Dickey set the franchise record with 770 passing yards in back-to-back games. He threw for 387 yards vs. Washington on Oct. 17 and followed it up with 383 yards vs. Minnesota on Oct. 23.
- ▶ In 1984, Dickey threw for 384 yards vs. San Diego on Oct. 7 and then 371 yards the next week at Denver on Oct. 15. That total (755) ranks second.



- ▶ The 300-yard efforts by Rodgers give him six for his career.
- ▶ Through five games, Rodgers has thrown for 1,456 yards. His 291.2 yards per game rank fifth highest in the league.
- ▶ And while it's only been five games, Rodgers at his current pace would finish the season with 4,659 passing yards. That would break Dickey's franchise record for passing yards in a single season of 4,458, established during the 1983 season.

THE DOPE ON THIS WEEK'S OPPONENT:

**Green Bay Packers vs.
Cleveland Browns**

All-time, regular season:
9-7-0

All-time, postseason:
1-0

All-time, in Cleveland:
5-4-0

Streaks: Green Bay has won four of the last six meetings

Last meeting, regular season:

Sept. 18, 2005, at Lambeau Field; Browns won, 26-24

Last meeting, regular season, in Cleveland:

Nov. 19, 1995; Packers won, 31-20



COACHES CAPSULES

Mike McCarthy: 31-24-0, .563 (incl. 1-1 postseason); 4th NFL season

Eric Mangini: 24-31-0, .436 (incl. 0-1 postseason); 4th NFL season
(1st with Browns)

Head to Head: Mangini 1-0

vs. Opponent: McCarthy 0-0 vs. Browns; Mangini 1-0 vs. Packers

MIKE McCARTHY... Is in fourth year as the Packers' 14th head coach.

- Was named Packers head coach on Jan. 12, 2006, his first head coaching job after 13 years as an NFL assistant.
- Honored as the 2007 Motorola NFL Coach of the Year and NFL Alumni Coach of the Year.
- Became the first Packers coach since Vince Lombardi to lead the team to a championship game in his second season.
- One of only three head coaches to lead an offense ranked in the top 10 in the league each of the past three years.

ERIC MANGINI... Is in first year as the Browns' 12th head coach.

- Served as head coach of the N.Y. Jets the past three seasons, posting two winning records and earning one postseason berth (2006).
- In six seasons as an assistant coach with the New England Patriots (2000-05), was part of three Super Bowl championship teams.
- Began his NFL coaching career with the Browns in 1995.
- Served as head coach and defensive coordinator for a semi-pro team in Australia, the Keweenaw Colts, who won back-to-back titles under his leadership.

THE PACKERS-BROWNS SERIES

The two teams have met a total of 17 times dating back to 1953. This marks the Packers' first trip to Cleveland in 14 years, the only league city the Packers have not traveled to in that span.

- The series includes one postseason meeting, the 1965 NFL Championship played in Green Bay and won by the Packers, 23-12.
- The 1965 title game marked Cleveland's first and only trip to Green Bay until 2001. From 1953-83, the Packers played host to the Browns in Milwaukee five times.
- The Packers own the longest winning streak in the series, five straight from 1961-67 (including 1965 title game).
- The Browns' win in 2005 was the franchise's first at Lambeau Field in three tries.

NOTABLE CONNECTIONS

Packers strength and conditioning coordinator Dave Redding broke into the NFL ranks with Cleveland in 1982, becoming the team's first-ever strength coach. He spent seven seasons with the Browns...Packers LB Clay Matthews' father, Clay, was a first-round draft pick of the Browns

in 1978 and played linebacker for 16 seasons (1978-93) in Cleveland... Packers assistant offensive line coach Jerry Fontenot and Browns defensive line coach Bryan Cox were teammates with the Chicago Bears and the New Orleans Saints...Cox played for the Saints in 2002 when Packers head coach Mike McCarthy was the offensive coordinator there...Browns asst. head coach/special teams coordinator Brad Seely coached on the Panthers staff from 1995-98 when Packers defensive coordinator Dom Capers was the head coach in Carolina...Browns running backs coach Gary Brown worked with the Packers during 2006 training camp as part of the NFL's Minority Coaching Fellowship program...Browns wide receivers coach George McDonald was the offensive coordinator at Western Michigan in 2005 when Packers WR Greg Jennings was a senior for the Broncos...Browns DE Corey Williams played for the Packers for four seasons (2004-07) after being selected by Green Bay in the sixth round of the 2004 Draft. He was traded to the Browns for a second-round pick in 2008...Browns LB David Bowens played for the Packers in 2000, while K Billy Cundiff was in training camp with the Packers in 2006...Browns T Joe Thomas played collegiately at the University of Wisconsin and prepped at Brookfield Central High near Milwaukee...Browns QB Brady Quinn and Packers LB A.J. Hawk are brothers-in-law, with Hawk's wife Laura being Quinn's sister...Browns QB Derek Anderson and Packers LB Nick Barnett were college teammates at Oregon State...Packers T Chad Clifton used to block for Browns RB Jamal Lewis in college at Tennessee...Browns LB Kaluka Maiava and Packers LB Clay Matthews played in the same LB corps at USC and were both drafted this year...Browns WR Mohamed Massaquoi and Packers DE Jarius Wynn were college teammates at Georgia and were drafted this past April...Packers LB Brandon Chillar and Browns DL Kenyon Coleman were teammates at UCLA...Browns G Eric Steinbach was one of four draft picks from the 2002 Iowa offensive line, a group coached by Packers offensive coordinator Joe Philbin.

INDIVIDUALLY VS. BROWNS

WR Donald Driver had six receptions for 105 yards, including a 42-yard touchdown, in the 2005 meeting. LB Nick Barnett led the defense with six tackles, and DE Cullen Jenkins blocked a PAT attempt.

LAST MEETING, REGULAR SEASON

Sept. 18, 2005, at Lambeau Field; Browns won, 26-24.

- The Packers took an early 7-0 lead on Donald Driver's 42-yard TD grab, but Cleveland scored 19 straight points, capped by Trent Dilfer's 80-yard TD pass to rookie Braylon Edwards late in the third quarter.
- Brett Favre threw for 342 yards and three TDs for Green Bay, but Dilfer countered with 336 yards and three scores, the last a 62-yarder with 1:50 left to give the Browns a nine-point lead.
- Driver finished with six catches for 105 yards on a day Reggie White's No. 92 was officially retired by the franchise in a halftime ceremony.
- Favre's 4-yard TD pass to Tony Fisher with 4 seconds left in the game broke John Elway's single-stadium NFL touchdown record of 180. Favre also surpassed 50,000 career passing yards in the contest.

LAST MEETING, IN CLEVELAND

Nov. 19, 1995, at Cleveland Municipal Stadium; Packers won, 31-20.

- Brett Favre threw three TD passes in the first half -- to Dorsey Levens, Mark Chmura and Anthony Morgan -- to give the Packers a commanding 21-3 lead at intermission.
- Favre added a 4-yard TD run and finished an efficient 23-of-28 passing for 210 yards with no interceptions. That marked the third-highest completion percentage (82.14) in a single game in franchise history (min. 20 attempts).
- Vinny Testaverde threw for 244 yards and two TDs for the Browns. Favre and Testaverde would go head-to-head as QBs again 12 years later when the Carolina Panthers played at Lambeau Field on Nov. 18, 2007.



PACKERS TEAM NOTES

BIGBY'S RETURN SPARKS DEFENSE

For just the first time since the season opener, the Packers were able to use all 11 primary starters on the defensive side of the ball.

- And while their play-making ability can't be tied solely to the return of S **Atari Bigby**, who suffered a knee injury in the season opener, there is no doubting the unit's production when he is in there.
- In the opener, the team had four interceptions against the Bears. Sunday against the Lions, it recorded three, including one by Bigby in the end zone. In the three games Bigby missed, the team totaled three picks.
- The Packers have also held opponents under 80 yards rushing in each of the two games with Bigby in the lineup.
- Bigby's return also helps S **Nick Collins** play more in the back end, where coaches feel he is best utilized.
- Bigby is hoping to return to his form from 2007 when he came on strong towards the end of the season, collecting NFC Defensive Player of the Month honors for December. He finished that season third on the club in tackles (121) and led the team with five interceptions.
- Injuries derailed his 2008 campaign, limiting him to just seven games, including six starts.
- "It puts a lot of teeth in our defense," NT **Ryan Pickett** said of Bigby's return. "When we're missing someone like him, he's a major part of our defense. He's a great player playing the pass and the run. Just having him out there, having his personality and his attitude out on the field, we've missed it tremendously."
- Bigby's teammate in the secondary, CB **Charles Woodson**, echoed Pickett's sentiment. "It helps us out, because of course again he knows the defense, in and out. Just putting him back in this week, we haven't missed a beat as far as making checks, making calls. We can do everything with him in the game."
- Through two games, Bigby has seven tackles, an interception and two passes defended. Most importantly, the Packers have won both games.



ON THE ROAD AGAIN

This weekend Green Bay makes its third road trip of the season, a 550-plus mile trek to Cleveland.

- The Packers are 1-1 on the season in road games and have been able to stay above the .500 mark on the road during the tenure of Head Coach **Mike McCarthy**.
- In three-plus seasons, the team has a road record of 14-12 (.538). Only once under McCarthy has the team finished below .500 on the road, which was a 2-6 (.250) mark in 2008.
- Since 2006, 12 NFL teams have records over .500 on the road.

Team	W	L	T	Pct.
New England	21	5	0	.808
Indianapolis	20	7	0	.741
New York Giants	20	8	0	.714
Dallas	17	10	0	.630
Philadelphia	14	11	1	.558
Green Bay	14	12	0	.538
New Orleans	14	12	0	.538
San Diego	14	12	0	.538
Tennessee	15	13	0	.536
Carolina	14	13	0	.519
Chicago	14	13	0	.519
Denver	14	13	0	.519

THE SECOND QUARTER

The 16-game NFL schedule allows teams to break down their season into quarters, with the Packers now in their second.

- Opening up the second quarter of their season with a key division win was a good start for the Packers. The team had to sit on the Minnesota loss for two weeks with the bye, so following up the loss with a division win helps keep the Packers in good position in the NFC North.
- Next up, the Packers take a trip to Cleveland (1-5), the team's first visit to Cleveland since 1995. It is the only league city the Packers haven't traveled to in that span. The two teams met in the preseason opener, so the Packers played against both QBs Derek Anderson and Brady Quinn.
- Green Bay then hosts Minnesota (6-0) to complete the season series, a game that will receive much fanfare as Brett Favre makes his return to Lambeau Field in Week 8.
- The Packers have defeated the Vikings in four of the last five regular-season matchups at Lambeau Field.

► The team wraps up the second quarter of the season with a trip to Tampa to play the Buccaneers (0-6). Though Tampa Bay stands winless thus far, the Packers are unlikely to overlook the road trip given the team's 30-21 loss at Raymond James Stadium last season.

► Plus, the Packers have won only once in Tampa in their last seven attempts, that coming in 2003, when the Bucs were coming off their Super Bowl triumph.

MATTHEWS SHOWS KNACK FOR BIG PLAY

Rookie LB **Clay Matthews** has a ways to go before entering the stratosphere of his father's exceptional 19-year NFL playing career.

► But in the team's trip to Cleveland, Clay will play in a city he spent lots of time in as a youth, one where his dad was a legendary linebacker for the Browns.

► Drafted in the first round by the Browns in 1978, Clay Jr. played 16 of his 19 NFL seasons in Cleveland, earning four Pro Bowl berths during that time.

► Now entrenched as the starter at one of the outside linebacker spots, Clay enjoyed the best game of his rookie season thus far against the Lions, collecting a career-high two sacks.

- In his first career start against the Vikings, just his fourth professional contest, he accomplished something it took his dad nine-plus seasons to cross off his own checklist.

► Matthews' second-quarter strip of All-Pro running back Adrian Peterson and subsequent 42-yard sprint to the end zone marked the first touchdown of his young career.

► The elder Matthews didn't find the end zone until his 127th pro game, when he returned an interception 26 yards for a touchdown on Sept. 20, 1987, in a win over the rival Pittsburgh Steelers.

► Matthews saw his most action from scrimmage against Detroit, and through five games is filling up the stat sheet. To go along with 13 tackles, he ranks second among NFL rookies with three sacks. He also has three passes defended and a forced fumble and recovery for a touchdown. What's more, he has been a staple on the special-teams units.

► According to the Elias Sports Bureau, Matthews' touchdown in Minnesota made him the sixth player in the NFL this season whose father has also scored in a league game. A look at the names on the list:

Father

Clay Matthews Jr.
Danny Bradley
Marion Barber
Kellen Winslow
Stan Edwards

Son

Clay Matthews III
Mark Bradley
Marion and Dominique Barber
Kellen Winslow II
Braylon Edwards

MIKE McCARTHY TRANSCRIPT

EXCERPTS FROM THE COACH – MONDAY, OCT. 19

OK, I'll start with the injuries from the game. Jordy Nelson had a knee sprain. It may be a couple weeks for Jordy. Chad Clifton, the ankle sprain. They feel it's not as bad as the original injury. And B.J. Raji also had an ankle sprain. He'll probably be limited a little bit this week in practice.

► **(Is it the same ankle with Raji, just an aggravation?)**

Correct. Same injury.

► **(Any hope for Clifton this week?)**

They don't know. They're not sure. I don't think he'll practice Wednesday, but if he can go at the end of the week, we'll give him a chance.

► **(What do you like about T.J. in that spot as opposed to Daryn sliding over?)**

I would probably say he'd have a hard chance of playing this week based on what the medical staff thinks.

► **(How has Barbre performed since the Chicago game?)**

I think it helps us on a number of fronts. Number one, just from an individual standpoint, T.J. has gone in there and played well. When he had the opportunity to play in Minnesota, that's a difficult situation to go into a big game like that on the road, Monday Night Football and the team's behind, you're in a 2-minute drill and you're pass-blocking a damn good pass rusher. I was very pleased with what I saw in Minnesota, and he stepped in there yesterday and played well. So he's responded very well, and I think every time he gets an opportunity to practice one position for the whole week it's only going to help him. He's aggressive. You see the things that he's coached to do on film. I thought he played very fundamentally sound in his time in there yesterday. I think he had about 16, 17 snaps.

► **(What did it come down to with Spitz yesterday?)**

Jason has low back spasms. He was responding during the course of the week, and it just got to the point where he didn't think he'd be able to make it through the game. It's communication like that that you appreciate, because every player wants to play. But the ability to go with seven offensive linemen as opposed to going with eight offensive linemen, that's what we were looking at all the way up to Sunday at 10:30, and the fact that we didn't feel he could potentially make it through the game is why we made the decision. But he's still having some discomfort with his lower back.

► **(What will it take to rid yourselves of the penalties?)**

Well, penalties are unfortunately part of the game. Nobody is happy about it. More importantly, I'm not happy about it. You work on it, you address every single one, you look at the film. Trust me, it's addressed, but it is part of the game. There are some judgment calls in some of these penalties. The pre-snap penalties I have no time for. They're totally unacceptable. I don't care who you are, what time of the game or so forth. You cannot play like that. Those are the things that we have in our system and the way we address them and so forth. But some of these judgment calls, you continue to work on it. We do an excellent job I feel as far as the training and education of the players on the rules and so forth, but the number was definitely way too high yesterday. No doubt about it.

► **(Do you think the penalties and sloppy play reflect poorly on you and your staff?)**

I think anytime you have to come into this room or when you play a game and you have to sit here and talk about the one negative of the game, I don't think it reflects positively on what's going on. But it is part of our business and the way it's evaluated. I can trust in everybody involved, it's something that we're trying to improve on. They're very well-coached, they're very coachable players. I think they definitely try to play within the rules, and that's the way we go about it.

► **(What grade did you give the running game? Did the running back get all the yards he could have or was there more out there for him?)**

That's a little bit of a loaded question. You always want to get more

yards, and I'm sure Ryan Grant and Brandon would jump up here and say the same thing. I thought we ran the ball very well in the four-minute. I felt early in the game with the way they were playing us defensively, we went a different direction for matchup reasons. But I thought the run game was productive. Is there room for improvement? Absolutely. You're always looking to improve. But I thought when we put our foot down to run the football, I thought we ran it very well.

► **(How comfortable are you with James Jones, now that you'll need him more extensively with Jordy out?)**

James Jones? Absolutely. The only real negative James ever had was the injury last year. He's been playing about 30 plays a game, and had some opportunities yesterday, and he definitely cashed in on them. I thought both his receptions, one for a touchdown and the other was for a first down. He's even trying to play a little more on special teams. I think James is improving and we have all the confidence in the world in James.

► **(Are there any common threads on the three sacks you gave up in the red zone?)**

Our biggest issue yesterday in the sack area was just communication. We had some protection adjustments that the communication in the protection unit was not intact. They are not supposed to run through our 'A' gap and sack the quarterback, which has been different from what we have done in the prior weeks where I actually felt the pass protection was very good yesterday as far as the time Aaron had and the rhythm and the time clock that he was able to play into. We have actually handled pressure defense very well, but we made some mistakes in that area yesterday.

► **(What are you thinking with Tauscher? Would you like to rotate him in a little this week?)**

I just had a chance to talk to the medical staff before coming in here. They feel Mark is going to need at least another week to get ready. That was the consensus coming off of last week's work. At what point we put him in the team periods, that's really going to be their decision and obviously the communication from Mark will play a big part in that. He's got a body of work that he has to go through this week, so I don't think we're ready for that yet.

► **(If Clay Matthews plays like he did yesterday, how does that change your defense?)**

I was very pleased with Clay and really the whole defense. I think we had 100 percent across the board as far as winning performances, and Clay was obviously one of the players that had a lot of productivity. I thought as a defense we clearly played the most sound game plan all season, and that's what you are looking for. Because when everything is in tune like that and everybody is where they are supposed to be and doing the things they are supposed to and it's clean like that, it gives you the opportunity for a lot of productivity. I thought Clay had an excellent day from an individual standpoint, but a big part of it was just the way it was all tied together. Anytime you shut out an opponent, that says a lot in the National Football League, so I thought our defense had a big day yesterday.

► **(You've mentioned the game balls before. Who got them this week?)**

Offense will be Donald Driver, defense was Clay Matthews and Al Harris, special teams was Derrick Martin, and then we had the big hit award will be Brett Swain.

► **(Do you anticipate Ted making any moves before the trading deadline?)**

I don't know. We really haven't talked about anything, but I know they are always talking and working players out and so forth. They are always very active. It's a year-round process. We're always looking to get better.



PACKERS TEAM NOTES

SOPHOMORE SEASON A BREAKOUT FOR FINLEY

TE **Jermichael Finley** was a unanimous choice as the Packers' "breakout performer" in 2009 by the prognosticators.

- ▶ Thus far, the second-year man seems to be delivering, as his 15.3-yards per catch average ranks third among NFL tight ends.
- ▶ Through the season's first five games, he has become a clear favorite of QB **Aaron Rodgers**, ranking third on the team in receiving yards (244) and tied for third in receptions (16).
- ▶ Finley's coming-out party came in Week 4 at Minnesota in front of the largest television audience in cable history as he established new career highs in receptions (six) and receiving yards (128). His 62-yard touchdown is the Packers' longest play from scrimmage on the season and the longest reception by a Green Bay tight end since Jackie Harris caught a 66-yard scoring pass against Denver on Oct. 10, 1993.
- ▶ Finley's day also stands tied for the most productive day by a tight end in team history. His 128 yards matched Harris' output from that Broncos contest, tying the franchise high for most receiving yards by a tight end.
- ▶ There's no doubting Finley's athleticism, as he uses his size advantage (6-5, 247) when split wide against a cornerback or his speed when matched up over the middle against a linebacker.
- ▶ As a high school standout, he had committed to play both basketball and football at Arizona before giving his pledge to Mack Brown to play tight end at Texas.
- ▶ Finley entered the 2008 NFL Draft after his redshirt sophomore season, so he'd just be in his senior season at Texas. At 22, he's one of the team's youngest players.



AROUND THE 'BLACK AND BLUE' DIVISION

At 3-2, Green Bay stands tied with Chicago (3-2) for the second-best mark in the NFC North but leads the head-to-head matchup by virtue of its Week 1 victory over the Bears at Lambeau Field.

- ▶ Its victory over the Lions gave Green Bay a 2-1 mark halfway through the division slate. Matchups at home against Minnesota (Week 8), in Detroit (Week 12) and in Chicago (Week 14) still remain.
- ▶ Minnesota, off to a 6-0 start, travels to defending Super Bowl champion Pittsburgh this weekend. After visiting Lambeau Field the following week, it will have a Week 9 bye.
- ▶ The defending division champion Vikings broke a string last season of seven straight years when either the Packers or Bears won the NFC North/Central. This year, Minnesota is working against history again, trying to become the first team other than Chicago or Green Bay to win back-to-back division crowns in three decades. The Vikings were the last to do it, in the 1977-78 seasons, which concluded a string of six straight division championships for Minnesota in the Bud Grant era.
- ▶ Chicago, coming off a 21-14 loss in Atlanta, now faces another road game at 4-2 Cincinnati.
- ▶ Detroit, in its bye week, will be idle.
- ▶ Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** has always stressed the importance of division play. Through the first six weeks of the '09 season, the Packers own the best division mark over the three-plus seasons of McCarthy's tenure at 15-6. The Packers are trailed by Chicago (13-7) and then Minnesota (11-9) over that period.

ALL IN THE FAMILY

When Packers LB **A.J. Hawk** takes the field Sunday, there's a chance he could be forced to chase around his brother-in-law, Browns QB Brady Quinn. Hawk married Quinn's sister, Laura.

- ▶ Though the two squared off in the preseason, this could mark the first time the two have played against one another in a regular-season game.
- ▶ Hawk did face Quinn in his last collegiate game at Ohio State, when his Buckeyes squared off against Notre Dame in the 2006 Fiesta Bowl. Hawk's 12 tackles, including a pair of sacks of his future brother-in-law, helped lead Ohio State to victory.
- ▶ A Centerville, Ohio, native, Hawk is just one of a handful of players with ties to the Buckeye state. Other Ohio natives include CB **Brandon Underwood** (Hamilton), CB **Charles Woodson** (Fremont) and RB **DeShawn Wynn** (Cincinnati).

▶ Other Ohio natives include defensive coordinator **Dom Capers** (Buffalo) and defensive line coach **Mike Trgovac** (Austintown).

WINNING WAYS AFTER THE BYE

With the victory over Detroit, the Packers have now won three of the four contests after the bye week under McCarthy.

- ▶ Dating back further, the team has now won 10 of its last 14 games following the bye week.
- ▶ Green Bay finished a disappointing 2-7 (.222) after the bye week in 2008, a stark contrast to the previous two seasons under McCarthy.
- ▶ In 2007, the team finished 8-2 (.800) after the bye, which helped wrap up a first-round playoff bye. In McCarthy's first season, the team was 7-4 (.636)

after the week off.

- ▶ Since 2000, the Packers over the balance of their season after the bye are a combined 54-33 (.621).

THE RETURN GAME

With the season-ending knee injury to CB **Will Blackmon**, WR **Jordy Nelson** figured to become the team's primary returner on both kickoffs and punts.

- ▶ Sunday against the Lions, Nelson suffered a knee sprain on a punt return and figures to miss at least a couple of weeks.
- ▶ In his absence, CB **Tramon Williams** took the first punt return for 45 yards, the team's longest return on punts this season.
- ▶ With the windy conditions at Lambeau Field, the team opted to put CB **Charles Woodson** back on punt returns.
- ▶ Another option is WR **Brett Swain**, who has handled kickoff and punt returns each of the last two preseasons.
- ▶ Though placing Woodson back on punt returns poses a risk to one of the team's best players, he does have ample experience, serving as the team's punt returner from 2006-07. For his career, he has 86 punt returns, including 74 with the Packers, and a solid 8.2-yard average.
- ▶ Williams has the most experience in kickoff returns, with 30 in 2007. A 22.8-yard average for his career, his long is 65 yards.
- ▶ Williams' punt return against the Lions was the seventh of his career. Coupled with his 45-yard return Sunday, Williams' 94-yard return for a score in '07 against Carolina shows he has a knack for finding the lane to the open field on punt returns.

PACKERS TEAM NOTES

MEET THE NEWCOMERS

Of the current 53-man roster, there are only a few new faces in the Packers' locker room. Ten players are new to the team this year, while 43 return.

- ▶ The rookie draft class, seven of whom made the opening-day roster, are led by first-round picks NT **B.J. Raji** and LB **Clay Matthews**. Raji made his professional debut in Week 3 after missing the first two weeks with an ankle sprain. He has played both the nose tackle and end positions. Matthews began the season as a backup but has now worked his way into a starting role. In his first start with the "base" defense against the Lions, Matthews registered a career high with two sacks.
- ▶ Sixth-round pick DE **Jarius Wynn** has seen action in four games on special teams and provided depth along the defensive line, while sixth-round pick CB **Brandon Underwood** made his professional debut against the Lions. LB **Brad Jones** also made his professional debut in Week 3 and has been a valuable member of the coverage units, collecting six special teams stops.
- ▶ Rookies on offense include fourth-round pick G/T **T.J. Lang**, fifth-round choice FB **Quinn Johnson** and non-drafted free agent G/C **Evan Dietrich-Smith**. Lang and Dietrich-Smith both showed the ability to play multiple positions along the line, while Johnson packs a punch clearing holes for running backs. Lang saw action at left tackle in spot duty and has played well, prompting the possibility that he could get the start there should Clifton be unable to go in Cleveland.
- ▶ The only other newcomers to the 2009 team are in the secondary with S **Derrick Martin**, who was acquired in a trade with Baltimore on the roster cutdown day, and S **Matt Giordano**, who joined prior to Week 3. Martin arrived with a familiarity with the 3-4 defense and a reputation as a solid special-teams player. Martin saw considerable action from scrimmage against the Rams and Vikings given the injury to S **Atari Bigby**. Martin has made an early impact on special teams, where he has six stops.
- ▶ Giordano, who played four seasons and won a Super Bowl ring with the Colts, tallied two special teams stops in his Packers debut at St. Louis.

STARTING FAST

Mike McCarthy, like all NFL coaches, stresses the importance of getting out to a quick start in the early portions of the 2009 schedule in order to springboard the team to greater successes.

- ▶ This offseason, one of the main goals was an added emphasis on starting fast – literally – in the first quarter through an increased tempo at the line of scrimmage and ultimately more point production.
- ▶ The Packers produced a total of 13 points (one TD, two FGs) on their first offensive possessions a year ago, second fewest among all NFL teams (Detroit, 10). Despite ranking No. 5 in total scoring (419 points) in 2008, the Packers produced their lowest output (61 points) in the first quarter. That total ranked tied for 20th.
- ▶ That emphasis appeared to be paying off in the preseason, as QB **Aaron Rodgers** led an offense that scored touchdowns on nine of 13 possessions as he registered an NFL-best 147.9 quarterback rating.
- ▶ Not to be outdone, the defense finished its preseason action with 13 takeaways (eight interceptions, five fumbles) and 12 sacks.
- ▶ With the third preseason game being as close to a dress rehearsal as

there is in the NFL, Green Bay's starters stormed out of the gates in a road contest against defending NFC champion Arizona, building a 38-10 halftime advantage. All told, Green Bay's starters outscored opponents 76-13 in just over six quarters of play.

- ▶ Thus far, only the defense seems to be translating to the regular season. Nine of its 13 takeaways have come in the first half, while it has allowed just 14 first-quarter points.
- ▶ Thanks to opportunities created in part by their ball-hawking defense, the Packers have scored 91 first-half points, including 44 in the first quarter.
- ▶ Against Detroit, the offense scored a touchdown on its first possession of the game, it's first time finding the end zone on the game's opening drive at Lambeau Field since the 2007 regular-season finale, also against Detroit. Last year, its lone touchdown on their opening drive came at Tampa.

STATE OF THE O-LINE

Playing the Minnesota Vikings at the Metrodome is about as difficult a challenge as there is for an offensive line in the National Football League.



▶ Against a talented defensive line that features three Pro Bowl players and a solid linebacking corps, the Packers allowed eight sacks against their division rivals.

▶ But while every unit has a bad game over the course of a 16-game season, the pass protection has been a consistent problem through the team's first five games. In total, the Packers have allowed a league-high 25 sacks.

▶ Coaches have acknowledged that the problem does not fall

entirely on the offensive line, as pass protection takes a combination of players, especially with communication of calls.

- ▶ Injuries have also plagued the unit so far, including T **Chad Clifton** re-injuring his ankle. The starter at center, **Jason Spitz**, missed the Detroit game with back spasms.
- ▶ The team has veteran C **Scott Wells** to fill in at center, a position he has started for the past three seasons. Likewise, it has been impressed with rookie G/T **T.J. Lang**, who could get the call at left tackle against the Browns. On the right side, the team has gone with G **Josh Sitton** and T **Allen Barbre** in the first five games.
- ▶ Though the team signed T **Mark Tauscher** last week, the starter each of the last nine seasons at right tackle, Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** made it clear that the veteran is still probably a week or two away from competing from playing time at the position.
- ▶ "I just had a chance to talk to the medical staff, (and) they feel Mark is going to need at least another week to get ready," McCarthy said. "That was the consensus coming off of last week's work. At what point we put him in the team periods, that's really going to be their decision and obviously the communication from Mark will play a big part in that. He's got a body of work that he has to go through this week, so I don't think we're ready for that yet."
- ▶ Through six games, Cleveland has collected 12 sacks. LB Kameron Wimbley leads the team with four sacks and will be going up against Barbre on the right side. The Browns did not collect a sack against the Packers in preseason action this summer.



PACKERS TEAM NOTES

WOODSON AND JENKINS PERFORMING AT ELITE LEVEL

It's hard to imagine getting off to a better start than two veteran leaders of the defense: DE **Cullen Jenkins** and CB **Charles Woodson**.

- ▶ Jenkins, who played both inside and outside in the old scheme, seems to be thriving in his new position at end in the 3-4. Thus far, Jenkins has 16 tackles, including four for loss, and leads all defensive linemen in sacks (2.0) and leads the team in forced fumbles (2). Against Detroit, Jenkins recorded his first NFL interception, sniffing out a screen pass to RB Kevin Smith. Jenkins said after the game it was his first interception since high school, though his one as a schoolboy was called back because of a penalty.
- ▶ Certainly the loss of Jenkins to a season-ending pectoral injury had a lot to do with the defensive struggles that plagued the team toward the end of 2008. Stout enough to hold the point against the run and adeptly quick at getting past linemen in pass-rush scenarios, it's no doubt Jenkins is one of the most talented players on the defensive side of the ball.
- ▶ Perhaps it just runs in the family, as older brother Kris is a four-time Pro Bowler and two-time All-Pro currently playing for the New York Jets.
- ▶ Woodson, who has also had to make an adjustment from playing man-to-man style to one that involves more reading of the quarterback, also is thriving in the new scheme.
- ▶ Matched up against TE Greg Olsen in Week 1, Woodson limited one of Chicago's biggest offensive threats to just one catch for eight yards.
- ▶ In Week 2 against the Bengals, Woodson recorded his fourth career multi-interception game, his third since coming to Green Bay in 2006.
- ▶ He raced one of the interceptions 37 yards for a touchdown, his fifth interception return for a score since coming to Green Bay. That number ties him with No. 2 Bobby Dillon and Darren Sharper on the team's all-time list. Another interception against the Rams in Week 3 gave him three on the season, which leads the team.
- ▶ Woodson has been credited with 30 tackles through five games, a pace which would have him surpass 90 before season's end. His career high in tackles is 79, which he recorded two different times, first in Oakland in 2000 and last season with Green Bay.
- ▶ The folks in the league office noticed how fast Woodson came out of the gate too, naming him the NFC Defensive Player of the Month for September. It was the second such award of his career.
- ▶ There's no doubt Woodson's career has been revitalized since coming to Green Bay in 2006. Thanks to the ability of those around him, CB **Al Harris** and CB **Tramon Williams** among others, opposing quarterbacks can no longer decide to ignore throwing the ball in Woodson's direction.
- ▶ Woodson now has 39 career interceptions, fifth among active NFL players. For his career, 22 have come in Green and Gold. Those 22 interceptions have come in 51 games with the Packers. In 106 games with the Oakland Raiders, he had 17.



a dive against St. Louis, though the ball was ruled a fumble because of a strip by LB **Aaron Kampman**.

- ▶ That play came just minutes after Jolly blocked a field-goal attempt on the Rams' opening drive. It was the second of his career.
- ▶ It had been awhile since a Packers player recorded an interception, fumble recovery and blocked kick in the same season. That was CB **Doug Evans** in 1993.
- ▶ Jolly's athleticism isn't new to his teammates. To a man, they all credit him with being one of the best basketball players on the team.
- ▶ With Jenkins' interception against the Lions, the duo becomes the first pair of Packers defensive linemen to record interceptions since 2002, when Kabeer Gbaja-Biamilia and Vonnie Holliday accomplished the feat.

TAKEAWAYS A PLUS

While many football statistics don't have far-reaching implications through the season's first four games, turnover ratio is always a telling statistic.

- ▶ The Packers, with 13 takeaways, rank third among all NFL teams in takeaways. Only New Orleans (15) and Philadelphia (14) have recorded more so far.
- ▶ Thanks also in part to an offense that has turned the ball over just five times, Green Bay's plus-eight turnover ratio is tied with Minnesota and New England for the league's second-best mark. New Orleans leads the NFL at plus-nine.
- ▶ Of the Packers' takeaways, 10 have come via the interception, tied with Buffalo for the second-highest total. New Orleans and Philadelphia both have 11. The Packers also have three fumble recoveries.
- ▶ Of the Packers' turnovers, two have come on interceptions and three have come on fumbles. All five have come in the passing game. Two of the fumbles lost have come on sacks of QB **Aaron Rodgers**, while another came on a screen pass to RB **Ryan Grant**.
- ▶ Every single Packers practice, be it during OTAs, training camp or the regular season, has a period devoted to ball security.
- ▶ Headed by assistant head coach/inside linebackers **Winston Moss**, the drill has offensive skill players carry the ball while two defenders (linebackers and defensive backs) try to strip the ball. Once free, the offensive player then must run through a gauntlet of offensive and defensive linemen attempting to strip the ball loose.
- ▶ The drill puts an emphasis on ball security to offensive players. For defensive players, the drill keeps the focus on stripping the ball from opposing players.
- ▶ The team has four forced fumbles on the year, three of which it has recovered.
- ▶ While the Packers can be proud of their place among the top teams in the league in turnover margin at plus-seven, the statistic isn't always as telling as some may portend it to be.
- ▶ Green Bay finished with a plus-seven margin a year ago, No. 6 among all teams and the franchise's best mark since 2002 (+17).

JOLLY RECORDS RARE TRIFECTA

Just five games into the season, DE **Johnny Jolly** has filled up the stat sheet in a number of categories.

- ▶ Making the transition from an inside tackle in the old scheme to an end this season, Jolly leads all defensive linemen with 27 tackles.
- ▶ Displaying rare athleticism for a 6-foot-3, 320-pound man, he made a highlight-reel one-handed interception in the red zone against Jay Cutler and the Bears in Week 1. Jolly also plucked another ball out of the air on

PACKERS NOTES - OFFENSE

RECORDS KEEP FALLING FOR DRIVER

Already the owner of a number of franchise receiving records, WR **Donald Driver** became the franchise's all-time leader in receptions against the Lions and moved closer to a few others.

- ▶ Driver (8,384 career receiving yards) has surpassed Don Hutson (7,991) and Sterling Sharpe (8,134) this season to move into second place on the franchise's all-time receiving yards list. He will still have a ways to go to match No. 1 James Lofton (9,656).
- ▶ Proving he has been one of the most consistent receivers in the decade, Driver recorded his fifth consecutive, and sixth overall, 1,000-yard campaign last year. Both are franchise records.
- ▶ He also recorded at least 50 catches for the seventh consecutive season, tying a franchise mark. He is on pace to eclipse both marks (50 catches, 1,000 yards) again this season.
- ▶ Driver and Indianapolis' Reggie Wayne are the only receivers with 1,000-yard seasons in each of the last five years (2004-08). A look at the NFL's most productive receivers over that span:

Player	Yards	Receptions
Reggie Wayne, IND	6,230	432
Chad Ochocinco, CIN	6,055	425
Larry Fitzgerald, ARI	5,975	426
Torry Holt, JAX	5,876	446
Donald Driver, GB	5,784	418

FIRST YEAR UNDER CENTER

Quarterback **Aaron Rodgers** isn't one to talk about stats or milestones, but he exceeded nearly all expectations in his first season under center.

- ▶ He finished the season with 4,038 passing yards, becoming only the second quarterback in NFL history to surpass 4,000 yards in the same season in which he made his first career start. Kurt Warner (4,353) was the first to accomplish the feat in 1999.
- ▶ Rodgers is the fourth player in club history to surpass the 4,000-yard mark, joining Lynn Dickey (1), Brett Favre (5) and Don Majkowski (1).
- ▶ Four times Rodgers went over 300 yards passing in 2008. He also tossed three touchdown passes in four games.
- ▶ Rodgers' 28 touchdown passes were tops among first-year starters and marked the first time since Daunte Culpepper (33) in 2000 that a first-year starter threw for 25-plus touchdowns.
- ▶ The California product took care of the ball as well, throwing 13 interceptions in 536 attempts, 2.42% of his throws. It was the lowest percentage by a Packers quarterback in over a decade (Favre, 1996, 2.39%).
- ▶ And perhaps most importantly in Green Bay, Rodgers started all 16 games in 2008, fighting through a serious shoulder injury suffered in Week 4 at Tampa that kept him out of practice for one month.
- ▶ Proving he is among the NFL's top quarterbacks will take years of consistent play, but there is no doubt the 25-year-old Rodgers is off to a great start. A look at where his 2008 totals ranked in the NFL:

Statistic	2008 total	NFL Rank
Passing Yards	4,038	4
Completions	341	7
Completion %	65.6	10
Touchdowns	28	4
QB Rating	93.8	6
20-plus yd. completions	48	5T
40-plus yd. completions	16	1T
Third-down QB rating	105.8	3
First downs passing	182	9T

COLLEDGE, SPITZ IRONMEN UP FRONT

Good friends off the field, G **Daryn Colledge** and C **Jason Spitz** have made measurable progress in their development on it over the course of their first three seasons in the league.

- ▶ Both players were on the field for every offensive snap in 2008, with Colledge being featured predominantly at left guard and Spitz seeing time at both the center and right guard positions. They were the only two on the club to participate in every play on their side of the ball. CB **Charles Woodson** led all defenders with a 97.5% participation rate.
- ▶ Most impressive was that over the course of those 1,049 plays, the two linemen combined were penalized a total of two times for holding.
- ▶ Colledge was flagged against Dallas (Sept. 21) and later at Minnesota (Nov. 9), while Spitz, a powerful technician, survived the season with a clean sheet in the holding department after being called for four in 2007.
- ▶ Spitz was flagged for holding in the season-opening victory over Chicago, snapping his current streak. His last holding penalty came in the 2007 Week 14 contest against Oakland.
- ▶ While Spitz has one penalty on the season, Colledge still has a clean slate. The stat becomes all the more impressive when you consider each has switched positions in practice and games this season.

FINLEY AND LEE FORM 1-2 COMBO

Every preseason, a number of emerging young players or surprising rookies jump out immediately when game action begins.

- ▶ On the offensive side of the ball, it was hard to ignore the emergence of second-year TE **Jermichael Finley**. His team-high nine receptions in the preseason showcased his ability to separate from linebackers and safeties and his abilities in the open field.
- ▶ "He's definitely a weapon for us," McCarthy said. "We felt that last year, just the way we were able to utilize Jermichael the last couple games of the season, and now he's able to do the full gamut. He's another young player that looks like he's ready to take off."
- ▶ Finley entered the draft after his redshirt sophomore season with the Longhorns, meaning he was just 21 years old his entire rookie season. Whether it be his highlight-reel catches or vastly improved blocking, Finley is a prime example of a young player who is ready to take the leap after spending an entire offseason in the NFL.
- ▶ The emergence of Finley has only pushed TE **Donald Lee's** game, giving the Packers solid depth at the position. Both rank tied for third on the team with 16 catches each.
- ▶ Lee, the unit's primary starter each of the last two seasons, might be one of the more unheralded players at the position across the NFL. His numbers in 2007-08 (87 catches, 878 yards, 11 touchdowns) prove as much.

COACH LOCATIONS

- ▶ **Coaches' Box:** Dom Capers (defensive coordinator), Jerry Fontenot (asst. offensive line), Scott McCurley (defensive quality control), Chad Morton (administrator), Joe Philbin (offensive coordinator), John Rushing (offensive quality control), and Joe Whitt (secondary - cornerbacks).
- ▶ **Sideline:** Edgar Bennett (running backs), James Campen (offensive line), Tom Clements (quarterbacks), Mike Eayrs (research and development), Curtis Fuller (special teams asst.), Kevin Greene (outside linebackers), Ben McAdoo (tight ends), Winston Moss (inside linebackers/asst. head coach), Darren Perry (secondary - safeties), Jimmy Robinson (wide receivers), Shawn Slocum (special teams coordinator) and Mike Trgovac (defensive line).



PACKERS NOTES - OFFENSE

JENNINGS AMONG GAME'S MOST DANGEROUS

After a breakout season in 2008 and a long-term contract extension in the offseason, WR **Greg Jennings** started the season with a bang with another 100-yard effort and the game-winning TD catch in Week 1.

- ▶ He is already one of the top "big-play" receivers in the league, something he has proven in each of his first three seasons.
- ▶ Jennings established career highs last season in catches (80) and receiving yards (1,292), finishing sixth among all players in yardage.
- ▶ Jennings' 21 catches of 20 yards-or-more tied for second in the NFL behind Carolina's Steve Smith (23). Detroit's Calvin Johnson also had 21 catches of 20-plus yards.
- ▶ On even longer receptions, Jennings begins to break away from the field. He led all players in 2008 with eight catches of 40-plus yards.
- ▶ Of his 25 career touchdown catches, 11 have been at least 40 yards in length. He has a staggering average of 32.0 yards per TD catch.
- ▶ Over the past two seasons, no one has been as productive a deep threat as Jennings. A look at the numbers across the NFL from 2007-08:



Player	40-plus-yard catches	40-plus-yard TDs
Greg Jennings, GB	15	8
Randy Moss, NE	12	8
Terrell Owens, BUF	12	8
Donald Driver, GB	10	2
Steve Smith, CAR	10	5

TOP 10 AGAIN

For an offense that has registered over 400 yards in each of its last three games, the unit is back among the NFL's top 10 offenses, a familiar place under play caller and Head Coach **Mike McCarthy**.

- ▶ For the third consecutive season in 2008, the unit finished among the NFL's top 10. Philadelphia and New Orleans are the only other teams to finish in the top 10 in offense each of the last three seasons.
- ▶ Even with a new starting quarterback in 2008, the Packers finished No. 8 overall with an average of 351.1 yards per contest.
- ▶ The unit finished No. 2 in 2007 (370.7 yards per game) and No. 9 in 2006 (341.1) under McCarthy.
- ▶ McCarthy spent six seasons as an offensive coordinator and play caller prior to his arrival in Green Bay (New Orleans 2000-04, San Francisco 2005). Twice the Saints ranked among the NFL's top-10 offenses.

HIT THE GROUND RUNNING

Looking at RB **Ryan Grant**'s numbers from 2008, it'd be hard to think the third-year back is hoping for bigger and better in '09.

- ▶ Grant became just the fourth running back in team history to surpass the 1,200-yard mark, as his total (1,203) in 2008 was the seventh-best single-season rushing total in franchise history.
- ▶ Though it didn't cause him to miss any playing time, Grant suffered a hamstring injury during training camp last year, and it clearly had an effect on his early-season performance.
- ▶ Having emerged from 2009 training camp fresh and healthy, Grant hopes to pick up where he left off in 2008 when he recorded 100-yard performances in three of his final seven contests.
- ▶ Statistics from 2008 show how pivotal the success in the run game was to the Packers' overall success. Interestingly, the team performed much better on the ground at home than it did on the road. While deficits and

game-planning may factor in to how much a team commits to the run, carries at home versus on the road were nearly identical.

- ▶ Five times a Green Bay running back surpassed 100 yards in a game in 2008 (four by Grant, one by **DeShawn Wynn**). All five 100-yard efforts came at Lambeau Field. The Packers were 3-1 in games in which a running back recorded 100 yards or more.
- ▶ Green Bay lost all five contests last season in which it failed to eclipse the 100-yard rushing mark as a team. One of those came at Lambeau Field (vs. Dallas), while the rest came on the road (at Tampa, at Minnesota, at Jacksonville, at Chicago).
- ▶ Green Bay's four best single-game rushing totals in '08 (vs. Det., vs. Chi., vs. Car., vs. Min.) all came at home. The team was 3-1 in those games.
- ▶ The team had nearly an equal amount of carries at home as it did on the road, but the production on the road was more than 400 yards less than at Lambeau Field. Perhaps most glaring is that the team nearly averaged two more yards per carry at home than on the road.

In 2008	Home	Away
Attempts	220	217
Attempts/Game	27.50	27.13
Rushing Yards	1,107	698
Yards/Game	138.38	87.25
Yards/Attempt	5.03	3.22

PACKERS IN WEEKLY 2009 TEAM RANKINGS



After Week...	NFL Offense			NFL Defense		
	Opp.	Total	Rush	Pass	Total	Rush
1	CHI	28	22	27	22	15T
2	CIN	28	23	25	19	18
3	at StL	22	18	18	19	23
4	at Min	13	22	12	15	17
5	(bye)	14	22	12T	18	20
6	DET	10	19	10	8	16
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12	at Det					
13	BAL					
14	at Chi					
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Packers in 2008		8	17	8	20	26
Packers in 2007		2	21	2	11	14
Packers in 2006		9	23	8	12	13
Packers in 2005		18	30	7	7	23
Packers in 2004		3	10	3	25	14
Packers in 2003		4	3	16	17	10
Packers in 2002		12	12	10	12	21
Packers in 2001		6	21	3	12	16
Packers in 2000		15	23	8	15	8
Packers in 1999		9	21	7	19	22
Packers in 1998		5	25	3	4	4
Packers in 1997		4	12	3	7	20
Packers in 1996		5	11	5	1	4
Packers in 1995		7	26	3	14	7
Packers in 1994		9	19	9	6	3
Packers in 1993		19	22	18	2	8
Packers in 1992		15	21	9	23	16

PACKERS NOTES - DEFENSE

STAFF CHANGES HEADLINE OFFSEASON

On the heels of a disappointing 6-10 season, a new defensive staff and scheme headlined the changes this offseason at 1265 Lombardi Ave.

- **Dom Capers** was brought in as defensive coordinator, and the Packers began the transition to a 3-4 scheme in offseason workouts.
- Joining Capers on the defensive staff are **Mike Trgovac** (defensive line), who spent the last six years in Carolina as defensive coordinator; outside linebackers coach **Kevin Greene**, third on the NFL's all-time sacks list and a former player under Capers; and safeties coach **Darren Perry**, who most recently coached in Oakland and also played under Capers in Pittsburgh. Assistant head coach/inside linebackers coach **Winston Moss** remains on the staff, as does **Joe Whitt Jr.**, who spent 2008 as defensive quality control before his promotion to cornerbacks coach this offseason.
- **Shawn Slocum** was promoted to special teams coordinator after serving as the unit's assistant each of the last three seasons. **Curtis Fuller**, a former Packers safety and training camp coaching intern, will serve as his assistant. New strength and conditioning coordinator **Dave Redding** is entering his 23rd season at the NFL level, while **Scott McCurley** (defense) and **John Rushing** (offense) will serve as the quality control coaches.



MORE ON DOM CAPERS

Charged with revamping the Packers' defense is veteran coach **Dom Capers**, who is in his 24th season on the NFL level in 2009, his 17th as a defensive coordinator or head coach.

- Noted around the league as one of the game's best defensive minds, Capers will transition the Packers to a 3-4 defense. Much of the depth chart on defense returns, including all 11 primary starters. The offseason was heavily focused on learning the new system, including position changes for some. None has received more attention than Pro Bowler **Aaron Kampman**, who makes the switch to playing upright at outside linebacker as opposed to having his hand on the ground at end.
- In addition to serving as the head coach of two different expansion franchises (Carolina and Houston), Capers brings an impressive résumé as a coordinator. Pittsburgh ranked No. 22 in overall defense in 1991, the year before Capers' arrival. The Steelers' defense rose up in the defensive rankings to 13th in 1992, Capers' first season as a defensive coordinator in the NFL. The unit rose to No. 3 in 1993 and No. 2 in 1994, earning the moniker "Blitzburgh" with one of the decade's most feared defenses.
- Capers' instant impact was also seen in his stint as defensive coordinator with Jacksonville (1999-00) and Miami (2006-07). Ranking 25th in overall defense in 1998, the Jaguars' unit rose immediately under Capers in '99 to No. 4 overall in addition to allowing the fewest points in the NFL. The Dolphins ranked No. 18 in overall defense in 2005 but rose to No. 4 in 2006 under Capers, with DE Jason Taylor earning Defensive Player of the Year honors that season as well.

PRO BOWL SECONDARY

While much is made of the transition to the 3-4 defense for the front seven, the secondary also undergoes a change from the man-to-man style it had been known for in the past.

- Now instead of playing bump-and-run, corners have to work in more space, while safeties now have more responsibility in making calls and checks at the line of scrimmage. Luckily for Capers and the Packers, the

team can rely on three Pro Bowl honorees from a year ago to help ease the transition in the defensive backfield. Tied for the NFL lead with seven interceptions, it seems the transition has happened quite seamlessly.

- You'd be hard-pressed to find a more productive cornerback duo than **Al Harris** and **Charles Woodson** across the NFL. Harris, named to the NFC Pro Bowl squad each of the last two years, is one of the most physical corners in the game. Woodson, who has lined up all over the field in Capers' defense, was named to his fifth career Pro Bowl in '08.
- Harris will most likely continue to match up against opponents' top receivers, while Woodson seems to do more pre-snap reads and adjustments. Having already established a career high with three sacks in 2008, Woodson may be poised to eclipse that number this season. In just one half of preseason play at Arizona, he had three forced fumbles and two sacks.
- **S Nick Collins** enjoyed a career season last year as he was named to his first Pro Bowl. Collins tied Woodson for the NFC lead with seven interceptions, three of which he returned for touchdowns. His 295 interception return yards led the NFL and established a new franchise record. A tough defender in run support as well, he finished second on the team with 99 tackles.
- **S Atari Bigby's** return gives the team more experience in the defensive backfield, but the team has also showed its 'Big Okie' formation. That has LB **Brandon Chillar** in a hybrid role and gives the team a fifth linebacker on the field

in obvious run downs.

IN THE LEAGUE RANKINGS, 2009



GREEN BAY (Team)

Category	NFC	NFL
Turnover Margin (+8)	2T	2T
Total Offense (359.6)	4	14
Rushing (101.2)	8	22
Passing (258.4)	4	12T
Total Defense (298.0)	4	18
vs. Rush (105.4)	8	20
vs. Pass (192.6)	5	17
Third-Down Offense (41.0%) . . .	5	12
Third-Down Defense (37.3%) . .	8	14
Red-Zone Offense (41.2%) . . .	13	25
Red-Zone Defense (69.2%) . . .	15	30

CLEVELAND (Team)

Category	AFC	NFL
Turnover Margin (-5)	14	28T
Total Offense (239.8)	15	31
Rushing (103.7)	11	18
Passing (136.2)	15	31
Total Defense (407.3)	16	32
vs. Rush (165.3)	15	30
vs. Pass (242.0)	12	23
Third-Down Offense (27.9%) . .	13	29
Third-Down Defense (38.4%) . .	12	21
Red-Zone Offense (30.8%) . . .	15	31
Red-Zone Defense (48.0%) . . .	7	12

GREEN BAY (Individual)

Category	NFC	NFL
Rushing: Grant (347)	9	18
Passing: Rodgers (104.1)	3	5
Receptions: Driver (25)	12T	30T
Rec. Yds.: Driver (395)	4	15
Sacks: Matthews (3.0)	16T	27T
Interceptions: Woodson (3) . . .	3T	3T

CLEVELAND (Individual)

Category	AFC	NFL
Rushing: Lewis (233)	15	32
Passing: Anderson (41.7)	16	36
Receptions: Massaquoi (16) . . .	40T	NR
Rec. Yds.: Massaquoi (278) . . .	24	44
Sacks: Wimbley (4.0)	6T	12T
Interceptions: Pool (2)	4T	10T



PACKERS NOTES - DEFENSE

THE TRANSITION TO OUTSIDE LINEBACKER

While a number of players are making drastic changes in the new defense, none has received the same attention as LB **Aaron Kampman**.

- A two-time Pro Bowl honoree at defensive end, Kampman worked all offseason under position coach **Kevin Greene**, who perfected the art of the pass rush from the outside linebacker position as a player. Kampman has two sacks and a forced fumble on the season and ranks third on the team in tackles.
- Veteran LB **Brady Poppinga** has started opposite Kampman but has recently given way to rookie LB **Clay Matthews**. Both played a form of rush end in college.
- Poppinga gives the team an experienced player in the second unit, as well as a proven player on special teams. Kampman is the lone player at the position who does not play special teams.
- Second-year pro **Jeremy Thompson**, like Kampman, is making the transition from end to linebacker in the new scheme. Likewise for rookie LB **Brad Jones**, who comes with some familiarity with the position, having played it at Colorado.
- Kampman did play linebacker in his first two seasons at Iowa before switching to the defensive line, so playing in space wasn't entirely new to the eighth-year pro. Surely the coaches will try to maximize his rush opportunities throughout the season, as he has been one of the most productive pass rushers across the league over the last three seasons:

Rank	Player, Team	Sacks (2006-08)
1	DeMarcus Ware, Dal. (LB)	45.5
2	Jared Allen, Min. (DE)	37.5
3	Aaron Kampman, GB (LB)	37.0
4	John Abraham, Atl. (DE)	30.5
5	Mario Williams, Hou. (DE)	30.5

TAKEAWAY POINTS KEY FOR PACKERS

Green Bay has continued to show its knack for the takeaways in the first five games with 10 interceptions and three fumble recoveries, which it has turned into 48 points. That total ranks fourth in the NFL, with only the Giants (58), Vikings (55) and Saints (52) having more. Both the Giants and Vikings have played six games compared to the Packers' six.

- Last season, the Green Bay defense led the NFL in defensive touchdowns (7) and interception returns for touchdowns (6).
- Green Bay (plus-seven) finished with the sixth-best turnover ratio in the NFL, its best finish under **Mike McCarthy**.
- Green Bay had 28 takeaways (22 interceptions, six fumble recoveries) on the season against 21 turnovers (13 interceptions, eight fumbles). The 21 turnovers tied the second-lowest total in franchise history.
- Thanks to an opportunistic defense, with its seven touchdowns, and an offense that was able to capitalize after an opponent's mistake, Green Bay led all NFL teams with 124 points off takeaways. Baltimore (123) finished just behind the Packers at No. 2.
- On the other sideline, the Packers surrendered 75 points off the 21 turnovers last year – 24 of which came at Tampa in Week 4. That point total off turnovers tied for 16th in the NFL.
- If the Packers don't commit a turnover, a case which happened in Week 3 against the Rams, they're almost guaranteed to win. A rarity occurred for the Packers last year at Minnesota: they lost a game in which they did not commit a turnover. They have now won 34 of 36 games playing

turnover-free football, since a loss at Dallas, Nov. 18, 1996. Green Bay's only losses in such games during that stretch both came at Minnesota, first in 2005 and again in 2008.

- Including playoffs, the Packers have won 37 of their last 39 games without a giveaway.

ANOTHER TEAM RECORD IN 2008 - RETURN YARDAGE

The Packers finished 2008 with an astounding 685 return yards on their 22 interceptions, tops in the NFL. That was over 200 yards better than the next closest team, Baltimore, which finished the year with 477 return yards on 26 interceptions.



► The 685 return yards set a new franchise record, but perhaps Green Bay is looking to challenge the mark again this year. It has tallied 192 return yards through five games.

► The 685 mark beat the previous franchise record established in 1943, when the team had 616 yards on 42 interceptions. In the modern era, the two previous highs were 561 return yards on 27 interceptions in 1965, and the following season when Green Bay had 547 return yards on 28 interceptions. The Packers won the NFL Championship both seasons.

► McCarthy has said his team's ability to make a play after an interception is something the team has repped after every turnover in practice since he arrived in 2006. Every offensive player, whether part of the 11 on the play or the group on the sidelines, attempts to catch the defender before he can advance up the field.

LINEBACKERS FORM EFFECTIVE ROTATION

With a wealth of talent at the inside linebacker position, coordinator **Dom Capers** and position coach **Winston Moss** have opted to go with a rotation of players depending upon the formation.

- **Nick Barnett** and **A.J. Hawk** are the starters in the base defense. A steady and reliable player, Hawk has topped 120 tackles in each of his three NFL seasons.
- For the seventh-year pro Barnett, it marks his return to action since Week 10 of 2008 when he tore his ACL at Minnesota. Coaches were careful with his reps as he worked his way back to full strength.
- Barnett looks to be back at full strength at this point, as he leads the team with 39 tackles. Barnett has led the team in tackles in four of his six overall seasons.
- **Brandon Chillar** was one of the recipients of a game ball for his performance on defense in Week 1, which included eight tackles and a highlight-reel sack in which he hurdled Bears RB Garrett Wolfe. He has also seen time on the field in the team's 'Big Okie' formation, which puts him as a fifth linebacker on the field to help defend against the run, as well as in the nickel package. Chillar ranks second on the team with 35 tackles and often covers tight ends on obvious passing downs, as he is known as one of the best defenders in pass coverage.
- **Desmond Bishop**, another talented player in the unit, makes his presence felt on special teams, where he leads the team with eight tackles. Bishop led the defense in tackles in the preseason.
- McCarthy has said he'd like to see if the team can find more opportunities for Bishop from scrimmage, which is exactly what the team has tried to do over the past few games. Against the Rams, he made his presence felt in the second-half action that he saw, recording four tackles, including one for loss.

GAME REVIEW - PACKERS 26, LIONS 0

EARLY PRODUCTION, STINGY DEFENSE KEY VICTORY

Green Bay's offense got off to a fast start on Sunday, scoring two touchdowns in the first eight minutes of the game, and the defense posted their first shutout in nearly two years as the Packers defeated the Detroit Lions 26-0.

► The win at Lambeau Field in front of 70,801 improved the Packers to 3-2 on the season and 2-1 in the division. Green Bay trails the NFC North-leading Vikings by 2½ games.

► "To win at home 26-0, it's a step to get back," Head Coach **Mike McCarthy** said. "It's been 13 days since we've played. I know our football team was excited to get out there today. I thought the crowd was outstanding, playing at home at noon. Once again, home wins and division wins are very important."

► Green Bay's offense started fast, posting the first opening-drive touchdown at home since the 2007 season finale, also against the Lions. Wide receiver **Greg Jennings** made a nice one-handed grab over the middle for 26 yards to convert a third down, and three plays later, quarterback **Aaron Rodgers** found wide receiver **James Jones** wide open down the right sideline at the Detroit 15. Jones made a nifty cutback move to elude safety Marquand Manuel at the 10, and took it in for the 47-yard score.

► Green Bay's defense put the offense back in scoring position right away. On the Lions' third offensive play, a third-and-15 at their own 25, linebacker **Aaron Kampman** pressured quarterback Daunte Culpepper, whose screen pass intended for running back Kevin Smith was intercepted by defensive end **Cullen Jenkins** at the Lions' 21.

► After picking up 11 yards on the first two plays, Green Bay was pushed back to the 21 because of an unnecessary roughness penalty on guard **Daryn Colledge**. Rodgers found tight end **Jermichael Finley** twice for 8-yard pickups, and then connected with fullback **John Kuhn** in the flat for a 1-yard score to put Green Bay up 14-0.

► Rodgers was sharp in the first half, connecting on 19-of-23 passes, including 12 straight in one stretch, for 221 yards and the two touchdowns. It was his career high for passing yards in the first half of a game, eclipsing his 210 at Detroit last season, and matched his career best for any half (221 in second half vs. Atlanta in 2008).

► But as productive as the offense was, it let opportunities slip away the rest of the game. It returned to the red zone two more times in the first half and four more times in the game, but was only able to come away with nine points on three field goals from **Mason Crosby**.

► In an all-too familiar theme thus far this season, both of those red-zone trips in the second quarter were affected by sacks, the first one a 9-yard loss on a second-and-3 from Detroit's 9, and the second a 5-yard loss on a second-and-8 at the Lions' 8. The Packers also had a first-and-goal from Detroit's 3 late in the third quarter that ended with a turnover, a sack/fumble by Rodgers forced by linebacker Julian Peterson to thwart another scoring chance.

► Rodgers went on to finish 29-of-37 for 358 yards, two touchdowns and one interception for a 113.7 rating. It gave him back-to-back games of 350 yards for the first time in his career, and his 78.4 completion percentage ranks second in team history for a quarterback with 35-plus attempts in a game, trailing only Brett Favre's 79.5 percentage set at Minnesota on Nov. 22, 1998, on 33-of-43 passing. He completed passes to nine different players, a season high.

► While the offense was having some trouble converting in the red zone, Green Bay's defense was preventing the Lions' offense from even get-

ting there for most of the game.

► Playing without two of their top offensive players, wide receiver Calvin Johnson and quarterback Matthew Stafford, the Lions were only able to muster 149 yards of offense against the Packers, the least amount of yardage allowed by a Green Bay defense since Dec. 21, 2006, when they limited Minnesota to just 104 total yards.

► The defense didn't allow a third-down conversion all afternoon, stopping the Lions on each of their 10 opportunities. Backup quarterback Daunte Culpepper completed just 6-of-14 passes for 48 yards before leaving the game in the second quarter with a hamstring injury, and third-stringer Drew Stanton didn't fare much better, connecting on just 5-of-11 attempts for 57 yards. The Packers also sacked the Lions' quarterbacks five times, a season-high. Running back Kevin Smith posted 61 yards on 15 carries, but take out two long runs of 19 and 20 yards, and he managed just 22 yards on the other 13 carries (1.7 avg.).

► "I think it was a great team effort by the defense," defensive end **Cullen Jenkins** said. "Everybody came in and it seemed like we were pretty assignment-sound out there. It's just a matter of everybody being on their spots on every play. Everybody trusted that everybody else would do what they were supposed to do, and nobody tried to make too much happen. I'd say it was just a great effort."

► Detroit's offense only threatened twice all afternoon. The first came at the end of the opening quarter when the Lions moved the ball to the 21 before facing a fourth-and-1. Culpepper's pitch to running back Kevin Smith was snuffed out by a pair of rookies, linebacker **Clay Matthews** and **B.J. Raji**, for a 1-yard loss.

► The Lions finally got inside the Green Bay 20 midway through the fourth quarter, but Stanton's third-down pass from the 10 was picked off by safety **Atari Bigby** in the middle of the end zone

to preserve the first Green Bay shutout since they blanked Minnesota, 34-0, on Nov. 11, 2007.



GAME NOTES

The Packers were penalized a season-high 13 times on Sunday for 130 yards, including six in the first quarter for 55 yards. Green Bay entered Sunday's game with 30 penalties, an average of 7.5 per game.

► Running back **Ryan Grant** rushed for 90 yards on 24 carries, but it took him a while to get going.

► Grant posted just 28 yards on 13 carries (2.2 avg.) in the first three quarters, including a long of 7, before rushing for 62 yards on 11 attempts (5.6 avg.) in the final stanza.

► With No. 1 return man **Will Blackmon** lost for the season with a knee injury, wide receiver **Jordy Nelson** assumed the top spot on both punt and kick returns this week in practice.

► But the Packers were forced to move down the depth chart even more after Nelson sustained a bruised knee on a punt return midway through the first quarter. Nelson muffed Nick Harris' 48-yard kick at the Green Bay 22, picked up the ball, but took a big hit to his legs from safety Marvin White. McCarthy said after the game that X-rays were negative, but the team decided to hold him.

► Cornerback **Tramon Williams**, who hasn't returned a punt since 2007, assumed the return duties, and came through in a big way in the second quarter. Williams returned the punt for 45 yards, helping set up a 28-yard Crosby field goal.



PACKERS TEAM NOTES

NFL'S YOUNGEST ROSTER ... AGAIN

Based upon analysis of Kickoff Weekend rosters done by the league office, the Green Bay Packers have the distinction of being the league's youngest squad for a fourth consecutive season.

- Dating back to 2000, Arizona was the only other club to hold or share the distinction for at least three years. The Cardinals were the NFL's youngest team in 2001 and tied for the league's youngest roster the following two seasons.
- With an average 2009 roster age of 25.70, Green Bay again checks in with the youngest average age in the NFL. Indianapolis and Kansas City are tied for second with an average age of 25.89 years.
- Green Bay had four players age 30 or over, the lowest total in the NFL.
- Kansas City and Green Bay tied for the youngest roster last season with an average age of 25.57 years.
- The Packers were the youngest team in the NFL in 2007 with an average age of 25.72 years, while the Colts placed second at 25.74 years. Both teams made playoff appearances that season.
- In Head Coach **Mike McCarthy's** first season, the Packers checked in as the league's youngest team with an average age of 25.57 years. Tennessee (25.77) was second.



TRAVELIN' LIGHT

Each season, the NFL compiles the number of miles each team will travel during the season, including preseason trips.

- Green Bay's first road trip of the regular season, a short trip to St. Louis, covered just under 500 miles, a relatively quick flight by NFL standards.
- Green Bay had a short flight to Minnesota for its second road contest, and travels just over 550 miles for its third trip of the year this weekend to Cleveland.
- The Packers' longest trips will be to Tampa and Phoenix, the latter of which also was a trip in the preseason.
- All collected, the team will fly 12,260 miles according to numbers compiled by the NFL league office.
- That total is the fourth-lowest mileage total among the 32 teams in 2009. Perhaps not surprisingly, five West Coast clubs head the list when it comes to logging miles through the air this season: Seattle (29,054), San Francisco (29,020), San Diego (28,628), Arizona (27,840) and Oakland (27,232).

PRO FOOTBALL HOF LIST HAS GREEN BAY CONNECTIONS

Headlined by all-time leading receiver Jerry Rice and all-time leading rusher Emmitt Smith, the Pro Football Hall of Fame preliminary list of modern-era nominees for election to the Class of 2010 was announced. Among the list of 131 players, coaches and contributors were a number of nominees with connections to the Packers.

- WR **Sterling Sharpe** and S **LeRoy Butler**, two of the significant contributors to the Packers revitalization in the 1990s, were among the list. Sharpe, a three-time first-team All-Pro and five-time Pro Bowler, still ranks near the top of most of the Packers' all-time receiving records despite having only played seven seasons.
- Butler, a four-time first-team All-Pro and Pro Bowler, was one of the most feared defensive players of his era. Butler was named to the 1990s NFL All-Decade Team and finished his career with 38 interceptions and 20.5 sacks.

- Also on the list was the architect of those teams, former general manager **Ron Wolf**. Over his tenure (1992-2000), the Packers compiled the league's second-best record (92-52), recorded seven straight winning seasons and six consecutive playoff appearances, and of course emerged victorious in Super Bowl XXXI.
- More recent Packers connections on the list include outside linebackers coach **Kevin Greene**. Greene leads all linebackers in NFL history with 160 sacks, a number that ranks third all-time among all players. He has been a semifinalist each of the last two years.
- Also on the list of nominees was **Clay Matthews**, father of Packers rookie LB **Clay Matthews**. The elder Matthews was a four-time Pro Bowler in his 16 seasons in the NFL, and his brother Bruce is already a member of the Pro Football Hall of Fame after his illustrious 19-year career as an offensive lineman.

► Other players on the list who made brief stops in Green Bay during their career include LB **Hardy Nickerson** (2002), DL **Steve McMichael** (1994), and RB/WR **Eric Metcalf** (2002).

WHAT 2-2 MEANS IN THE LONG RUN

It's no secret that early success dramatically increases a team's chances to make the postseason. Though statistics can only tell so much in the National Football League, they are on the side of teams who start fast.

- Since the NFL went to a 16-game schedule in 1978, 442 teams won their opener. Of those teams, 233 went to the playoffs and 136 won division crowns. Now, compare those numbers to the 442 teams that lost the first game of the season. Of that group, only 103 went to the playoffs and only 58 captured their division.
- Coaches typically break the season into four-game quarters, and success in the first quarter greatly enhances a team's chances of making the postseason.
- Under McCarthy, Green Bay started 1-3 (2006) and 2-2 (2008) in seasons in which it did not make the playoffs. In 2007, the Packers started 4-0 when they ultimately played in the NFC Championship Game.
- While the Packers finished their first quarter of the season at 2-2, it has a chance to make some early ground in the NFC playoff chase in the second quarter. The upcoming road game at Cleveland (1-5) in advance of next week's division showdown against the Vikings (6-0) at Lambeau Field. Nor can the team afford an emotional letdown after the Minnesota contest, as it travels to Tampa (0-6) to play the Bucs.
- Teams rebounding from slow starts isn't unheard of, especially with earning a wild-card berth being an alternate route to the postseason. Still, the stats bear out that early-season success goes a long way in determining who will play in January and February.
- A look at how important fast starts have become to an eventual playoff berth, compiled from 1990-2008:

Record through 4 games	% of teams in playoffs
0-4	1.6%
1-3	15.8%
2-2	35.5%
3-1	64.5%
4-0	83.9%

PACKERS TEAM NOTES

280 AND COUNTING

Another sellout at Lambeau Field against the Detroit Lions brought the consecutive sellouts streak to 280 games (264 regular season, 16 playoffs). In two weeks against Minnesota, a game that could challenge the stadium attendance records, is expected to be No. 281.

- Lambeau Field, the league's longest-tenured stadium, is hosting its 53rd season of football this year. A total of 565,460 fans came through the turnstiles in the eight home contests in 2008, an average of 70,683.
- Lambeau Field also saw the four largest regular-season crowds in stadium history in 2008 (vs. Minnesota, vs. Dallas, vs. Indianapolis, vs. Chicago). The Dallas game (71,113) set a new regular-season attendance record.

THE LAMBEAU ADVANTAGE

The crown jewel of the National Football League, Lambeau Field has long been known as one of the tougher venues to play in, particularly during the harsh Wisconsin winter.

- 2-1 on the season at home, the Packers have won 15 of their last 21 regular-season games at Lambeau Field.
- McCarthy has stated consistently that one of the team's goals is to reclaim the mystique of playing at Lambeau Field. Mission accomplished. The team is 11-5 at home over the last two seasons, a marked improvement over the prior three seasons (10-14 combined).
- Since **Ron Wolf** and **Mike Holmgren** began the revitalization of the franchise in 1992, Green Bay owns the best home record in the NFL. A look at the top home W-L records since the '92 season:

Team	W-L record	Pct.
Green Bay	103-36-0	.741
Denver	102-37-0	.734
Pittsburgh	101-37-1	.730
Minnesota	95-44-0	.683
Kansas City	93-46-0	.669

WITH THE GAME ON THE LINE

Three of the Packers' first five games have come down to plays in the closing minutes of the fourth quarter, most notably the season opener.

- QB **Aaron Rodgers** hit WR **Greg Jennings** with the game-winning touchdown pass with just over one minute remaining. In Green Bay's two losses, the team has tried to rally from double-digit deficits but fell short each time in the closing moments.
- In eight of the 10 losses from 2008, the Packers either led or were behind by no more than one score in the fourth quarter. In those same eight games, the outcome was decided in the final two minutes.
- Even though the Packers finished the season plus-39 in scoring differential, they finished 6-10 because of their failure to make a play when they needed it.
- The "lessons of 2008", as Coach McCarthy referred to them this entire offseason, center around the Packers coming up with the critical play in crunch time, whether it be on offense, defense or special teams.
- Their seven losses in games decided by four points or less tied the second-highest total in NFL history.
- It wasn't a problem of putting up points in the final frame, as Green Bay's 150 fourth-quarter points were second in the NFL behind San

Diego (152).

- Perhaps most telling was the fact that the Green Bay defense allowed the second-most fourth-quarter points (135) in the league. Only Houston (136) allowed more.
- The two-minute drill was heavily stressed on both sides of the ball all offseason and still occurs in the course of a regular-season week. The drill almost always comes toward the end of practice to help simulate the fatigue and end-of-game conditions.

NATIONALLY TELEVISED GAMES HEADLINE 2009 SCHEDULE

The Packers will play each division rival once in front of a national television audience, including an upcoming Thanksgiving game in Detroit against the Lions in Week 12.

- The team has already played a season-opening game on NBC *Sunday Night Football* and a Monday night game at Minnesota, and the Packers' will have another appearance on Monday night Dec. 7 in a Week 13 showdown with the Baltimore Ravens at Lambeau Field. It marks the first *MNF* game played at Lambeau Field in the month of December.

► 2009 marks the 17th consecutive season the Packers have appeared on *Monday Night Football*, the NFL's longest active streak.

► Green Bay's fifth game in front of a national TV audience comes against the Dallas Cowboys in Week 10. The Nov. 15 game will kick off at 3:15 p.m. on FOX. The fifth home game on the schedule, the Cowboys contest is slated as a Gold Package (Milwaukee season-

ticket holders) game. Cincinnati came to Lambeau Field in Week 2 for the other Gold Package game.

- A 3 p.m. kickoff, the Vikings-Packers matchup at Lambeau Field on Nov. 1 will certainly be watched by many around the country as Favre makes his return to Lambeau Field.
- Green Bay's final four games of the season, including matchups at Super Bowl XLIII opponents Arizona and Pittsburgh, as well as the final division game in Chicago, are all subject to the NFL's flexible scheduling.
- Green Bay is not a candidate to be flexed in Week 11 against San Francisco because the team plays just four days later against Detroit on Thanksgiving. The Packers also are not a candidate to be flexed in Week 14 or 15 because of FOX protecting the Bears and Steelers games.

SCHEDULE NUGGETS

Green Bay's bye week – Week 5 – was the earliest bye for the team since 1999, when it had its bye in Week 4. Though its bye week comes early, the team will get some rest coming off the Thanksgiving contest. It won't play until the following Monday night, Dec. 7, at home.














- The Packers have five games against playoff teams from a year ago (Week 4 at Minnesota, Week 8 vs. Minnesota, Week 13 vs. Baltimore, Week 15 at Pittsburgh and Week 17 at Arizona).
- Green Bay plays three of the four teams who played in last season's conference championships. All three games (vs. Baltimore, at Pittsburgh, at Arizona) occur in the season's final five weeks. Making the season's final stretch tougher too is the fact that three of the final four games will be on the road.
- For the first time since 2003, the Packers will not play a division opponent in the season's final three weeks.





PACKERS TEAM NOTES

2009 OPPONENTS

			NFL Rank	
		Record	Offense	Defense
	at Arizona Cardinals.....	(3-2)	16	16
	Baltimore Ravens	(3-3)	7	17
	Chicago Bears	(3-2)	19	13
	Cincinnati Bengals	(4-2)	17	19
	at Cleveland Browns.....	(1-5)	31	32
	Dallas Cowboys	(3-2)	2	22
	Detroit Lions.....	(1-5)	24	28
	Minnesota Vikings	(6-0)	13	18
	at Pittsburgh Steelers.....	(4-2)	5	3
	San Francisco 49ers...	(3-2)	29	15
	Seattle Seahawks.....	(2-4)	22	14
	at St. Louis Rams.....	(0-6)	27	30
	at Tampa Bay Buccaneers..	(0-6)	28	27

WILLIAMS ON THE RETURNS

CB **Tramon Williams**, whether it be on a punt return or after an interception, is dangerous once he has the ball in his hands.

- In Week 1, he had a 67-yard interception return against the Bears that gave the Green Bay offense the ball inside the 5-yard line.
- Last week against the Lions, he filled in for WR **Jordy Nelson** on punt returns and returned his only opportunity for 45 yards, the team's longest punt return of the season.
- Throughout Packers history, no player has had an interception return of 65-plus yards and a punt return of 45-plus yards in the same season, according to the Elias Sports Bureau.
- Individual interception records were not kept until 1940.

PROTECTING THE FOOTBALL

It took QB **Aaron Rodgers** until his fourth game of the season to record his first interception, a second-quarter pass intended for WR **Greg Jennings** that was picked off by Vikings CB Antoine Winfield.

- Even under heavy duress through the first five games, Rodgers has been careful with the football and in his decision-making.
- Prior to that second-quarter throw against Minnesota, his last interception came in Week 16 of last season, a streak that stretched 159 consecutive attempts. Rodgers' streak had been the second-longest streak among active quarterbacks and longest among starting signal-callers.
- The streak of 159 passes without an interception is a new personal best for Rodgers, topping a record established last year, when it wasn't until the fourth game of the season that he threw an interception. That snapped a streak of 157 consecutive passes without an interception, a streak that began in 2005 and is now the fourth-longest in team history. Rodgers' new career high (159) ranks third all-time among Green Bay signal callers for consecutive passes without an interception.
- Bart Starr holds the franchise record with an astounding 294 straight passes without an interception, second-most in NFL history.
- Brett Favre stands at No. 2 on the team's all-time list with 163 consecutive passes without an interception.
- The interception-free streaks have come in bunches in the **Mike McCarthy** tenure. Much credit must be given to McCarthy, who works closely with those under center, and quarterbacks coach **Tom Clements**.
- In addition to Rodgers' two long streaks (159 and 157) over the past two seasons, Favre had two of the longest streaks of his career under the duo in 2007. Early in the season, he had a 142-pass streak (third longest of his career) and followed up with a 139-pass streak (fourth) later in the season.
- For the season, Rodgers has thrown two interceptions in 164 attempts, or 1.2% of his passes. In his first season as a starter, he threw 13 interceptions on 536 attempts (2.4%).



POSITION-BY-POSITION

BY THE NUMBERS

Here's a look at the Packers' current roster by position.

Quarterback – 2

- Now in his second year under center, **Aaron Rodgers** looks more comfortable in the offense than he did a year ago. That may not be good news for opponents considering the statistical milestones Rodgers eclipsed in 2008, ones he is on pace to match or surpass in most cases. His stated goals this offseason were to improve on his consistency and to work with play-caller **Mike McCarthy** to expand his role in the offensive game plan.
- Pass protection has been an issue thus far, a problem that coaches have acknowledged falls on many different people. With increased time in the pocket and more awareness by Rodgers, there is no shortage of weapons at the skill positions for him to feature in the passing game.
- Only one other quarterback is on the 53-man roster, second-year player **Matt Flynn**. He does serve as the team's primary holder for field goals and extra points and would run the offense in Rodgers' absence.
- 2008 second-round choice **Brian Brohm** was released in the final cutdown but did return to the team's practice squad.
- Both Flynn and Brohm went through their first year of McCarthy's quarterback school this offseason, with Flynn emerging the winner of the No. 2 job.

Running back – 3

- **Ryan Grant** is entrenched as the clear starter and has gotten the bulk of the carries so far.
- Grant has produced solid numbers so far for the Packers, who have traditionally run more later in the season as the weather turns, particularly at home.
- Emerging as a threat out of the backfield, Grant also has 12 catches in '09, whereas he had 18 catches all of last season.
- Vying for carries behind Grant is third-year pros **Brandon Jackson** and **DeShawn Wynn**. Jackson made his season debut in Week 6 after an ankle injury, while Wynn was held out of the game with a knee injury.

Fullback – 3

- Last year the team kept two fullbacks, but with two veterans returning and a rookie draft pick, the team opted to keep all three heading into the season.
- McCarthy said that he can foresee a scenario in which all three are active, particularly because all three have seen time on some special teams units. Also, McCarthy has used a two-fullback formation for running plays in previous seasons.
- Both **Korey Hall** and **John Kuhn** have been valuable special teams players each of the last two seasons and also reliable targets out of the backfield.
- Hall was sidelined the last game with a calf injury, a blow to the special teams coverage units for which he was tied for the lead in tackles. Kuhn is a traditional power fullback and has already found the end zone three times on the season.
- Making his NFL debut this past weekend was **Quinn Johnson**, the team's fifth-round pick in the 2009 NFL Draft. Lauded as a traditional fullback, Johnson paved the way for a 1,100-yard rusher in each of his final two seasons at LSU while also proving to be a reliable option in short-yardage situations and as a pass catcher.

Wide receiver – 5

- **Donald Driver** and **Greg Jennings** head up what is one of the deepest receiving groups across the league. Both are coming off 1,000-yard campaigns and look to be in top form so far in 2009.
- Green Bay was one of four teams in 2008 to have at least a pair of 1,000-yard receivers. The others were Arizona (L. Fitzgerald 1,431; A. Boldin 1,038; S. Breaston 1,006), Kansas City (T. Gonzalez 1,058; D. Bowe 1,022) and New England (W. Welker 1,165; R. Moss 1,008).
- **James Jones** and **Jordy Nelson** are dangerous threats when Green Bay goes to its multiple wideout formations. Jones looks to be completely healthy after knee troubles plagued his 2008 season, while Nelson suffered a knee sprain against the Lions and will miss some time. That would mean increased opportunities for Jones to solidify himself as the No. 3 wideout.
- **Brett Swain** earned his spot on the team after arriving in Green Bay as a seventh-round pick in 2008 and spending a year on the practice squad. Most of his game action so far has come on special teams, but he did see time with the offense on Sunday and will be counted on with Nelson hurt.



Tight end – 3

- Tight end is always an interesting position to keep an eye on because of the way McCarthy likes to utilize the position on offense, especially with multiple tight-end sets.
- **Donald Lee**, the unit's primary starter each of the last two seasons, might be one of the more unheralded players at the position across the NFL. His numbers over the past two seasons (87 catches, 878 yards, 11 touchdowns) prove as much.
- One of the players on the roster most will be keeping an eye on is **Jermichael Finley**, a prime candidate to have a breakout season. In his second season and still only 22, Finley showed flashes of his potential at the end of his rookie season and is a big, athletic target for Rodgers. He is a mismatch when lined up against an opposing linebacker and has four catches of 20-plus yards so far.
- **Spencer Havner** earned the third spot after making the transition to tight end this offseason. Havner had previously spent two seasons on the practice squad at linebacker and is a special teams standout. He could become the first three-way player in McCarthy's tenure.

Offensive line – 10

- Coach McCarthy settled on his starting five on Aug. 24, marking the only changes among the offensive unit from 2008. Injuries have shuffled a unit which has been the position group most scrutinized thus far.
- **T Chad Clifton** went down with an ankle injury in Week 2 and again Sunday, forcing rookie **T.J. Lang** into the lineup. C **Jason Spitz** was sidelined last Sunday with a back injury, meaning C **Scott Wells** came off the bench to start at center.
- Also, **Mark Tauscher** was signed last week, which undoubtedly creates competition at the right tackle spot held by **Allen Barbre** once coaches feel Tauscher is in suitable game shape. He held the right tackle position for each of the last nine (2000-08) seasons.
- Given the injuries to Clifton and Spitz, the line may be a work in progress all week in practice leading up to the Cleveland game. It's unclear if the team would proceed with the same lineup it had in Clifton's absence, moving left guard **Daryn Colledge** out to tackle, or if the team would just insert Lang, who has impressed in his limited game action.



POSITION-BY-POSITION

Defensive end – 4

- ▶ Defensive end has a much different look both in responsibility and in roster numbers in defensive coordinator **Dom Capers'** 3-4 defense.
- ▶ **Cullen Jenkins**, who has played both inside and outside, has looked outstanding thus far in his return from a pectoral injury that cut short what was promising to be a career season in 2008. Last season, Jenkins appeared in the first four games, with the Packers' defense collecting nine sacks over that time. The team accumulated 18 sacks in the 12 games Jenkins missed.
- ▶ Getting the chance to start opposite Jenkins is **Johnny Jolly**. A former defensive tackle in the old scheme, Jolly has played well even with some added bulk to hold the line of scrimmage. Both Jenkins and Jolly have interceptions, the first time a pair of Packers linemen have had interceptions since 2002.
- ▶ Also in the mix is first-round pick **B.J. Raji**, who makes a fifth player in the rotation at the end spot. Raji spent significant time at end once he arrived in Green Bay this offseason and appears as though he will spend time both inside and outside in his first season. On run downs, he adds considerable bulk to the first line of defense.
- ▶ Veteran **Michael Montgomery**, thought by some a bad fit for the new scheme, has played well and held on to his spot as a backup. At 6-5, Montgomery is able to use his length to his advantage to occupy offensive lineman. DE **Jarius Wynn**, a sixth-round draft pick from Georgia, showed the ability to rush the passer in the preseason and has seen time on special teams and from scrimmage so far.

Nose tackle – 2

- ▶ The Packers kept only three defensive tackles last season in their 4-3 scheme, but only have two nose tackles in the new scheme.
- ▶ Raji will obviously see time at the position once he gets more game reps in general but is behind starter **Ryan Pickett**. Like Raji, Pickett could see time at multiple positions along the line, but has played exclusively at nose tackle thus far.
- ▶ Both have the necessary size to hold the line of scrimmage at the position. It's a possibility that others – perhaps Jolly – could see time at nose tackle in different looks.

Linebacker – 9

- ▶ No position looks more different in 2009 than it did in 2008 than linebacker. Whether it be former defensive ends converting to the outside or veterans adjusting to new responsibilities, it will be one of the most-watched position groups this season.
- ▶ Converted from defensive end were **Aaron Kampman** and **Jeremy Thompson**, both of whom are counted on to rush the passer. Kampman, one of the NFL's most productive pass rushers over the past three seasons, is making the transition to playing without his hand on the ground in addition to more coverage responsibilities.
- ▶ Thompson seems like an ideal fit for the position and was praised by coaches for his quick transition to the position. Still, Thompson is in just his second season, and could split some reps from scrimmage behind first-round draft pick **Clay Matthews**. Both could be major contributors on various special-teams units, as could LB **Brady Poppinga**, who seems to have given way in the starting lineup to Matthews.
- ▶ In the middle are veterans **Nick Barnett** and **A.J. Hawk**. **Desmond Bishop** and **Brandon Chillar** enjoyed outstanding preseasons,

including some impactful plays in game action, and give the team great depth along the inside.

- ▶ Chillar plays in nickel packages and in the team's 'Big Okie' package. In fact, he is second on the team in tackles behind Barnett.

Cornerback – 5

- ▶ While the team may no longer play as much press coverage as it had become known for in prior seasons, this group is still led by Pro Bowlers **Al Harris** and **Charles Woodson**. Both have been impressive in the early going and seem to have grasped the new system quickly.
- ▶ Woodson seems to relish his new role playing with more vision to the quarterback, as evidenced by his three early interceptions.
- ▶ Behind the veteran duo is a group of young corners, led by third-year man **Tramon Williams**. When Harris was sidelined last season with a spleen injury, Williams stepped up in his absence and finished the season with five interceptions.
- ▶ After Williams, young corners will be looking to establish themselves in sub packages and on special teams. Given the season-ending injury to **Will Blackmon**, the team's primary return specialist, sixth-round draft

pick **Brandon Underwood** from the University of Cincinnati saw his first NFL action. **Jarrett Bush**, who will play both corner and safety and is a top player on the Packers' special-teams units, also will be in the mix.

Safety – 4

- ▶ **Nick Collins** is coming off a career season in which he earned his first Pro Bowl berth. Now, Collins must make more calls and checks in the new scheme, and his importance is magnified given the injury issues the team has experienced at the other safety spot.

- ▶ At the other safety position, **Atari**

Bigby made his return from a knee injury suffered in Week 1 and seemed to play with his usual speed and physical style. In fact, Bigby did pick off a pass in the red zone to help preserve the shutout. Competing for reps at backup positions are newcomers **Derrick Martin** and **Matt Giordano**. Martin arrived from Baltimore in a trade at the roster cutdown, so he has some familiarity with the 3-4, while Giordano was signed prior to Week 3. Both have played on special teams, while Bush gives the coaches another player at the position should injuries continue to occur.

- ▶ The 'Big Okie' formation also has used LB **Brandon Chillar** in a hybrid role and was featured against the Lions even with the return of Bigby.

Specialists – 3

- ▶ **K Mason Crosby** and LS **Brett Goode** are back for another year and have been solid all season. Crosby hopes to improve upon his accuracy and consistency, but there is no doubting his leg strength, as evidenced by his 52-yard field goal against the Bears. It was his seventh career kick from 50 yards or longer.
- ▶ Incumbent punter **Jeremy Kapinos** won the job in training camp. Kapinos punted in the last four games for the team last season and does cause return men some problems as a left-footed kicker.
- ▶ Given injuries to the team's return specialists the last two weeks, coaches may turn to the trio of **Brett Swain**, **Tramon Williams** and **Charles Woodson** on both kicks and punts. Williams has experience at both, while he and Woodson handled the duties against the Lions.



INDIVIDUAL NOTES & STREAKS

76 CHAD CLIFTON

- Has played in 134 career games, including 129 starts.
- Has started 97 of last 101 games since returning from a serious pelvic injury that ended his 2002 season. Has missed two games due to illness ('06 at Miami, '08 at Tennessee) and missed two this season (Weeks 3-4) with an ankle injury.

36 NICK COLLINS

- With four interception returns for scores in his career, matches No. 5 Johnny (Blood) McNally on Green Bay's all-time career list. With another, would match No. 2 Bobby Dillon, Darren Sharper and Charles Woodson, each of whom returned five.

2 MASON CROSBY

- His 268 points from 2007-08 is the most ever by a Green Bay kicker over a two-season span.
- Needs 121 points this season to set the NFL record for most points scored by a player in his first three seasons (Stephen Gostkowski, NE, 388, 2006-08). Has 44 points in 2009.
- For his career, has hit 45-of-49 field goals from 39 yards-and-closer.
- Has hit 17-of-24 field goals from 40-49 yards.
- Has hit 7-of-13 field goals from 50-plus yards.

80 DONALD DRIVER

- Surpassed Sterling Sharpe (595) to become the franchise's all-time leader in receptions. Driver enters with 602 career catches.
- Surpassed No. 3 Sharpe (8,134) on the franchise's all-time receiving yards list in Week 3. James Lofton (9,656) ranks No. 1. Driver is No. 2 with 8,384 career receiving yards.
- Has a reception in 116 consecutive games, besting the franchise's previous long streak of Sharpe's 103 (1988-94).
- In 2008, became the first player in franchise history with 1,000 receiving yards in a sixth overall season. Lofton and Sharpe each had five 1,000-yard campaigns.
- Extended another Packers record by recording his fifth consecutive season (2004-08) with 1,000 receiving yards. Driver had 1,012 yards.
- For the seventh time had 50-plus receptions in 2008, tying a franchise record. Lofton and Sharpe each had seven seasons with 50-plus catches. Driver (35 catches) is on pace to eclipse the mark for an eighth season.
- Is the all-time leading receiver at Lambeau Field, surpassing Antonio Freeman (3,477 yards). Driver has 4,068 career receiving yards at the stadium.
- Also is Lambeau Field's all-time leader in receptions with 290. Freeman (213) also ranks No. 2.
- Stands at No. 3 with 18 touchdown receptions at Lambeau Field. Freeman (36) ranks first in the stadium's history, while Sharpe (20) is No. 2.



- Has 21 career 100-yard receiving games, No. 4 in team history. Needs three more games to equal No. 3 Don Hutson (24) on the all-time list.
- With 45 career TD receptions, joins Hutson (99), Sharpe (65), Freeman (57), Max McGee (50), Lofton (49), Billy Howton (43) and Boyd Dowler (40) as the only Packers with 40 career TD catches.
- Ranks fourth all-time in yards from scrimmage with 8,601. Driver needs 1,112 yards to move past No. 3 Jim Taylor (9,712).

88 JERMICHAEL FINLEY

- His 15.3-yard average per catch ranks third among NFL tight ends.
- Tied a franchise record for receiving yards by a tight end (Jackie Harris, 128, Oct. 10, 1993, vs. Denver) with 128 receiving yards in Week 4.
- His 62-yard touchdown was the longest reception by a tight end since 1993 (Jackie Harris, 66t, Oct. 10, 1993).

25 RYAN GRANT

- With 1,200 yards this season, would become only the third player in franchise history to post back-to-back seasons of 1,200-plus rushing yards (Ahman Green, 2001-03; Jim Taylor, 1961-62).
- Became the eighth back in franchise history to surpass 1,000 yards in a season in 2008, making it the 20th such season by a running back in Packers history.
- Enters with 2,506 career rushing yards.
- In his first two NFL seasons, totaled 2,159 rushing yards. That ranked eighth among all NFL players over that period.
- Has nine 100-yard games in his career.
- Established a new career-high at Minnesota in Week 4 with 50 receiving yards.

31 AL HARRIS

- Has 117 career starts.
- Needs to return one interception for a touchdown to tie No. 7 Charley Brock, Doug Hart and Ken Ellis (all with three) on Green Bay's all-time career list. With a second TD on an interception, would match No. 5 Johnny (Blood) McNally and Nick Collins (4).

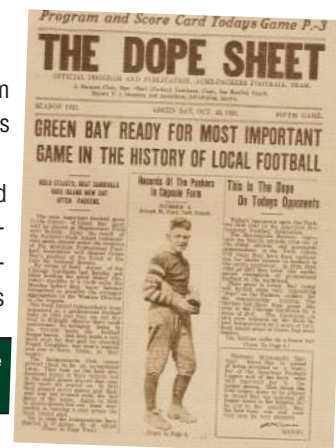
50 A.J. HAWK

- Has tallied over 120 tackles in each of his first three seasons.

85 GREG JENNINGS

- His 15 catches of 40-plus yards from 2007-08 was tops in the NFL. His three in '09 is tied for second.
- With 1,200 yards receiving, would become just the fourth player in franchise history to post 1,200 receiving yards in back-to-back seasons

Two years after he co-founded the Packers with Curly Lambeau, George Calhoun began writing a piece called The Dope Sheet, which served as the official press release and game program from 1921-24.





INDIVIDUAL NOTES & STREAKS

- ▶ (Sterling Sharpe, 1992-93; Antonio Freeman, 1997-98; Donald Driver, 2005-06).
- ▶ Had 103 receiving yards in Week 3, his 11th career 100-yard game.
- ▶ In Week 3, surpassed 3,000 career receiving yards in his 46th career game. Surpassed 2,000 career receiving yards in 2008 at Tampa Bay, his 31st career game. He now has 3,148 career yards.
- ▶ Surpassed 1,000 career receiving yards on the 82-yard, game-winning touchdown catch in OT vs. Denver in 2007, his 19th career game.

74 AARON KAMPMAN

- ▶ His 37 sacks over the last three seasons (2006-08) ranked third among all NFL players.
- ▶ With 52½ career sacks, is No. 4 on the team's all-time sacks list. Needs three more to move past No. 3 Tim Harris (55).
- ▶ In 2008, became the fourth player to record 50 sacks with the Packers, joining Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila (74½), Reggie White (68½) and Harris (55).
- ▶ Has made 85-plus tackles for four straight seasons.
- ▶ Has started 94 of the last 95 games, only missing the 2007 regular-season finale to rest for the playoffs.



86 DONALD LEE

- ▶ With 15 career touchdowns, matches No. 5 Ron Kramer (15) on the franchise's all-time tight ends list.
- ▶ His 11 touchdowns over the last two seasons ranked tied for fourth among all tight ends over that time behind Dallas Clark (17), Antonio Gates (17) and Tony Gonzalez (15). Jason Witten also had 11 touchdowns.

12 AARON RODGERS

- ▶ In 21 career starts, has eclipsed a 100.0-plus passer rating 11 times.
- ▶ In 2008, became only the second player in NFL history to surpass 4,000 yards passing in the same season in which he made his first career start. Kurt Warner (4,353) accomplished the feat during his MVP season in 1999.
- ▶ With another 4,000-yard season, would become the first player in NFL history to post 4,000 yards passing in each of his first two seasons as a starter.

- ▶ Became the fourth player in Packers history to surpass the 4,000-yard mark, joining Lynn Dickey (1), Brett Favre (5) and Don Majkowski (1).
- ▶ Among quarterbacks in the NFL in 2008, ranked fourth in passing yards (4,038), fourth in touchdowns (28), sixth in QB rating (93.8), 10th in completion percentage (63.6%), tied for fifth in 20-plus yard passes (48) and tied for first in 40-plus yard passes (16).
- ▶ Has six career 300-yard games and four 3-TD games.
- ▶ His four rushing touchdowns in 2008 were the most by a Packers quarterback since Don Majkowski (5) in 1989.

- ▶ Became the first quarterback other than Brett Favre to start a Packers game since Don Majkowski, Sept. 20, 1992.

38 TRAMON WILLIAMS

- ▶ Established career highs in 2008 in nearly every statistical category, including tackles (52), interceptions (5) and passes defended (14).

21 CHARLES WOODSON

- ▶ Has 39 career interceptions, 22 in 51 games since coming to Green Bay in 2006. Woodson had 17 interceptions in 106 games with Oakland.
- ▶ Is third in most interceptions in the NFL since 2006 with 22 (Ed Reed - BAL 23, Asante Samuel - PHI, 24).
- ▶ With five interception returns for scores, matches No. 2 Bobby Dillon and Darren Sharper on Green Bay's all-time career list. Needs two more to match No. 1 Herb Adderley (seven).
- ▶ With six defensive touchdowns as a member of the Packers (five interceptions, one fumble return), is No. 3 on the team's all-time list. Needs one more to match Adderley and Sharper with seven atop the list.
- ▶ His five interception-return TDs since 2006 is the most in the league during that span.
- ▶ With seven interceptions in 2009, would become only the second player in franchise history to post at least seven interceptions in three different seasons (Dillon, 1953-57).
- ▶ With two interceptions against Cincinnati, recorded the fourth multi-interception game of his career. Three have come with Green Bay.

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

PLAYERS

Allen Barbre	BAR-ber
Atari Bigby	ah-TARR-ee BIG-bee
Brandon Chillar	CHILL-er
Breno Giacomini	BREH-no GEE-ah-coh-MEE-knee
Matt Giordano	G-or-DAH-N-O
Brett Goode	GEWD
Spencer Havner	HAY-vner
Cullen Jenkins	KULL-en
Aaron Kampman	CAMP-man
Jeremy Kapinos	CAP-eh-nos
John Kuhn	KOON
Ryan Pickett	PICK-ett

Brady Poppinga	puh-PING-ah
B.J. Raji	RAH-jee
Josh Sitton	SITT-en
Jason Spitz	SPITTS
Mark Tauscher	TAO-scher
Tramon Williams	trah-MAHN

COACHES

James Campen	KAMP-en
Tom Clements	KLEMM-ints
Jerry Fontenot	FON-tin-oh
Ben McAdoo	MACK-ah-doo
Shawn Slocum	SLOW-kumm
Mike Trgovac	TUR-go-vac

DEPTH CHART

Unofficial, Oct. 20, 2009

OFFENSE

WR:	85	Greg Jennings	87	Jordy Nelson	16	<u>Brett Swain</u>
LT:	76	Chad Clifton	<u>70</u>	<u>T.J. Lang</u>	73	Daryn Colledge
LG:	73	Daryn Colledge	72	Jason Spitz	<u>70</u>	<u>T.J. Lang</u>
C:	72	Jason Spitz	63	Scott Wells	<u>62</u>	<u>Evan Dietrich-Smith</u>
RG:	71	Josh Sitton	<u>62</u>	<u>Evan Dietrich-Smith</u>		
RT:	78	Allen Barbre	68	Breno Giacomini	65	Mark Tauscher
TE:	86	Donald Lee	88	Jermichael Finley	<u>41</u>	<u>Spencer Havner</u>
WR:	80	Donald Driver	89	James Jones		
QB:	12	Aaron Rodgers	10	Matt Flynn		
RB:	25	Ryan Grant	32	Brandon Jackson	42	DeShawn Wynn
FB:	30	John Kuhn	35	Korey Hall	<u>45</u>	<u>Quinn Johnson</u>

DEFENSE

LDE:	97	Johnny Jolly	<u>90</u>	<u>B.J. Raji</u>	<u>94</u>	<u>Jarius Wynn</u>
NT:	79	Ryan Pickett	<u>90</u>	<u>B.J. Raji</u>		
RDE:	77	Cullen Jenkins	96	Michael Montgomery		
LOLB:	74	Aaron Kampman	99	Jeremy Thompson	<u>59</u>	<u>Brad Jones</u>
BLB:	50	A.J. Hawk	55	Desmond Bishop		
MLB:	56	Nick Barnett	54	Brandon Chillar	<u>41</u>	<u>Spencer Havner</u>
ROLB:	<u>52</u>	<u>Clay Matthews</u>	51	Brady Poppinga	<u>59</u>	<u>Brad Jones</u>
LCB:	21	Charles Woodson	24	Jarrett Bush	<u>33</u>	<u>Brandon Underwood</u>
RCB:	31	Al Harris	38	Tramon Williams		
SS:	20	Atari Bigby	29	Derrick Martin		
FS:	36	Nick Collins	47	Matt Giordano	24	Jarrett Bush

SPECIAL TEAMS

K:	2	Mason Crosby				
P:	<u>7</u>	<u>Jeremy Kapinos</u>				
H:	10	Matt Flynn	<u>7</u>	<u>Jeremy Kapinos</u>		
PR:	38	Tramon Williams	21	Charles Woodson	<u>16</u>	<u>Brett Swain</u>
KR:	38	Tramon Williams	32	Brandon Jackson	<u>16</u>	<u>Brett Swain</u>
PC:	61	Brett Goode	71	Josh Sitton		
KC:	61	Brett Goode	71	Josh Sitton		

Rookies and first-year players are underlined



HOW THE PACKERS WERE BUILT

Year	Record	Draft (36)	Trades (3)	Free Agents (12)
1999	8-8-0	WR Donald Driver D7b		
2000	9-7-0	T Chad Clifton D2		
		T Mark Tauscher D7a (FA-09)		
2001	12-4-0			
2002	12-4-0	LB Aaron Kampman D5a		
2003	10-6-0	LB Nick Barnett D1	CB Al Harris (PHI)	
2004	10-6-0	C Scott Wells D7 (FA-04)		DE Cullen Jenkins
2005	4-12-0	QB Aaron Rodgers D1		S Atari Bigby
		S Nick Collins D2a		TE Donald Lee
		LB Brady Poppinga D4b		
		DE Michael Montgomery D6a		
2006	8-8-0	LB A.J. Hawk D1		TE/LB Spencer Havner
		G Daryn Colledge D2a		NT Ryan Pickett (UFA)
		WR Greg Jennings D2b		CB Tramon Williams
		C/G Jason Spitz D3b		CB Charles Woodson (UFA)
		DE Johnny Jolly D6a		
2007	13-3-0	RB Brandon Jackson D2	RB Ryan Grant (NYG)	
		WR James Jones D3a		
		T/G Allen Barbre D4		
		FB Korey Hall D6a		
		LB Desmond Bishop D6b		
		K Mason Crosby D6c		
		RB DeShawn Wynn D7a (FA-08)		
2008	6-10-0	WR Jordy Nelson D2a		LB Brandon Chillar (UFA)
		TE Jermichael Finley D3		LS Brett Goode
		LB Jeremy Thompson D4a		P Jeremy Kapinos
		G Josh Sitton D4b		
		T Breno Giacomini D5		
		QB Matt Flynn D7a		
		WR Brett Swain D7b (FA-09)		
2009		NT B.J. Raji D1a	S Derrick Martin (BAL)	G/C Evan Dietrich-Smith
		LB Clay Matthews D1b		S Matt Giordano
		G/T T.J. Lang D4		
		FB Quinn Johnson D5a		
		DE Jarius Wynn D6a		
		CB Brandon Underwood D6b		
		LB Brad Jones D7		

Waivers (2): CB/S Jarrett Bush (from Carolina), 2006; FB John Kuhn (from Pittsburgh), 2007

2009 REGULAR-SEASON STATISTICS

	Packers	Opponent
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS	100	91
Rushing	29	28
Passing	63	52
Penalty	8	11
3rd Down: Made/Att.	25/61	25/67
3rd Down Pct.	41.0	37.3
4th Down: Made/Att.	1/2	3/8
4th Down Pct.	50.0	37.5
POSSESSION AVG.	30:30	29:30
TOTAL NET YARDS	1798	1490
Avg. Per Game	359.6	298.0
Total Plays	313	307
Avg. Per Play	5.7	4.9
NET YARDS RUSHING	506	527
Avg. Per Game	101.2	105.4
Total Rushes	124	146
NET YARDS PASSING	1292	963
Avg. Per Game	258.4	192.6
Sacked/Yards Lost	25/164	10/62
Gross Yards	1456	1025
Att./Completions	164/106	151/86
Completion Pct.	64.6	57.0
Had Intercepted	2	10
PUNTS/AVERAGE	20/45.6	22/45.8
Net Punting Avg.	20/33.9	22/40.7
PENALTIES/YARDS	43/359	30/215
FUMBLES/BALL LOST	7/3	7/3
TOUCHDOWNS	14	11
Rushing	4	2
Passing	8	9
Returns	2	0

SCORE BY PERIODS

	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	OT	PTS
PACKERS	44	47	3	36	0	130
OPPONENTS	14	44	27	8	0	93

SCORING

	TD	-Ru	-Pa	-Rt	K-PAT	FG	S	PTS
Mason Crosby	0	0	0	0	11/12	11/13	0	44
John Kuhn	3	1	2	0			0	18
Donald Driver	2	0	2	0			0	12
Ryan Grant	2	2	0	0			0	12
Greg Jennings	1	0	1	0			0	8
Jermichael Finley	1	0	1	0			0	6
James Jones	1	0	1	0			0	6
Clay Matthews	1	0	0	1			0	6
Jordy Nelson	1	0	1	0			0	6
Aaron Rodgers	1	1	0	0			0	6
Charles Woodson	1	0	0	1			0	6
PACKERS	14	4	8	2	11/12	11/13	0	130
OPPONENTS	11	2	9	0	11/11	4/5	2	93

2-Point Conversions: Jennings, Team 1-2, Opponents 0-0

SACKS: Clay Matthews 3, Cullen Jenkins 2, Aaron Kampman 2, Brandon Chillar 1, Al Harris 1, Nick Barnett 0.5, Michael Montgomery 0.5, PACKERS 10, OPPONENTS 25

RUSHING

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Ryan Grant	91	347	3.8	22	2
Aaron Rodgers	20	113	5.7	16	1
DeShawn Wynn	6	19	3.2	6	0
Donald Driver	1	13	13.0	13	0
John Kuhn	4	8	2.0	5	1
Brandon Jackson	2	6	3.0	4	0
PACKERS	124	506	4.1	22	4
OPPONENTS	146	527	3.6	20	2

PASSING

	Att	Cmp	Yds	Cmp%	Yds/Att	TD	TD%	Int	Int%	Long	Sack/Lost	Rating
Aaron Rodgers	164	106	1456	64.6	8.88	8	4.9	2	1.2	62t	25/164	104.1
PACKERS	164	106	1456	64.6	8.88	8	4.9	2	1.2	62t	25/164	104.1
OPPONENTS	151	86	1025	57.0	6.79	9	6.0	10	6.6	68	10/62	70.1

RECEIVING

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Donald Driver	25	395	15.8	46	2
Greg Jennings	17	304	17.9	53	1
Jermichael Finley	16	244	15.3	62t	1
Donald Lee	16	113	7.1	18	0
Ryan Grant	12	100	8.3	20	0
Jordy Nelson	7	104	14.9	33t	1
James Jones	5	113	22.6	47t	1
Spencer Havner	2	30	15.0	21	0
DeShawn Wynn	2	19	9.5	11	0
John Kuhn	2	11	5.5	10t	2
Brandon Jackson	1	12	12.0	12	0
Korey Hall	1	11	11.0	11	0
PACKERS	106	1456	13.7	62t	8
OPPONENTS	86	1025	11.9	68	9

INTERCEPTIONS

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Charles Woodson	3	59	19.7	37t	1
Al Harris	2	29	14.5	29	0
Tramon Williams	1	67	67.0	67	0
Nick Collins	1	31	31.0	31	0
Cullen Jenkins	1	4	4.0	4	0
Johnny Jolly	1	2	2.0	2	0
Atari Bigby	1	0	0.0	0	0
PACKERS	10	192	19.2	67	1
OPPONENTS	2	5	2.5	5	0

PUNTING

	No	Yds	Avg	Net	TB	In 20	LG	Blk
Jeremy Kapinos	20	911	45.6	33.9	2	6	58	0
PACKERS	20	911	45.6	33.9	2	6	58	0
OPPONENTS	22	1007	45.8	40.7	2	12	62	0

PUNT RETURNS

	Ret	FC	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Jordy Nelson	4	2	15	3.8	14	0
Will Blackmon	3	1	11	3.7	6	0
Tramon Williams	1	0	45	45.0	45	0
Charles Woodson	1	0	0	0.0	0	0
PACKERS	9	3	71	7.9	45	0
OPPONENTS	12	3	194	16.2	60	0

KICKOFF RETURNS

	No	Yds	Avg	Long	TD
Will Blackmon	10	233	23.3	28	0
Jordy Nelson	7	205	29.3	46	0
PACKERS	17	438	25.8	46	0
OPPONENTS	26	536	20.6	42	0

FIELD GOALS

	1-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50+
Mason Crosby	0/0	3/3	4/4	3/4	1/2
PACKERS	0/0	3/3	4/4	3/4	1/2
OPPONENTS	0/0	1/1	0/0	2/3	1/1

Crosby: (49N,52G,39G) (55N,45G) (48G,38G,25G) (31G) (46G,28G,31G,26G)
Opponents: (47G,21G) (40G) (48B,53G) () ()



2009 REGULAR-SEASON DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Official totals - based on coaches' film review, through October 18 vs. Detroit

Player	Total Tackles	Solo	Asst	Sacks/ Yards	Int/ Yards	Fum Rec	For Fum	Pass Def
Nick Barnett	39	31	8	0.5/4.5	0/0	0	0	0
Brandon Chillar	35	28	7	1.0/2.0	0/0	0	0	3
Aaron Kampman	34	21	13	2.0/4.0	0/0	0	1	0
Charles Woodson	30	25	5	0.0/0.0	3/59	0	0	3
Al Harris	27	21	6	1.0/8.0	2/29	1	0	4
Johnny Jolly	27	14	13	0.0/0.0	1/2	1	0	2
Ryan Pickett	24	13	11	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
A.J. Hawk	21	15	6	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Nick Collins	19	16	3	0.0/0.0	1/31	0	0	5
Cullen Jenkins	16	13	3	2.0/17.0	1/4	0	2	1
Brady Poppinga	16	12	4	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	1
Aaron Rouse	13	11	2	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Clay Matthews	13	8	5	3.0/22.0	0/0	1	1	3
Tramon Williams	8	6	2	0.0/0.0	1/67	0	0	6
Atari Bigby	7	3	4	0.0/0.0	1/0	0	0	2
B.J. Raji	6	3	3	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Derrick Martin	4	4	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Desmond Bishop	4	3	1	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Jarrett Bush	4	2	2	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Michael Montgomery	2	1	1	0.5/4.5	0/0	0	0	0
Spencer Havner	1	1	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Brett Swain	1	1	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Jarius Wynn	1	1	0	0.0/0.0	0/0	0	0	0
Totals	352	253	99	10.0/62.0	10/192	3	4	30

SPECIAL TEAMS

Player	TT	FR	FF
Desmond Bishop	8	0	0
Korey Hall	7	0	0
Spencer Havner	6	0	0
Brad Jones	6	0	0
Derrick Martin	6	0	0
John Kuhn	4	0	0
Brett Swain	4	0	0
Tramon Williams	4	0	0
Jarrett Bush	3	0	0
Brady Poppinga	3	0	0
Matt Giordano	2	0	0
DeShawn Wynn	2	0	0
Will Blackmon	1	0	0
Brandon Chillar	1	0	0
Mason Crosby	1	0	0
Brett Goode	1	0	0
A.J. Hawk	1	0	0
Jeremy Kapinos	1	0	0
Totals	61	0	0

BLOCKED KICKS

Player	PAT	FG	P
Johnny Jolly	0	1	0
Totals	0	1	0

DEFENSIVE SCORING

Player	TD	Int Ret	Fum Ret	Safeties
Clay Matthews	1	0	1	0
Charles Woodson	1	1	0	0
Totals	2	1	1	0

Defensive touchdowns (2):

Matthews — 42-yard fumble return at Minnesota (10/5)
Woodson — 37-yard interception return vs. Cincinnati (9/20)

MISCELLANEOUS TACKLES

Player	Tackles
Brandon Jackson	1
Greg Jennings	1
James Jones	1
T.J. Lang	1
Josh Sitton	1
Jason Spitz	1
Totals	6

No	ALPHABETICAL ROSTER	Pos	Ht	Wt	Birthdate	NFL Exp	College	High School Hometown
78	Barbre, Allen	T/G	6-4	305	6/22/84	3	Missouri Southern St.	Granby, Mo.
56	Barnett, Nick	LB	6-2	236	5/27/81	7	Oregon State	Fontana, Calif.
20	Bigby, Atari	S	5-11	213	9/19/81	4	Central Florida	Miami, Fla.
55	Bishop, Desmond	LB	6-2	238	7/24/84	3	California	Fairfield, Calif.
24	Bush, Jarrett	CB/S	6-0	200	5/21/84	4	Utah State	Vacaville, Calif.
54	Chillar, Brandon	LB	6-3	237	10/21/82	6	UCLA	Carlsbad, Calif.
76	Clifton, Chad	T	6-5	320	6/26/76	10	Tennessee	Martin, Tenn.
73	Colledge, Daryn	G	6-4	308	2/11/82	4	Boise State	North Pole, Alaska
36	Collins, Nick	S	5-11	207	8/16/83	5	Bethune-Cookman	Cross City, Fla.
2	Crosby, Mason	K	6-1	207	9/3/84	3	Colorado	Georgetown, Texas
62	Dietrich-Smith, Evan	G/C	6-2	305	7/19/86	R	Idaho State	Salinas, Calif.
80	Driver, Donald	WR	6-0	194	2/2/75	11	Alcorn State	Houston, Texas
88	Finley, Jermichael	TE	6-5	247	3/26/87	2	Texas	Diboll, Texas
10	Flynn, Matt	QB	6-2	225	6/20/85	2	Louisiana State	Tyler, Texas
68	Giacomini, Breno	T	6-7	311	9/27/85	2	Louisville	Malden, Mass.
47	Giordano, Matt	S	5-11	200	10/16/82	5	California	Clovis, California
61	Goode, Brett	LS	6-1	261	11/2/84	2	Arkansas	Fort Smith, Ark.
25	Grant, Ryan	RB	6-1	222	12/9/82	3	Notre Dame	Ramsey, N.J.
35	Hall, Korey	FB	6-0	236	8/5/83	3	Boise State	Glenns Ferry, Idaho
31	Harris, Al	CB	6-1	190	12/7/74	12	Texas A&M-Kingsville	Pompano Beach, Fla.
41	Havner, Spencer	TE/LB	6-3	250	2/2/83	1	UCLA	Grass Valley, Calif.
50	Hawk, A.J.	LB	6-1	250	1/6/84	4	Ohio State	Centerville, Ohio
32	Jackson, Brandon	RB	5-10	216	10/2/85	3	Nebraska	Horn Lake, Miss.
77	Jenkins, Cullen	DE	6-2	305	1/20/81	6	Central Michigan	Belleville, Mich.
85	Jennings, Greg	WR	5-11	198	9/21/83	4	Western Michigan	Kalamazoo, Mich.
45	Johnson, Quinn	FB	6-1	255	9/30/86	R	Louisiana State	Edgard, La.
97	Jolly, Johnny	DE	6-3	325	2/21/83	4	Texas A&M	Houston, Texas
59	Jones, Brad	LB	6-3	239	4/1/86	R	Colorado	East Lansing, Mich.
89	Jones, James	WR	6-1	208	3/31/84	3	San Jose State	San Jose, Calif.
74	Kampman, Aaron	LB	6-4	260	11/30/79	8	Iowa	Parkersburg, Iowa
7	Kapinos, Jeremy	P	6-1	233	8/23/84	1	Penn State	Springfield, Va.
30	Kuhn, John	FB	6-0	250	9/9/82	4	Shippensburg	York, Pa.
70	Lang, T.J.	G/T	6-4	316	9/20/87	R	Eastern Michigan	Birmingham, Mich.
86	Lee, Donald	TE	6-4	248	8/31/80	7	Mississippi State	Maben, Miss.
29	Martin, Derrick	S	5-10	198	5/16/85	4	Wyoming	Denver, Colo.
52	Matthews, Clay	LB	6-3	250	5/14/86	R	Southern California	Agoura Hills, Calif.
96	Montgomery, Michael	DE	6-5	282	8/18/83	5	Texas A&M	Center, Texas
87	Nelson, Jordy	WR	6-3	217	5/31/85	2	Kansas State	Riley, Kan.
79	Pickett, Ryan	NT	6-2	340	10/8/79	9	Ohio State	Zephyrhills, Fla.
51	Poppinga, Brady	LB	6-3	250	9/21/79	5	Brigham Young	Evanston, Wyo.
90	Raji, B.J.	NT	6-2	337	7/11/86	R	Boston College	Washington Township, N.J.
12	Rodgers, Aaron	QB	6-2	220	12/2/83	5	California	Chico, Calif.
71	Sitton, Josh	G	6-3	322	6/6/86	2	Central Florida	Pensacola, Fla.
72	Spitz, Jason	C/G	6-3	307	12/19/82	4	Louisville	Jacksonville, Fla.
16	Swain, Brett	WR	6-0	203	6/21/85	1	San Diego State	Carlsbad, Calif.
65	Tauscher, Mark	T	6-3	316	6/17/77	10	Wisconsin	Auburndale, Wis.
99	Thompson, Jeremy	LB	6-4	260	10/9/85	2	Wake Forest	Charlotte, N.C.
33	Underwood, Brandon	CB	6-1	191	6/24/86	R	Cincinnati	Hamilton, Ohio
63	Wells, Scott	C	6-2	300	1/7/81	6	Tennessee	Brentwood, Tenn.
38	Williams, Tramon	CB	5-11	191	3/16/83	3	Louisiana Tech	Napoleonville, La.
21	Woodson, Charles	CB	6-1	202	10/7/76	12	Michigan	Fremont, Ohio
42	Wynn, DeShawn	RB	5-10	232	10/9/83	3	Florida	Cincinnati, Ohio
94	Wynn, Jarius	DE	6-3	285	8/29/86	R	Georgia	Lincolnton, Ga.

Practice Squad

13	Allen, Jake	WR	6-4	196	1/18/85	1	Mississippi College	Waynesboro, Miss.
11	Brohm, Brian	QB	6-3	223	9/23/85	2	Louisville	Louisville, Ky.
39	Ford, Trevor	CB	6-0	188	2/19/86	R	Troy	Miami, Fla.
28	Lumpkin, Kregg	RB	5-11	228	5/15/84	2	Georgia	Stone Mountain, Ga.
49	Obiozor, Cyril	LB	6-4	259	9/26/86	R	Texas A&M	Pearland, Texas
67	Daniels, Stanley	G	6-4	328	11/30/84	1	Washington	San Diego, Calif.
95	Talley, Ronald	DE	6-3	286	2/21/86	R	Delaware	Detroit, Mich.
93	Toribio, Anthony	NT	6-1	315	3/1/85	1	Carson-Newman	Miami, Fla.

Injured Reserve

27	Blackmon, Will	CB	6-0	206	10/27/84	4	Boston College	Oct. 12 (knee)
46	Frischknecht, Devin	TE	6-3	258	11/6/86	R	Washington State	Aug. 25 (leg)
91	Harrell, Justin	DE	6-4	320	2/14/84	3	Tennessee	Sept. 5 (back)
22	Lee, Pat	CB	6-0	194	2/20/84	2	Auburn	Sept. 5 (knee)



No	NUMERICAL ROSTER	Pos	Ht	Wt	Age	NFL	College	How	Reg. season
						Exp		Acquired	GP/GS/DNP/IA
2	Mason Crosby	K	6-1	207	25	3	Colorado	D6c-07	5/0/0/0
7	Jeremy Kapinos	P	6-1	233	25	1	Penn State	FA-08	5/0/0/0
10	Matt Flynn	QB	6-2	225	24	2	Louisiana State	D7a-08	5/0/0/0
12	Aaron Rodgers	QB	6-2	220	25	5	California	D1-05	5/5/0/0
16	Brett Swain	WR	6-0	203	24	1	San Diego State	D7b-08 (FA-08)	5/0/0/0
20	Atari Bigby	S	5-11	213	28	4	Central Florida	FA-05	2/1/0/3
21	Charles Woodson	CB	6-1	202	33	12	Michigan	UFA-06 (Oak)	5/5/0/0
24	Jarrett Bush	CB/S	6-0	200	25	4	Utah State	W-06 (Car)	5/0/0/0
25	Ryan Grant	RB	6-1	222	26	3	Notre Dame	T-07 (NYG)	5/5/0/0
29	Derrick Martin	S	5-10	198	24	4	Wyoming	T-09 (BAL)	5/1/0/0
30	John Kuhn	FB	6-0	250	27	4	Shippensburg	W-07 (Pitt)	5/3/0/0
31	Al Harris	CB	6-1	190	34	12	Texas A&M-Kingsville	T-03 (Phil)	5/5/0/0
32	Brandon Jackson	RB	5-10	216	24	3	Nebraska	D2-07	1/0/0/4
33	Brandon Underwood	CB	6-1	191	23	R	Cincinnati	D6b-09	1/0/0/4
35	Korey Hall	FB	6-0	236	26	3	Boise State	D6a-07	4/1/0/1
36	Nick Collins	S	5-11	207	26	5	Bethune-Cookman	D2a-05	5/5/0/0
38	Tramon Williams	CB	5-11	191	26	3	Louisiana Tech	FA-06	5/1/0/0
41	Spencer Havner	TE/LB	6-3	250	26	1	UCLA	FA-08	5/0/0/0
42	DeShawn Wynn	RB	5-10	232	26	3	Florida	D7a-07 (FA-08)	4/0/0/1
45	Quinn Johnson	FB	6-1	255	23	R	Louisiana State	D5a-09	1/0/0/4
47	Matt Giordano	S	5-11	200	27	5	California	FA-09	2/0/0/1
50	A.J. Hawk	LB	6-1	250	25	4	Ohio State	D1-06	5/4/0/0
51	Brady Poppinga	LB	6-3	250	30	5	Brigham Young	D4b-05	5/3/0/0
52	Clay Matthews	LB	6-3	250	23	R	Southern California	D1b-09	5/2/0/0
54	Brandon Chillar	LB	6-3	237	27	6	UCLA	UFA-08 (StL)	5/3/0/0
55	Desmond Bishop	LB	6-2	238	25	3	California	D6b-07	5/0/0/0
56	Nick Barnett	LB	6-2	236	28	7	Oregon State	D1-03	5/5/0/0
59	Brad Jones	LB	6-3	239	23	R	Colorado	D7-09	3/0/0/2
61	Brett Goode	LS	6-1	261	24	2	Arkansas	FA-08	5/0/0/0
62	Evan Dietrich-Smith	G/C	6-2	305	23	R	Idaho State	FA-09	3/0/0/2
63	Scott Wells	C	6-2	300	28	6	Tennessee	D7-04 (FA-04)	4/3/1/0
65	Mark Tauscher	T	6-3	316	32	10	Wisconsin	D7a-00 (FA-09)	0/0/0/1
68	Breno Giacomini	T	6-7	311	24	2	Louisville	D5-08	0/0/0/5
70	T.J. Lang	G/T	6-4	316	22	R	Eastern Michigan	D4-09	5/0/0/0
71	Josh Sitton	G	6-3	322	23	2	Central Florida	D4b-08	5/5/0/0
72	Jason Spitz	C/G	6-3	307	26	4	Louisville	D3b-06	4/4/0/1
73	Daryn Colledge	G	6-4	308	27	4	Boise State	D2a-06	5/5/0/0
74	Aaron Kampman	LB	6-4	260	29	8	Iowa	D5a-02	5/5/0/0
76	Chad Clifton	T	6-5	320	33	10	Tennessee	D2-00	3/3/0/2
77	Cullen Jenkins	DE	6-2	305	28	6	Central Michigan	FA-04	5/5/0/0
78	Allen Barbre	T/G	6-4	305	25	3	Missouri Southern State	D4-07	5/5/0/0
79	Ryan Pickett	NT	6-2	340	30	9	Ohio State	UFA-06 (StL)	5/4/0/0
80	Donald Driver	WR	6-0	194	34	11	Alcorn State	D7b-99	5/5/0/0
85	Greg Jennings	WR	5-11	198	26	4	Western Michigan	D2b-06	5/3/0/0
86	Donald Lee	TE	6-4	248	29	7	Mississippi State	FA-05	5/5/0/0
87	Jordy Nelson	WR	6-3	217	24	2	Kansas State	D2a-08	5/0/0/0
88	Jermichael Finley	TE	6-5	247	22	2	Texas	D3-08	5/3/0/0
89	James Jones	WR	6-1	208	25	3	San Jose State	D3a-07	5/0/0/0
90	B.J. Raji	NT	6-2	337	23	R	Boston College	D1a-09	3/0/0/2
94	Jarius Wynn	DE	6-3	285	23	R	Georgia	D6a-09	4/0/0/1
96	Michael Montgomery	DE	6-5	282	26	5	Texas A&M	D6a-05	3/0/0/2
97	Johnny Jolly	DE	6-3	325	26	4	Texas A&M	D6a-06	5/5/0/0
99	Jeremy Thompson	LB	6-4	260	24	2	Wake Forest	D4a-08	2/0/0/3

Practice Squad

11	Brian Brohm	QB	6-3	223	24	2	Louisville	D2b-08	0/0/0/0
13	Jake Allen	WR	6-4	196	24	1	Mississippi College	FA-08	0/0/0/0
28	Kregg Lumpkin	RB	5-11	228	25	2	Georgia	FA-08	0/0/0/0
39	Trevor Ford	CB	6-0	188	23	R	Troy	FA-09	0/0/0/0
49	Cyril Obiozor	LB	6-4	259	23	R	Texas A&M	FA-09	0/0/0/0
67	Stanley Daniels	G	6-4	328	24	1	Washington	FA-09	0/0/0/0
93	Anthony Toribio	NT	6-1	315	24	1	Carson-Newman	FA-08	0/0/0/0
95	Ronald Talley	DE	6-3	286	23	R	Delaware	FA-09	0/0/0/0

Injured Reserve

22	Pat Lee	CB	6-0	194	25	2	Auburn	D2c-08	Sept. 5 (knee)
27	Will Blackmon	CB	6-0	206	24	4	Boston College	D4b-06	Oct. 12 (knee)
46	Devin Frischknecht	TE	6-3	258	22	R	Washington State	FA-09	Aug. 25 (leg)
91	Justin Harrell	DE	6-4	320	25	3	Tennessee	D1-07	Sept. 5 (back)