# 2013 Season - Game \#1 <br> New England Patriots 23, Buffalo Bills 21 

Sunday, Sept. 8, $2013 \star$ Ralph Wilson Stadium, Orchard Park, N.Y. * 1:02 p.m. EDT
Att: 65,519 * Surface: Turf $\star$ Weather: Sunny $\star$ Temp: $65^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: NE 11 mph * Time of Game: 3:13


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| New England Patriots (1-0) | 10 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 23 |  |
| Buffalo Bills (0-1) | 0 | 14 | 7 | 0 | 21 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |  |
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| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY ....................11-20-55\%... 4-13-31\% |  |  |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY ......................0-1-0\%......0-0-0\% |  |  |
| TOTAL NET YARDS .......................................431............ 286 |  |  |
| Total Offensive Plays......................................89............ 61 |  |  |
| NET YARDS RUSHING ...................................158........... 136 |  |  |
| NET YARDS PASSING | 273 | ... 150 |
| PUNTS Number and Average .......................6-39.3........9-45.8 |  |  |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards........................4/36........ 10/75 |  |  |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost | 2/2. | ...3/2 |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts........................ 2/2...........3/3 |  |  |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts .......................... 3/3............0/0 |  |  |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY ........................... 2-5-40\%... 2-2-100\% |  |  |
| TIME OF POSSESSION | 37:43 | 22:17 |
| PLAYS |  |  |
| Info) | Visitor | Home |
| stkowski kick) (3-16, 0:47) | 7 | 0 |
| 3) | 10 | 0 |
| ter kick) | 10 | 7 |
| stkowski kick) (4-32, 1:50) | 17 | 7 |
| Carpenter kick) (2-37, 0:29) | 17 | 14 |
| Carpenter kick) (11-80, 3:57) | 17 | 21 |
| 29) | 20 | 21 |
| 26) | 23 | 21 |


| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
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| Patriots | 1 | $10: 46$ | J.Edelman 9 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (3-16, 0:47) | 7 | 0 |
| Patriots | 1 | $4: 47$ | S.Gostkowski 48 yd. Field Goal (9-20, 3:43) | 10 | 0 |
| Bills | 2 | $8: 25$ | D.Searcy 74 yd. fumble return (D.Carpenter kick) | 10 |  |
| Patriots | 2 | $1: 55$ | J.Edelman 8 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) $(4-32,1: 50)$ | 17 |  |
| Bills | 2 | $0: 34$ | R.Woods 18 yd. pass from E.Manuel (D.Carpenter kick) $(2-37,0: 29)$ | 7 |  |
| Bills | 3 | $11: 03$ | S.Johnson 18 yd. pass from E.Manuel (D.Carpenter kick) $(11-80,3: 57)$ | 17 |  |
| Patriots | 4 | $10: 48$ | S.Gostkowski 33 yd. Field Goal (9-70, 3:29) | 17 |  |
| Patriots | 4 | $0: 05$ | S.Gostkowski 35 yd. Field Goal (12-49, 4:26) | 21 |  |

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

|  | NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING | ATT | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| S.Vereen | 14 | 101 | 7.2 | 21 | 0 |
| S.Ridley | 9 | 46 | 5.1 | 20 | 0 |
| L.Blount | 7 | 15 | 2.1 | 5 | 0 |
| T.Brady | 5 | -4 | -0.8 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 8}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | ---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| T. Brady | 52 | 29 | 288 | $2 / 15$ | 2 | 35 | 1 | 76.4 |
| Total | $\mathbf{5 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 8}$ | $\mathbf{2 / 1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3 5}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{7 6 . 4}$ |
| PASS RECEIVING | NO |  | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |  |  |
| D.Amendola | 10 |  | 104 | 10.4 | 24 | 0 |  |  |
| J.Edelman | 7 | 79 | 11.3 | 35 | 2 |  |  |  |
| S.Vereen | 7 |  | 58 | 8.3 | 19 | 0 |  |  |
| K.Thompkins |  | 4 |  | 42 | 10.5 | 20 | 0 |  |
| M.Hoomanawanui | 1 |  | 5 | 5.0 | 5 | 0 |  |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 8 8}$ | $\mathbf{9 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{3 5}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |  |  |
| INTERCEPTIONS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |  |  |

NONE

| PUNTING | NO | YDS |  | AVG | TB | IN20 |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Allen | 6 |  | 236 | 39.3 | 1 | LG |
| Total | $\mathbf{6}$ |  | $\mathbf{2 3 6}$ | $\mathbf{3 9 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |
|  |  |  | $\mathbf{6 5}$ |  |  |  |
| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG |
| J.Edelman | 3 | 32 | 10.7 | 2 | 16 | TD |
| (DOWNED) | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) |  | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KICKOFF RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG |
| L.Blount | 2 | 35 | 17.5 | 0 | 22 | TD |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| BUFFALO BILLS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING | ATT |  | YDS |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| F.Jackson | 13 |  | 67 |  | 5.2 |  | 13 | 0 |
| C.Spiller | 17 |  | 41 |  | 2.4 |  | 9 | 0 |
| E.Manuel | 3 |  | 23 |  | 7.7 |  | 19 | 0 |
| T.Graham | 1 |  | 5 |  | 5.0 |  | 5 | 0 |
| Total 1 | 34 |  | 136 |  | 4.0 |  | 19 | 0 |
| Total | 27 |  | 98 |  | 3.6 |  | 14 | 0 |
| PASSING ATT | CMP | YDS |  | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| E.Manuel 27 | 18 | 150 |  | 0/0 | 2 | 19 | 0 | 105.5 |
| Total 27 | 18 | 150 |  | 0/0 | 2 | 19 | 0 | 105.5 |
| PASS RECEIVING | NO |  | YDS |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| C.Spiller | 5 |  | 14 | 4 | 2.8 |  | 7 | 0 |
| F.Jackson | 4 |  | 41 |  | 10.3 |  | 14 | 0 |
| S.Chandler | 4 |  | 38 |  | 9.5 |  | 19 | 0 |
| S.Johnson | 3 |  | 39 | 9 | 13.0 |  | 18 | 1 |
| R.Woods | 1 |  | 18 | 8 | 18.0 |  | 18 | 1 |
| Total | 18 |  | 150 |  | 8.3 |  | 19 | 2 |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO |  | YDS |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| J.Rogers | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |  | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |  | 0 | 0 |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| S.Powell | 9 |  | 412 | 45.8 | 1 | 3 | 57 |
| Total | $\mathbf{9}$ |  | $\mathbf{4 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 5 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5 7}$ |
|  |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| PUNT RETURNS | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| L.McKelvin | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| (DOWNED) |  | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) |  | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) |  | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| T.Graham | 1 | 19 | 19.0 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 5 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT BILLS

\section*{PATRIOTS 23, BUFFALO 21 <br> September 8, 2013 * Ralph Wilson Stadium <br> |  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| New England Patriots | 10 | 7 | 0 | $6-$ | $\mathbf{2 3}$ |
| Buffalo Bills | 0 | 14 | 7 | $0-$ | $\mathbf{2 1}$ |}

Tom Brady helped New England overcome a 21-17 fourth quarter deficit by marching the Patriots 49 yards in 12 plays to set up a game-winning 35 -yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski with 5 seconds to play for a 23-21 seasonopening win over the Buffalo Bills at Ralph Wilson Stadium.

It was the $10^{\text {th }}$ straight season opening win for the Patriots, who joined Dallas (17), Miami (11) and Portsmouth/Detroit (10) as the only teams with at least 10 straight opening day wins. Brady, is $11-1$ as the starting quarterback on opening day, the best among any starting quarterback in the Super Bowl era.

During the game-winning drive, Brady twice completed passes to convert on third down to WR Danny Amendola. Facing a third-and-3 from the New England 41-yard line, Brady connected with Amendola for a 6 -yard gain. Later in the series, Brady completed a 10 -yard pass to Amendola to convert a third-and-8 situation from the Buffalo 39-yard line. RB Shane Vereen scrambled for a 15 -yard gain on the next play to get to the Buffalo 14 -yard line and into position for the game-winning field goal. Brady finished 29-of-52 for 288 yards with two touchdowns. Amendola caught 10 passes for 104 yards, and Vereen registered his first 100 -yard rushing game after gaining 101 yards on 14 carries. Julian Edelman, the veteran among the Patriots young receiving corps, caught seven passes for 79 yards, including two touchdown passes.

The Patriots turned the ball over three times, two of which led directly to Buffalo scores, while the other prevented a Patriots score after they reached the Bills' 1yard line.

New England jumped to a 10-0 first quarter lead and were in front 17-7 early in the second quarter Before Buffalo closed the half with a 14-point second quarter and then took a 21-17 lead with a touchdown on the first drive in the third quarter.

While Buffalo built a 21-17 lead heading into the fourth quarter, they managed just three first downs and 73 yards on their final five possessions. After trailing the entire first half, Buffalo rookie QB EJ Manuel put the Bills ahead after capping an 80-yard drive with an 18 -yard touchdown pass to WR Stevie Johnson on the first series of the third quarter.

Turnovers led to all four touchdowns in the first half. Patriots CB Kyle Arrington forced two fumbles, one on a hit to Buffalo RB C.J. Spiller and the other on a hit to WR Marquise Goodwin. Both forced fumbles came inside Buffalo territory and set up Edelman's 9 -yard touchdown reception and his 8 -yard touchdown catch.

After New England took a 10-0 first quarter lead, RB Stevan Ridley lost his footing and the ball with the Patriots at the Buffalo 24 -yard line in the second quarter. Buffalo S Da'Norris Searcy recovered the ball and raced 74 yards for a touchdown get Buffalo on the scorebaord. Later in the second quarter, Brady was intercepted by CB Justin Rogers on a tipped pass at the New England 37 yards in the closing minutes of the half. Manuel connected on a 19 -yard pass to TE Scott Chandler and then an 18 -yard touchdown pass to WR Robert Wood to cut the Patriots lead to 17-14 at the end of the first half.

## PATRIOTS 23, BUFFALO 21 (continued)

The Patriots had two chances to recapture the lead in the second half. After Buffalo opened the second half with a touchdown drive to take the lead, Brady engineered a 15play, 79 -yard drive that ended when Brady fumbled the snap on a fourth-down play from the Buffalo 1 -yard line on the ensuing drive. In the fourth quarter, the Patriots reached the Buffalo 5 -yard line before settling for a field goal and a 2120 deficit midway through the final quarter.

## KRAFT PRODUCES MORE WINS THAN EVERY

OTHER PATRIOT OWNER COMBINED
The win over Buffalo was the $226^{\text {th }}$ victory overall under Robert Kraft. He has now produced more victories than every other Patriots owner combined. Under Kraft, the Patriots are 226-110 overall since he purchased the team in 1994. Kraft's predecessors in the owner's office went 225-276-9 in the 34 years prior to his purchase of the team.

## PATRIOTS WIN 10 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ STRAIGHT SEASON

## OPENER

The Patriots earned their $10^{\text {th }}$ straight season opening win and joined Dallas (17, 1965-1981), Miami (11, 1992-2002) and Portsmouth/Detroit (10, 1930-1939) as the only teams with 10 straight opening day wins. The Patriots ten opening day wins is the longest streak in the NFL. Of the 10 wins, four of the have been on the road including todays' win over Buffalo . The Patriots won at the Jets in 2007, at Miami in 2011 and at Tennessee in 2012.

## MOST CONSECUTUVE

| Team | OPENING DAY WINS | YEARS |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Dallas | 17 | $(1965-1981)$ |
| Miami | 11 | $(1992-2002)$ |
| New England | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{( 2 0 0 4 - 2 0 1 3 )}$ |
| Portsmouth/Detroit | 10 | $(1930-1939)$ |
| Chicago | 9 | $(1984-1992)$ |

TOM BRADY HAS THE BEST RECORD ON OPENING DAY IN SUPER BOWL ERA
Tom Brady improved to an 11-1 record as a starting quarterback on opening day, the best record among any starting quarterback in the Super Bowl era.
NFL QUARTERBACKS WITH THE BEST RECORD IN SEASON-OPENING GAMES

| Player Season Opening Record | WIN PCT |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Tom Brady | $\mathbf{1 1 - 1}$ | $\mathbf{. 9 1 7}$ |
| John Elway | $12-4$ | .750 |
| Dan Fouts | $9-3$ | .750 |
| Peyton Manning | $11-4$ | .733 |

## PATRIOTS FORCE A TUNROVER FOR IN THE $28^{\text {TH }}$ STRAIGHT GAME

The Patriots have forced a turnover in 28 straight games dating back to 2011, and including all 16 regular season games of 2012 after CB Kyle Arrington forced a fumble that was recovered by DL Tommy Kelly in the first quarter. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 19851990. The last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT BILLS

## BRADY EXTENDS HIS STREAK TO 49 GAMES

 WITH AT LEAST ONE TOUCHDOWNTom Brady extended his streak to 49 straight games with at least one touchdown in the first quarter with his 9 -yard touchdown pass to WR Julian Edelman. It is the second longest touchdown streak in NFL history, behind Drew Braes (54) and the longest active streak.

MOST CONSECUTIVE GAMES, TOUCHDOWN PASSES

| Player | Games |
| :--- | :--- |
| Drew Braes (2009-2012) | 54 |

Tom Brady (2010-current) 49

Johnny Unites (1956-60) 47
Brett Favre (2002-04) 36
Dan Marino (1985-87) 30
EDELMAN NOW QUALIFIES FOR THE HIGHEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE IN NFL HISTORY
Edelman returned three punts against Buffalo for 32 yards and now has returned 75 punts for 975 yards during his Patriots' career and is first in team history and in the NFL with a 13.0 average. Edelman entered the game with 72 punt returns and needed to reach 75 to qualify for the NFL all-time lead.
highest punt return average in the nfl

| (75 Returns) |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Player | Punt Rat Avg. | Year |
| Julian Edelman | $\mathbf{1 3 . 0}(\mathbf{7 5 - 9 7 5 )}$ | (2009-present) |
| George MCAfee (Chicago) | $12.8(112-1,431)$ | $(1940-41,1945-150)$ |
| Jack Christiansen (Detroit) | $12.8(85-1,084)$ | (9951-58) |
| Claude Gibson (SD, OAK) | $12.5(110-1,381)$ | (1961-65) |
| Bill Duddey (PIIT, DEN, wAS) | $12.2(124-1,515)$ | (1942-53) |
| Devin Hester (Chicago) | $12.1(247-2,986)$ | (2006-present) |
| Rick Upchurch (DEN) | $12.1(248-3,008)$ | (1975-83) |
|  |  |  |

HIGHEST PUNT RETURN AVERAGE, PATRIOTS CAREER (20 Returns)

| Player | Punt Rat Avg. | Year |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| Julian Edelman | $\mathbf{1 3 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 0 9 - 3}(75-975)$ |
| Mack Herron | 12.0 | $1973-75(74-888)$ |
| Carl Garrett | 11.3 | $1969-72(43-487)$ |
| Wes Welker | 10.4 | $2007-12(114-1,185)$ |

## EDELMAN HAS FIRST REGULAR SEAOSN GAME

## WITH TWO RECEIVING TOUCHDOWNS

Julian Edelman caught a 9-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the first quarter and an 8 -yard touchdown pass from Brady in the second quarter. It is his first regular season game with two touchdown receptions. As a rookie in 2009, Edelman caught two touchdown passes vs. Baltimore on Jan. 10, 2009 in a postseason game when he scored on a 6 -yard pass and a 1 -yard pass to become the first Patriots rookie to catch two touchdown passes in a postseason game.

## BRADY LEADS THE PATRIOTS TO HIS 27 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ COMEBACK WHEN TRAILING IN THE FOURTH QUARTER

Tom Brady has now led the Patriots to 27 comeback wins when trailing in the fourth quarter after overcoming a 21-17 fourth quarter deficit in a 23-21 win.

| Player | Teams | Comebeack Drives |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| John Elway | Denver | 43 |
| Peyton Manning | Indy/Denver | 38 |
| Dan Marino | Miami | 37 |
| Joe Montana | SF/KC | 31 |
| Brett Favre | GB/NYJ/MIN | 28 |
| Tom Brady | Patriots | $\mathbf{2 7}$ |

BRADY BECOMES THE NINTH NFL PLAYER TO REACH 45,000 PASSING YARDS
Brady $(45,094)$ became the ninth NFL player to reach 45,000 passing yards on a 35 -yard pass to WR Julian Edelman. He entered the Buffalo game needing 194 yards passing to reach the milestone.

| Player | Passing yards |
| :--- | :--- |
| 1. Brett Favre | 71,838 |
| 2. Dan Marino | 61,361 |
| 3. Peyton Manning | 59,949 |
| 4. John Elway | 51,475 |
| 5. Warren Moon | 49,325 |
| 6. Fran Tarkenton | 47,003 |
| 7. Drew Brees | 46,276 |
| 8. Vinny Testaverde | 46,233 |
| 9. Tom Brady | $\mathbf{4 5 , 0 9 4}$ |

ROB NINKOVICH RECOVERED HIS 10 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ FUMBLE SINCE 2010
Rob Ninkovich recovered a second quarter fumble that was forced by Kyle Arrington. Ninkovich has the most fumble recoveries of any NFL player over the last four years (201013) with ten. Vince Wilfork is second with seven opponent fumble recoveries during that time.

## KYLE ARRINGTON FORCED TWO FUMBLES

Kyle Arrington forced a fumble in the first quarter when he stripped Buffalo RB C.J. Spiller at the Buffalo 11-yard line to help set up a touchdown. In the second quarter, he forced a fumble that was recovered by the Patriots at the Buffalo 32yard line.

## PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO 11 STRAIGHT OVER AFC EAST OPPONENTS

The Patriots extended their streak to 11 straight wins over AFC East opponents. After losing at Buffalo, 34-31 in 2011, the Patriots won their remaining four AFC East games that year and then finished a perfect 6-0 against AFC opponents in 2012. The Patriots previous longest winning streak against AFC opponents was 9 games, starting on Sept. 21, 2003 with a 23-16 win vs. NY Jets and ending on Dec. 20, 2004 with a 29-28 loss at Miami.

## SHANE VEREEN REGISTERS FIRST 100-YARD GAME

Shane Vereen set a career-high with his first 100 -yard rushing day after finishing with 14 carries for 101 yards. 14 carries for 101 yards. His previous best was 49 yards vs. New York Jets on Oct. 21, 2012. Last season, the Patriots had five 100 -yard rushing performances with Stevan Ridley having four and Brandon Bolden recording one.
DANNY AMENDOLA RECORDS 100-YARD GAME WR Danny Amendola recorded his third career 100-yard game after finishing with 10 receptions for 104 yards. It was his fourth NFL 10 -plus reception game. Seven of Amendola's 10 receptions came on third down. All seven of those receptions resulted in a first down.

GOSTKOWSKI NAILS A 35-YARD GAMEWINNING FIELD GOAL
K Stephen Gostkowski nailed a 35 -yard field goal with 5 seconds to play. His only other game-winning field goal was in overtime vs. Baltimore on Oct. 17, 2010 when he kicked a 35 -yarder to give the Patriots a $23-20$ overtime win.

# 2013 Season - Game \#2 <br> New England Patriots 13, New York Jets 10 

Thursday, Sept. 12, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. * 8:25 p.m. EDT
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf * Weather: Partly Cloudy* Temp: $72^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: S 8 mph * Time of Game: 3:24


## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. JETS

| PATRIOTS 13, NEW YORK JETS 10 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September 12, 2013 * Gillette Stadium |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Final |
| New York Jets | 3 | 0 | 7 | 0- | 10 |
| New England Patriots | 10 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 13 |

The New England Patriots defense held the New York Jets to 10 points and forced four turnovers, including three fourth-quarter interceptions in a 13-10 win before a national audience on Thursday Night Football. It was the Patriots $12^{\text {th }}$ straight win against an AFC East Divisional opponent.

Holding a slim 13-10 fourth quarter lead, the Patriots defense ended three of the Jets' final four drives with interceptions, including two by CB Aqib Talib and one by CB Alfonzo Dennard.

Talib forced three Jets turnovers overall. In addition to his two fourth-quarter interceptions, Talib forced a fumble in the first quarter when he stripped Stephen Hill of the ball to give the Patriots a first down at the 11 -yard line to set up a field goal. In the fourth quarter, with the Jets at the Patriots' 27yard line looking to tie the game or take the lead, Talib grabbed a QB Geno Smith pass that was tipped by CB Kyle Arrington to halt a Jets scoring threat. Then, with 48 seconds left in the game, Talib intercepted another Smith pass at the Jets' 46 -yard line to give the Patriots possession and allow New England to run out the clock and seal the 1310 win.

Despite a night when the Patriots had more punts (11) than first downs (9), and QB Tom Brady completing only 19 of 39 passes for 185 yards, the team took a $10-0$ first quarter lead and had a chance to take a big lead before the half. After adding a second quarter field goal for a 13-3 advantage, Brady appeared to connect with rookie WR Kenbrell Thompkins for 25 -yard touchdown pass with 24 seconds to play in the first half. The play was reviewed and reversed and four plays later, K Stephen Gostkowski missed a 43-yard field goal.

Brady opened the game with a 6 -play, 81 -yard drive that was culminated when rookie WR Aaron Dobson caught a 39yard touchdown pass on his very first NFL play from scrimmage. It was Brady's $50^{\text {th }}$ straight game with at least one touchdown, joining Drew Brees as the only two quarterbacks with streak of at least 50 touchdown passes.

Later in the period, Talib's forced fumble helped set up a 21 -yard field goal by Gostkowski for a 10 - first quarter lead.

A 38 -yard pass from Brady to rookie WR Kenbrell Thompkins helped get in position for a 30 -yard Gostkowski field goal in the second quarter for a 13-3 lead.

The New England offense managed just three first downs and 61 yards in the second half and did not score any points.

The Jets cut the lead to 13-10 on RB Bilal Powell's 3-yard touchdown run with 5:05 left in the third quarter. Then Smith threw three fourth quarter interceptions to help seal the win for the Patriots.

## BRADY EXTENDS STREAK TO 50 GAMES WITH <br> AT LEAST ONE TOUCHDOWN; JOINS DREW <br> BREES AS THE ONLY PLAYERS WITH A STREAK OF AT LEAST 50 TDS

Tom Brady extended his streak to 50 straight games with at least one touchdown in the first quarter with his 39 -yard touchdown pass to WR Aaron Dobson. It is the second longest touchdown streak in NFL history, behind Drew Brees (54) and the longest active streak. Brady and Brees are the only NFL players with streak of 50 or more consecutive games with at least one touchdown.

PATRIOTS DEFENSE COMES UP BIG
The Patriots defense held the Jets to 10 points and forced four turnovers, including three fourth-quarter interceptions. Holding a slim 13-10 lead, the Patriots defense ended three of the Jets' final four drives with interceptions, including two by Aqib Talib and one by Alfonzo Dennard. New England added four sacks, including two from Chandler Jones.

TALIB FORCED THREE TURNOVERS
Cornerback Aqib Talib forced three Jets turnovers, including a pair of fourth-quarter interceptions to help seal the 13-10 win. In the first quarter, Talib forced a fumble when he stripped Stephen Hill of the ball to give the Patriots a first down at the 11 -yard line to set up a field goal. In the fourth quarter, with the Jets at the Patriots' 27 -yard line looking to tie the game or take the lead, Talib grabbed a Geno Smith pass that was tipped by Kyle Arrington to halt a Jets scoring threat. Then, with 48 seconds left in the game, Talib intercepted another Smith pass at the Jets' 46 -yard line to give the Patriots possession and allow New England to run out the clock and seal the 13-10 win.

## AARON DOBSON SCORES ON FIRST NFL PLAY

2013 second round draft pick WR Aaron Dobson scored on a 39-yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the first quarter on the first play of his NFL career. Dobson was inactive for the season opener at Buffalo. He is the first Patriots player to catch a touchdown on his first career reception since TE Rob Gronkowski scored on a 1-yard touchdown catch on Sept. 12, 2010 vs. Cincinnati in the season opener.

## EDELMAN SETS CAREER HIGH WITH 13 <br> RECEPTIONS

Julian Edelman had 13 receptions for 78 yards, setting a new career high for most catches in a game. Edelman's previous career high was 10 receptions for 103 yards on Jan. 3,2010 in the 2009 regular season finale at Houston. The Patriots have now had a player with at least 10 catches in each of their games this season.

## BRADY COMPLETES TWO 30-YARD PASSES TO <br> \section*{ROOKIE WIDE RECEIVERS}

Tom Brady had two passes to rookie wide receivers for more than 30 yards. Brady had a 39 -yard touchdown to rookie WR Aaron Dobson in the first quarter and then hit a 38yarder to WR Kenbrell Thompkins in the second quarter to set up a field goal.

## PATRIOTS FORCE A TURNOVER FOR THE 29 STRAIGHT GAME

The Patriots have now forced a turnover in 29 straight games dating back to 2011, including all 16 regular season games of 2012 and now the first two games of 2013 after CB Aqib Talib forced a fumble that was recovered by DB Devin McCourty in the first quarter. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 1985-1990. The last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

DENNARD HAS FOURTH CAREER INTERCEPTION
Second-year cornerback Alfonzo Dennard intercepted New York's Geno Smith at the Patriots' 31-yard line in the fourth quarter with New England holding a 13-10 lead. The interception was Dennard's first of the 2013 season and the fourth of his career. As a rookie in 2012, Dennard had three interceptions, including one returned 87 yards for a touchdown against Indianapolis on Nov. 18, 2012.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. JETS

## PATRIOTS OFF TO A 2-0 START

The Patriots are off to a 2-0 start for the 12th time in team history and the seventh time under head coach Bill Belichick. Belichick has led the Patriots to a 2-0 start in 2002, 2004, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011 and now 2013. The Patriots also started 2-0 in 1964, 1974, 1986,1997 and 1999.

## BELICHICK CLOSING IN ON FIFTH ON THE ALLTIME COACHING LIST

Bill Belichick won his 207th career game, bringing him within two wins of Chuck Noll for fifth place on the NFL's all-time wins list.

## CHANDLER JONES HAS SECOND TWO-SACK

 GAME OF HIS CAREERDE Chandler Jones tied his career high with his second two sack game. He had his first two-sack game at Seattle on Oct. 14, 2012. Jones sacked Jets QB Geno Smith twice in the second quarter. First, he dropped Smith for an 11-yard loss on third-and-5 in the second quarter, forcing a Jets punt on the next play. On the Jets' next drive, Jones sacked Smith again, this time for a 5 -yard loss.

## PATRIOTS IMPROVE TO 11-1 IN HOME OPENERS AT GILLETTE STADIUM

With the win, the Patriots are now 11-1 all-time in home openers at Gillette Stadium. New England is now 30-24 overall in home openers.

## BRADY MOVES PAST DREW BLEDSOE INTO SEVENTH PLACE ON THE NFL COMPLETION LIST

Brady ( 3,846 completions) moved past Drew Bledsoe $(3,839)$ into seventh place on the NFL's all-time completion list. Brady entered the game needing 13 completions and reached the milestone in the third quarter on a 10 -yard pass to WR Julian Edelman. Warren Moon is in sixth place with 3,988 career pass career completions.

## PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO 12 STRAIGHT

## WINS OVER AFC EAST OPPONENTS

The Patriots extended their streak to 12 straight wins over AFC East opponents. After losing at Buffalo, 34-31 in 2011, the Patriots won their remaining four AFC East games that year and then finished a perfect 6-0 against AFC East opponents in 2012. The Patriots first two wins of the 2013 season were against AFC East opponents. The Patriots previous longest winning streak against AFC opponents was 9 games, starting on Sept. 21, 2003 with a 23-16 win vs. NY Jets and ending on Dec. 20, 2004 with a 29-28 loss at Miami.

The Patriots are tied with Baltimore (2010-12), Green Bay (2010-12) and Indianapolis (2004-06) for the longest winning streak against division opponents since realignment in 2002. It is the longest current streak. Denver is second with six straight division wins.

PATRIOTS ARE THE NFL'S BEST AT HOME
Since their state-of-the-art facility opened at the beginning of the 2002 season, the Patriots own the NFL's best record at home overall. The Patriots own an overall record of 74-15 (.831) at Gillette Stadium in regular season games and an 84-18 (.824) record including playoffs.

PATRIOTS ARE SHARP AT GILLETTE
The Patriots own an overall record of 74-15 (.831) at Gillette Stadium in regular season games.

## WASHINGTON AND MULLIGAN MAKE THEIR <br> PATRIOTS DEBUTS; DOBSON AND HARMON MAKE NFL DEBUTS

Leon Washington and Matthew Mulligan made their Patriots debuts, while 2013 draft picks WR Aaron Dobson and DB Duron Harmon made their NFL debuts. Washington, Dobson and Harmon were inactive in the season opener. Mulligan was re-signed by the team during the week.

## QUICK HITS

## QUICK HITS

- Michael Buchanan had his first career sack, a 6-yarder of Jets QB Geno Smith on third-and-15 in the second quarter to force a Jets punt on the next play.
- Dont'a Hightower pushed New York's Tommy Bohanon out of bounds for a 3 -yard loss on a third-quarter pass play, setting up a third-and-11 that the Jets did not convert. At the time, the Patriots were clinging to a $13-$ 10 lead and the Jets had the ball looking to tie the score or take the lead.
- Kyle Arrington tipped a Geno Smith pass in the fourth quarter intended for Clyde Gates that was intercepted by Aqib Talib. The turnover came with the Jets driving inside the Patriots' 30 -yard line and New England holding a 13-10 fourth-quarter lead.
- Kyle Arrington broke up a deep Geno Smith pass intended for WR Clyde Gates in the second quarter.


# 2013 Season - Game \#3 <br> New England Patriots 23, Tampa Bay Buccaneers 3 

Sunday, Sept. 22, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. * 1:02 p.m. EDT
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf * Weather: Sunny * Temp: $65^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: WNW $9 \mathrm{mph} *$ Time of Game: 2:59


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Tampa Bay Buccaneers (0-3) | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| New England Patriots (3-0) | 0 | 17 | 3 | 3 | 23 |

## TEAM STATISTICS

Visitor: TB Home: NE
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS.............................................................. 21
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY ............... 5 .
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY ............................... 0-4-0\%..... 1-2-50\% TOTAL NET YARDS ............................................323............. 358
Total Offensive Plays............................................66.............. 72
NET YARDS RUSHING .........................................97............. 156
NET YARDS PASSING ........................................226............. 202
PUNTS Number and Average ..........................3-49.7.........3-42.7
PENALTIES Number and Yards..........................4/48........... 6/50
FUMBLES Number and Lost ................................ 0/0............. 0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts........................... 0/0............. 2/2
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts ............................. 1/2............. 3/3
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY ............................... 0-2-0\%..... 2-5-40\%
TIME OF POSSESSION ....................................26:59..........33:01


## gAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. BUCCANEERS

| PATRIOTS 23, TAMPA BAY 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| September 22, 2013 |  |  |  |  |  | $\mathbf{*}$ Gillette Stadium |
|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |  |
| Tampa Bay Buccaneers | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 17 | 3 | 3 | - | $\mathbf{2 3}$ |

The New England Patriots improved to a 3-0 start for the eighth time in team history and for the first time since 2007 with a 23-3 victory over the Tampa Bay Buccaneers.

The Patriots defense held the Buccaneers to just three points despite driving into New England territory six times. The Buccaneers missed a 38 -yard field goal on the first drive of the game and were stopped on fourth-down attempts four times inside Patriots territory.

After falling behind, $3-0$, in the first quarter, the Patriots scored 23 unanswered points, including a 17-point second quarter.

Tom Brady, who finished 25 -of- 36 for 225 yards, threw two touchdown passes to rookie WR Kenbrell Thompkins in the second quarter for a 14-3 lead. Brady culminated an 11play, 66 -yard drive when he connected with Thompkins for a 16 -yard touchdown pass. That drive was kept alive when Brady converted a fourth-and-2 situation with a 6 -yard pass to WR Aaron Dobson. Brady's second touchdown pass to Thompkins was a 5 -yard scoring pass that finished a $10-$ play, 62 -yard drive.

Aqib Talib intercepted Buccaneers QB Josh Freeman with 16 seconds to play in the first half to give the Patriots a first down at the Tampa Bay 43 -yard line with 11 seconds to play. Brady completed a short pass to RB Brandon Bolden and then scrambled up the middle for 5 yards to help get in position for a 53 -yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski for a 17-3 lead.

Gostkowski added a 46 -yard field goal in the third quarter and a 33-yard field goal in the fourth quarter for a 23-3 final.

The Patriots ground game produced 156 yards on 33 attempts for a 4.7 -yard average. RB LeGarrette Blount led the team with 65 yards, while RB Brandon Bolden finished with 51 yards on three carries, including a career-long 46yard run in the third quarter. Bolden accounted for 100 yards from scrimmage with 51 yards rushing and 49 yards receiving.

## PATRIOTS OFF TO A 3-0 START FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 2007

The Patriots are 3-0 for the eighth time in team history and for the first time since 2007. New England is now 3-0 for the fourth time under Head Coach Bill Belichick. The Patriots also started 3-0 in 1964, 1974, 1997, 1999, 2002, 2004 and 2007. In the NFL since 1990, 75.4 percent of teams ( 86 of 114) that started 3-0 have made the playoffs.

## PATRIOTS DEFENSE STARTS 2013 SEASON STRONG; TEAM ALLOWS FEWEST POINTS THROUGH THREE GAMES SINCE 1979

The Patriots have allowed a total of 34 points through three games this season. The Patriots defense has allowed only 27 points this season (seven opponent points came on a fumble return). The 34 total points allowed by the Patriots are the fewest for the team through three games since 1979, when New England started the season by allowing 33 points in the first three games (losing 16-13 to Pittsburgh in overtime, beating the New York Jets $56-3$, and then winning 20-14 at Cincinnati). The 34 points allowed are the second fewest in team history in the first three games, trailing only the 1979 team.

## PATRIOTS DEFENSE ALLOWS THREE POINTS IN SOLID DEFENSIVE EFFORT

The New England defense allowed only three Tampa Bay points, marking the third consecutive home game the Patriots defense has allowed 10 points or less and the first time since 1997 that the Patriots defense has allowed three points or less in a September game. New England closed out the 2012 regular season with a 28-0 shutout of Miami at Gillette Stadium and opened its 2012 home slate with a 1310 win over the New York Jets on Sept. 12. The last time New England allowed three points or fewer in a September game was in a 31-3 win over Chicago at Foxboro Stadium on Sept. 21, 1997. The last time the Patriots defense held an opponent to less than 10 points in a September game was on Sept. 23, 2007, in a 38-7 win over Buffalo in Foxborough.

## PATRIOTS GROUND GAME TOTALS 156

RUSHING YARDS
The Patriots gained 156 rushing yards on 33 carries (4.7 avg.) against Tampa Bay, marking the second time in three games this season that New England has eclipsed the 150 rushing plateau. The Patriots had 158 rushing yards in the season opener at Buffalo. Against Tampa Bay, the Patriots racked up their rushing total against a Buccaneers defense that allowed the fewest rushing yards in the NFL in 2012 (82.5 yards per game).

PATRIOTS FORCE A TURNOVER FOR THE 30 STRAIGHT GAME
The Patriots have now forced a turnover in 30 straight games dating back to 2011, and including all 16 regular season games of 2012 and now the first three games of 2013 after CB Aqib Talib intercepted QB Josh Freeman in the second quarter. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 1985-1990. The last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

## PATRIOTS STOP TAMPA BAY ON FOURTH DOWN FOUR TIMES

The New England defense stopped Tampa Bay on fourth down four times in Patriots territory today, holding the Buccaneers to 0 -for-4 on fourth downs. The Patriots stopped two Tampa Bay fourth-down conversion attempts in New England territory in the first half as the New England defense allowed only three first-half points. New England added two more fourth-down stops in the fourth quarter. The first-half fourth-down stops occurred at the Patriots' 34yard line and 38 -yard line. The fourth-quarter fourth-down stops happened at the Patriots' 34 -yard line and 17 -yard line.

## BRANDON BOLDEN MAKES 2013 DEBUT AND MAKES FIRST CAREER START, TOTALS 100 YARDS FROM SCRIMMAGE

RB Brandon Bolden made his 2013 season debut after missing the first two games of the year and made his first NFL start against Tampa Bay. Bolden led the team with exactly 100 yards from scrimmage (51 rushing, 49 receiving). Bolden's 100 yards from scrimmage were the second-highest such total of his career, trailing only his 148 yards from scrimmage at Buffalo on Sept. 20, 2012 (137 rushing, 11 receiving).

## BOLDEN HAS CAREER LONG RUN IN THE THIRD QUARTER

RB Brandon Bolden had a career-long 46 -yard run in the third quarter. His previous best was a 27 -yard run at Buffalo on Sept. 30, 2012. It was the longest run by a Patriots player since Nov. 18, 2012 when WR Julian Edelman had a 47 -yard run. It is the longest run by a Patriots running back since Sammy Morris had a 55 -yard run on Dec. 27, 2009 vs. Jacksonville.

BOLDEN HAS CAREER-BEST RECEIVING PERFORMANCE
Brandon Bolden set career highs with five receptions and 49 receiving yards. Coming into the game, Bolden had two career receptions for 11 yards.

## KENBRELL THOMPKINS SCORES FIRST NFL TOUCHDOWNS

Rookie WR Kenbrell Thompkins scored his first two NFL touchdowns against Tampa Bay. Thompkins tallied his first career score on a 16 -yard pass from QB Tom Brady in the second quarter. He added his second touchdown on a 5 -yard reception from Brady with 47 seconds to play in the first half.

## BELICHICK ONE WIN AWAY FROM TYING CHUCK NOLL FOR FIFTH PLACE ALL-TIME

Bill Belichick won his 208th career game, bringing him within one win of Chuck Noll for fifth place on the NFL's all-time wins list.

STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI TIES CAREER HIGH
K Stephen Gostkowski tied a career-high with a 53 -yard field goal at the end of the first half. He also had a 53 -yard field goal vs. Arizona on Sept. 16, 2012 and at Denver on Oct. 11, 2009. Gostkowski was a perfect 3 -for-3 on field goals against Tampa Bay.

## GOSTKOWSKI TIES PATRIOTS RECORD WITH HIS EIGHTH FIELD GOAL OF 50 OR MORE YARDS

Stephen Gostkowski's 53 -yard field goal at the end of the first half was his eighth 50 -yard field goal. He is now tied with Adam Vinatieri for the most field goals in team history of 50 or more yards with eight.

## AQIB TALIB HAS THIRD INTERCEPTION OF 2013

Aqib Talib intercepted a Josh Freeman pass at the Tampa Bay 43 -yard line with 16 seconds left in the first half to set up a quick Patriots field goal that gave New England a 17-3 halftime lead. Talib's interception was his third in as many quarters, having had a pair of fourth-quarter interceptions against the Jets last week.
EDELMAN SURPASSES 2012 RECEIVING TOALS
Julian Edelman has 27 receptions through three games in 2013, already surpassing his 2012 season total (21). Edelman's career high for receptions is 37 catches, achieved as a rookie in 2009.

## BRADY EXTENDS HIS STREAK TO 51 GAMES WITH AT LEAST ONE TOUCHDOWN

Tom Brady extended his streak to 51 straight games with at least one touchdown in the second quarter with his 16 -yard touchdown pass to WR Kenbrell Thompkins. It is the second longest touchdown streak in NFL history, behind Drew Brees (54) and the longest active streak. Brady and Brees are the only NFL players with streaks of 50 or more consecutive games with at least one touchdown.

## DEFENSE QUICK HITS

- Devin McCourty reached in to break up a Josh Freeman pass intended for Mike Williams in the end zone in the first quarter.
- Alfonzo Dennard broke up a Josh Freeman pass intended for Kevin Ogletree on third down in the fourth quarter, setting up a fourth down that the Buccaneers did not convert. On Tampa Bay's next drive, Dennard broke up a Freeman pass intended for Eric Page on second down, setting up a third-and-nine that the Buccaneers did not convert.
- Rob Ninkovich and Chandler Jones combined to sack Josh Freeman for a 2 -yard loss in the first quarter, while Jones and Tommy Kelly combined to sack Freeman for a 7 -yard loss in the third quarter. The sacks raised Jones's team-leading total to three sacks and raised Kelly's total to $11 / 2$ sacks, while Ninkovich registered in the sack column for the first time in 2013.
- Jerod Mayo sacked Josh Freeman for a 1-yard loss on first down on the final play of the first quarter.
- Dont'a Hightower provided tight coverage on Doug Martin, forcing an incompletion on a secondquarter sideline pass attempt deep in Patriots territory.
- Tommy Kelly brought pressure on Josh Freeman on third down in the second quarter, forcing a Tampa Bay incompletion and a fourth down that the Buccaneers did not convert.
- Brandon Spikes and Alfonzo Dennard teamed up to stop Doug Martin for no gain on fourth-and1 in the second quarter, as the Patriots stopped a Tampa Bay fourth-down conversion attempt for the second time in the first half.


# 2013 Season - Game \#4 <br> New England Patriots 30, Atlanta Falcons 23 

Sunday, Sept. 29, 2013 * Georgia Dome, Atlanta, Ga. * 8:30 p.m. EDT
Att: 70,744 $\star$ Surface: Turf $\star$ Weather: Indoors $\star$ Temp: $72^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ * Wind: NA $\star$ Time of Game: 3:21


## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT FALCDNS

| PATRIOTS 30, ATLANTA 23 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| September 29, 2013 * Georgia Dome |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 |  | 3 | 4 | Final |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 10 | 3 | 17 | - 30 |
| Atlanta Falcons | 3 | 7 | 0 | 13 | - 23 |

The New England Patriots improved to a 4-0 mark for the first time since 2007 after a $30-23$ victory over the Atlanta Falcons in a Sunday Night Football matchup from the Georgia Dome. Tom Brady threw for 316 yards and two touchdowns. Rookie WR Kenbrell Thompkins finished with six receptions for 127 yards, while WR Julian Edelman added 118 yards on seven receptions.

The Patriots built a 17-point fourth quarter lead after a 49 -yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski put New England in front, $30-13$, with six minutes to play. The Patriots then held off a furious Atlanta comeback to hold on for the win. Atlanta had a chance to tie the game in the final minute, but CB Aqib Talib knocked away a fourth-down pass from QB Matt Ryan to WR Roddy White in the end zone with 36 seconds to play.

Atlanta cut the Patriots lead after culminating a 7-play, 80 -yard drive with an 11-yard touchdown pass from Ryan to TE Tony Gonzalez and then executed a successful onsides kick that led to a field goal to cut the Patriots lead to 30-23 with under three minutes to play.

The Patriots recovered a second onsides kick but failed to run out the clock to secure the win when Brady fumbled the snap on a fourth-and-1 attempt from the Atlanta 38 -yard line. The Falcons took over and on the first play from scrimmage Ryan completed a 49 -yard pass to WR Julio Jones for a first down at the New England 13-yard line with 59 seconds to play. Atlanta failed to force overtime when Ryan's fourth-down pass attempt to White was defensed by Talib in the end zone.

Atlanta scored only one touchdown on six trips inside the 20 -yard line. That included settling for a field goal on their first possession when they had a first-and-goal at the 6 -yard line. In the second quarter, the Falcons elected to go for it on a fourth-and-2 situation from the 7-yard line. That failed when Ryan's pass attempt was incomplete.

The Patriots and Falcons played to a 10-10 tie at halftime with Brady completing just 5 -of-9 passes for 96 yards. A 22yard field goal by Gostkowski in the third quarter gave the Patriots the lead and helped set up a wild fourth quarter that saw the Patriots sore 17 points and the Falcons score 13 points.

The Patriots scored on their first three fourth quarter drives. RB LeGarrette Blount broke free for a 47-yard run that gave the Patriots a 20-10 lead. After Atlanta answered with a field goal drive, Brady completed a 44 -yard pass to Edelman and then on the next play hit Thompkins for an 18yard touchdown for a 27-13 lead.

Talib intercepted a Ryan pass on the first play of Atlanta's ensuing drive to help set up Gostkowski's 49-yard field goal for a 30-13 fourth quarter lead.

## PATRIOTS OFF TO 4-0 START FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 2007

The New England Patriots improved to 4-0 in 2013 with a 30-23 win over Atlanta. The Patriots are 4-0 for the seventh time in team history and for the first time since 2007. New England is now 4-0 for the third time under Head Coach Bill Belichick. The Patriots also started 4-0 in 1964, 1974, 1997, 1999, 2004 and 2007.

## BELICHICK EARNS 209 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ CAREER WIN TO TIE HALL OF FAMER CHUCK NOLL

Bill Belichick won his 209th career game to tie Chuck Noll for $5^{\text {th }}$ place all-time on the NFL wins list. In October of 1991, Bill Belichick got his fourth career win when his Cleveland Browns team beat Chuck Noll's Pittsburgh Steelers. Twentytwo years later and 205 wins later, the two are tied with 209 career wins.

## LEGARRETTE BLOUNT

LeGarrette Blount scored on a 47-yard run in the fourth quarter. It is the longest touchdown run by the Patriots since LaMont Jordan had a 49 -yard touchdown run at Oakland on Dec. 14, 2008. It is the longest run by a Patriots running back since Sammy Morris had a 55 -yard run vs. Jacksonville on Dec. 27, 2009.

## ROOKIE WR KENBRELL THOMPKINS TOPS 100 YARDS RECEIVING

Rookie WR Kenbrell Thompkins finished with six receptions for 127 yards. He is just the second Patriots rookie free agent receiver to go over 100 yards receiving in a game during his rookie season. Wes Moore had eight receptions for 112 yards on Sept. 10, 1995 vs. Miami.

## THOMPKINS YARDAGE TOTAL IS HIGHEST

 EVER FOR A PATS ROOKIE FREE AGENTThompkins 127 receiving yards are the highest single-game totals for a Patriots rookie free agent. The previous high was 112 yards by Wes Moore in 1995.

## WR JULIAN EDELMAN REGISTERS SECOND NFL 100-YARD GAME

WR Julian Edelman went over 100 yards receiving for the second time in his career after finishing with seven receptions for 118 yards. He had his first 100 yard receiving game at Houston on Jan. 3, 2010 when he finished with 103 yards.

## TWO RECEIVERS OVER 100 YARDS

The Patriots had two players finish with 100 yards receiving for the first time since Rob Gronkowski (104) and Wes Welker (129) had 100 yard days at Buffalo on Sept. 30, 2012.

PATRIOTS FORCE A TURNOVER IN THE 31 ${ }^{\text {ST }}$ STRAIGHT GAME
The Patriots have now forced a turnover in 31 straight games dating back to 2011 after Aqib Talib registered a fourth quarter interception. It is the longest active streak in the NFL. Cincinnati has the second longest streak with 18. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 19851990. The last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

TOM BRADY EXTENDS STREAK TO 52
Tom Brady extended his streak to 52 straight games with at least one touchdown in the second quarter with his 1 -yard touchdown pass to TE Matthew Mulligan. It is the second longest touchdown streak in NFL history, behind Drew Brees (54) and the longest active streak. Brady and Brees are the only NFL players with streaks of 50 or more consecutive games with at least one touchdown.

## BRADY BECOMES ONE OF FIVE NFL QBS WITH

 AT LEAST 340 TDSBrady became just the fifth NFL quarterback with at least 340 touchdowns when he completed a 1-yard touchdown pass to TE Matthew Mulligan in the second quarter. He now has 341 career touchdowns

## 2013 Season - Game \#5 <br> Cincinnati Bengals 13, New England Patriots 6

Sunday, Oct. 6, 2013 * Paul Brown Stadium, Cincinnati, OH. * 1:02 p.m. EDT
Att: 64,259 * Surface: FTurf $\star$ Weather: Cloudy $\star$ Temp: $68^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: SSE 7 mph * Time of Game: 2:56


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |
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| New England Patriots (4-1) | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| Cincinnati Bengals (3-2) | 0 | 3 | 3 | 7 | 13 |

TEAM STATISTICS
Visitor: NEHome: CIN
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS $\qquad$ ...........15.............. 21
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY......................... 1-12-8\%... 6-15-40\% FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY ........................ 0-0-0\%... 1-1-100\%
TOTAL NET YARDS ............................................248............. 341
Total Offensive Plays...........................................60.............. 70
NET YARDS RUSHING ..........................................82............. 162
NET YARDS PASSING ........................................166............. 179
PUNTS Number and Average ...........................8-44.1..........6-45.8
PENALTIES Number and Yards........................... 0/0........... 7/59
FUMBLES Number and Lost ................................ 4/1............. 1/1
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts........................... 0/0............. 1/1
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts ............................. 2/2............. 2/2
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY ................................ 0-1-0\%..... 1-2-50\%
TIME OF POSSESSION 25:44 34:16

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| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) |  |  |  |
| Bengals | 2 | 3:12 | M.Nugent 39 yd. Field Goal (10-49, |  |  |  |
| Patriots | 2 | 0:08 | S.Gostkowski 42 yd. Field Goal (5-15 |  |  |  |
| Bengals | 3 | 5:43 | M.Nugent 50 yd. Field Goal (13-59 |  |  |  |
| Bengals | 4 | 9:21 | B.Green-Ellis 1 yd. run (M.Nugent |  |  |  |
| Patriots | 4 | 6:28 | S.Go |  |  | (7-7 |
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| NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RUSHING |  | ATT | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| L.Blount |  | 12 | 51 | 4.3 | 10 | 0 |
| B.Bolden |  | 5 | 24 | 4.8 | 12 | 0 |
| J.Edelman |  | 1 | 7 | 7.0 | 7 | 0 |
| Total |  | 18 | 82 | 4.6 | 12 | 0 |


| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
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| T. Brady | 38 | 18 | 197 | $4 / 31$ | 0 | 53 | 1 | 52.2 |
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| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
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| B.Bolden | 6 | 40 | 6.7 | 14 | 0 |
| D.Amendola | 4 | 55 | 13.8 | 21 | 0 |
| K.Thompkins | 3 | 16 | 5.3 | 6 | 0 |
| A.Dobson | 2 | 49 | 24.5 | 53 | 0 |
| J.Edelman | 2 | 35 | 17.5 | 18 | 0 |
| M.Hoomanawanui | 1 | 2 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 9}$ | $\mathbf{5 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| INTERCEPTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |  |
| T.Spikes | $\mathbf{1}$ | 3 | 3.0 | 3 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |  |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
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| R.Allen | 8 |  | 353 | 44.1 | 0 | 5 |
| Total | $\mathbf{8}$ |  | $\mathbf{3 5 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 4 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  | $\mathbf{5 3}$ |  |
| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG |
| J.Edelman | 4 | 43 | 10.8 | 1 | 24 | TD |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) |  | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2 4}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| D.McCourty | 3 | 74 | 24.7 | 0 | 27 | 0 |
| L.Washington | 1 | 19 | 19.0 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{9 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 7}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


|  | CINCINNATI BENGALS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING | ATT | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |  |  |  |  |
| B.Green-Ellis | 19 | 67 | 3.5 | 13 | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| G.Bernard | 13 | 62 | 4.8 | 28 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| A.Dalton | 6 | 25 | 4.2 | 9 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| M.Jones | 1 | 8 | 8.0 | 8 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |  |  |


| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A.Dalton | 27 | 20 | 212 | $4 / 33$ | 0 | 28 | 1 | 81.1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{4} / 33$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{8 1 . 1}$ |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A.Green | 5 | 61 | 12.2 | 18 | 0 |
| T.Eifert | 5 | 53 | 10.6 | 22 | 0 |
| J.Gresham | 4 | 24 | 6.0 | 12 | 0 |
| M.Jones | 2 | 39 | 19.5 | 28 | 0 |
| M.Sanu | 2 | 28 | 14.0 | 17 | 0 |
| G.Bernard | 2 | 7 | 3.5 | 6 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| INTERCEPTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| AO Jones | 1 | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS |  | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| K.Huber | 6 |  | 275 | 45.8 | 0 | 2 | 57 |
| Total | $\mathbf{6}$ |  | $\mathbf{2 7 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 5 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{5 7}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| A.Jones | 2 | 10 | 5.0 | 0 | 10 | 0 |  |
| B.Tate | 1 | 7 | 7.0 | 1 | 7 | 0 |  |
| (DOWNED) | 3 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | $\mathbf{5 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |  |
| KICKOFF RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| B.Tate | 1 | 29 | 29.0 | 0 | 29 | 0 |  |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |  |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT BENGALS

CINCINNATI 13, PATRIOTS 6
October 6, 2013 * Paul Brown Stadium

|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 3 | 0 | 3 | $\mathbf{-} \mathbf{6}$ |
| Cincinnati Bengals | 0 | 3 | 3 | 7 | $\mathbf{- 1 3}$ |

The New England Patriots suffered their first loss of the season after losing to the Cincinnati Bengals, 13-6, at Paul Brown Stadium. The Patriots were limited to just two field goals, being held without a touchdown for the first time since a 16-9 loss at the New York Jets in 2009. It was the fewest points the Patriots have scored since being shutout, 21-0, at Miami on Dec. 10, 2006.

QB Tom Brady ended his streak at 52 straight games with at least one touchdown, falling two short of the NFL record held by Drew Brees of the Saints. Brady completed 18-of-38 passes for 197 yards with no touchdowns and one interception for a 52.2 passer rating. The Patriots offense was held to just 15 first downs and was one-of-12 on third downs.

The Patriots had two chances to score in the fourth quarter. Down, 13-3, after a 1-yard touchdown run by Cincinnati RB BenJarvus Green-Ellis, the New England offense responded when Brady connected with rookie WR Aaron Dobson for a 53 -yard gain to the Bengals 17-yard line. A 16 -yard pass from Brady to WR Danny Amendola gave the Patriots a first-and-goal from the 1 -yard line. A failed run and two incompletions into the end zone forced the Patriots to settle for a field goal and make it 13-6.

The Patriots had one final chance after getting the ball back with $1: 48$ to play after a driving rain moved into the area. An off-sides penalty against Cincinnati on a fourthdown incompletion allowed the drive to continue, but Brady's pass intended to Dobson with 26 seconds to play was intercepted by CB Adam Jones and the Bengals ran off the final seconds to secure the win.

The game was scoreless after the first quarter when LB Brandon Spikes ended a Cincinnati scoring threat when he intercepted QB Andy Dalton at the New England 5-yard line. New England had a chance to get on the board in the second quarter after reaching the Cincinnati 32 -yard line, but on the next play, RB LeGarrette Blount fumbled. Cincinnati responded by driving to the New England 21-yard before kicking a field goal for a 3-0 lead.

A 21-yard pass from Brady to Amendola with 37 seconds to play in the first half helped get into position for a 42 -yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski to tie the game at 3-3 at the break.

Cincinnati engineered two long scoring drives on back-toback possessions that resulted in a third quarter field goal and a 1-yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter to take a 13-3 lead. Their first scoring drive began at their own 9 -yard line and resulted in a 50 -yard field goal for a 6-3 lead. Their second drive began at their own 7 -yard line. A sack by DL Tommy Kelly and LB Jerod Mayo pushed them back to the 2yard line. However, on the next play, Dalton completed a 28 -yard pass to WR Marvin Jones to convert on a third-and15 situation. On the next play, RB Giovani Bernard had a 28yard run to get into New England territory as the third quarter came to a close. Dalton, who finished 20 -of- 27 for 212 yards, helped engineer the drive that went 14 plays, 93 yards and took 7:48 off the clock before Green-Ellis scored on a 1 -yard run on a fourth-down play.

After a New England field goal on the ensuing drive cut the lead to $13-6$, DB Devin McCourty forced a fumble on a

CINCINNATI 13, PATRIOTS 6 (continued)
hit to Bernard and Mayo recovered for the Patriots at the Cincinnati 44 -yard line. The Patriots failed to take advantage of the key field position after they were stopped on three straight plays and forced to punt with 2:40 to play.

New England's defense stopped Cincinnati on a third-andtwo situation to force a punt and allow the offense one last chance to tie the game
PATRIOTS FORCE A TURNOVER FOR THE 32 ${ }^{\text {ND }}$ STRAIGHT GAME
The Patriots have now forced a turnover in 32 straight games dating back to 2011 after Brandon Spikes first quarter interception. It is the longest active streak in the NFL. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 1985-1990. The last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

## PATRIOTS DID NOT COMMIT A PENALTY

The Patriots played a penalty free game against Cincinnati. It is fourth time in team history that the team did not commit a penalty in a game and the first time since a game at New Orleans on Nov. 30, 2009.

## BRADY ENDS TOUCHDOWN STREAK AT 52

Tom Brady ended his streak at 52 straight games with at least one touchdown after the Patriots were held out of the end zone. Brady's streak is the second longest touchdown streak in NFL history, behind Drew Brees (54) and was the longest active streak. Brady and Brees are the only NFL players with streaks of 50 or more consecutive games with at least one touchdown.

## PATRIOTS HELD WITHOUT A TOUCHDOWN

 FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 2009The Patriots were held to just six points with two field goals. It was the first time they were held out of the end zone since three Stephen Gostkowski field goals in a 16-9 loss at the New York Jets on Sept. 20, 2009. It is the fewest points scored by the Patriots since being shutout, 21-0, at Miami on Dec. 10, 2006.

## ROOKIE DL JOE VELLANO MAKES FIRST NFL START

Rookie DL Joe Vellano made his first NFL start. He finished with three total tackles.

## BRANDON SPIKES RECORDS SECOND REGULAR

 SEASON INTERCEPTIONLB Brandon Spikes intercepted a QB Andy Dalton pass deep in New England territory in the first quarter. It was his second regular season interception and first since he intercepted a pass vs. the New York Jets (12/6/10) as a rookie. Spikes intercepted a fourth quarter pass in the 2011 AFC Championship Game vs. Baltimore on Jan. 22, 2012.
SPIKES SETS CAREER HIGH WITH 22 TACKLES Spikes set a career-high with 22 total tackles. His previous best was 16 tackles at the New York Jets on Nov. 22, 2012. It is the highest tackle total for a Patriots player since Jerod Mayo had 23 total tackles vs. the New York Jets on Nov. 13, 2008.

## ROOKIE DL CHRIS JONES RECORDS FIRST NFL SACK

Rookie DL Chris Jones registered his first NFL sack when he dropped QB Andy Dalton for a 9 -yard loss in the second quarter. He combined with LB Jerod Mayo on an 8 -yard sack in the third quarter to finish with $11 / 2$ total sacks.

# 2013 Season - Game \#6 <br> New England Patriots 30, New Orleans Saints 27 

Sunday, Oct. 13, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. * 4:25 p.m. EDT
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf $*$ Weather: Cloudy $*$ Temp: $59^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: ENE 7 mph * Time of Game: 3:15


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- | :--- | :---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | F |  |
| New Orleans Saints (5-1) | 7 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 27 |  |
| New England Patriots (5-1) | 3 | 14 | 3 | 10 | 30 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Visitor: NO Home: NE |
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS | .20............. 26 |
| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY | 5-14-36\%... 5-15-33\% |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY | ... 0-0-0\%..... 1-3-33\% |
| TOTAL NET YARDS | . $361 . . . . . . . . . . .376$ |
| Total Offensive Plays... | ......63............ 83 |
| NET YARDS RUSHING | .131........... 141 |
| NET YARDS PASSING | 230........... 235 |
| PUNTS Number and Average | .6-44.7........4-52.5 |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards. | ..7/56.......... 4/33 |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost | ... 1/1........... 0/0 |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempt | ... 3/3............ 3/3 |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts |  |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY ....... | . 2-3-67\%.... 3-5-60\% |
| IME OF POSSESSION ... | ...28:09.........31:5 |


| SCORING PLAYS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
| Patriots | 1 | 9:54 | S.Gostkowski 35 yd. Field Goal (14-60, 5:06) | 0 | 3 |
| Saints | 1 | 1:46 | T.Cadet 3 yd . pass from D.Brees (G.Hartley kick) (9-73, 5:23) | 7 | 3 |
| Patriots | 2 | 13:00 | S.Ridley 1 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (9-80, 3:46) | 7 | 10 |
| Patriots | 2 | 7:36 | S.Ridley 4 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (12-66, 4:52) | 7 | 17 |
| Saints | 3 | 11:27 | G.Hartley 28 yd. Field Goal (8-70, 3:33) | 10 | 17 |
| Saints | 3 | 6:19 | K.Robinson 3 yd. run (G.Hartley kick) (9-67, 4:07) | 17 | 17 |
| Patriots | 3 | 1:36 | S.Gostkowski 54 yd. Field Goal (12-55, 4:43) | 17 | 20 |
| Patriots | 4 | 8:34 | S.Gostkowski 23 yd. Field Goal (7-15, 3:36) | 17 | 23 |
| Saints | 4 | 3:29 | K.Stills 34 yd. pass from D.Brees (G.Hartley kick) (10-81, 5:05) | 24 | 23 |
| Saints | 4 | 2:24 | G.Hartley 39 yd. Field Goal (4-3, 0:22) | 27 | 23 |
| Patriots | 4 | 0:05 | K.Thompkins 17 yd . pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (8-70, 1:08) | 27 | 30 |


| NEW ORLEANS SAINTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING |  | ATT |  | YDS | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| K.Robinson |  | 7 |  | 53 | 7.6 |  | 20 | 1 |
| P.Thomas |  | 11 |  | 51 | 4.6 |  | 13 | 0 |
| D.Sproles |  | 5 |  | 15 | 3.0 |  | 6 | 0 |
| D.Brees |  | 2 |  | 11 | 5.5 |  | 16 | 0 |
| J.Collins |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1.0 |  | 1 | 0 |
| Total |  | 26 |  | 131 | 5.0 |  | 20 | 1 |
| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK | D TD | LG | IN | RT |
| D.Brees | 36 | 17 | 236 | 1/6 | 2 | 34 | 1 | 75.7 |
| Total | 36 | 17 | 236 | 1/6 | 2 | 34 | 1 | 75.7 |



| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| D.Sproles | 2 | 41 | 20.5 | 0 | 21 | 0 |
| P.Thomas | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 4 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |



## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. SAINTS

PATRIOTS 30, NEW ORLEANS 27
October 13, 2013 * Gillette Stadium

|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| New Orleans Saints | 7 | 0 | 10 | 10 | $\mathbf{- 2 7}$ |
| New England Patriots | 3 | 14 | 3 | 10 | $\mathbf{- 3 0}$ |

Tom Brady threw a 17-yard touchdown pass to rookie WR Kenbrell Thompkins with five seconds left to play to lift the Patriots to a come-from-behind 30-27 victory to hand the visiting New Orleans Saints their first loss of the year.

The touchdown pass capped an 8 -play, 70 -yard drive that started at their own 30 -yard line with $1: 13$ seconds left to play. The victory marked the 38th time that Brady has led his team to victory following a fourth-quarter deficit or tie.

Brady completed five-of-seven passes for 70 yards to lead New England to the win. On the drive, Brady completed three quick passes in a row (to three different receivers) to put the Patriots in position to win, firing off a 23 -yard completion to Julian Edelman, a 15 -yard completion to Austin Collie and a 6-yard pass to Aaron Dobson to set New England up at the New Orleans 26 -yard line with 35 seconds left. Following two incompletions, Brady completed a 9 -yard pass on fourth down to Collie, and then following a clockstopping spike, Brady tossed the game-winning 17-yard touchdown to Thompkins with 5 seconds remaining.

The Patriots had squandered a 17-7 halftime lead after New Orleans scored a field goal and a touchdown on their first two drives of the second half to tie the game. K Stephen Gostkowski drilled a career-long 54-yard field goal in the third quarter and added a 23 -yard field goal in the fourth quarter to put New England in front, 23-17. But the Saints took a 24-23 lead with 3:29 to play when QB Drew Brees threw a 34 -yard touchdown pass to WR Kenny Stills.

On the ensuing drive, the Patriots tried to convert a fourth-and-six situation from their own 24 -yard line with 2:50 to play but were stopped, leading to a New Orleans field goal for a 27-23 lead. Brady was intercepted on the first play following the Saints touchdown, allowing New Orleans to get the ball back with 2:16 to play.

The Patriots defense had a key three-and-out on that series set the New England offense up for the game-winning drive. S Steve Gregory stopped New Orleans's RB Khiry Robinson for a 2 -yard gain on first down and the Patriots then took their final timeout. Gregory and DL Joe Vellano stopped RB Pierre Thomas for a 1 -yard gain on second down, leading into the two-minute warning. DL Chandler Jones then sacked Brees on third down, setting up a New Orleans punt that gave the Patriots the ball back with 1:13 remaining and setting up the game-winning drive.

The New Orleans offense twice failed to pick up a first down that would have put the game away in the final three minutes. Excluding a field goal attempt and a punt, the Saints ran six plays from the 2:46 mark of the fourth quarter on, and those snaps produced just one single yard.

The Patriots built a 17-7 halftime lead after scoring a field goal on their first drive of the game and then two RB Stevan Ridley touchdown runs in the second quarter.

The Patriots defense held Saints TE Jimmy Graham without a reception. Graham entered the game averaging 118.6 yards per game.

BOUNCING BACK AFTER A LOSS
Since the beginning of 2003, the Patriots are 31-4 (.886) in regular season games following a loss, dropping back-toback regular season games just four times over that span.

BELICHICK MOVES PAST HALL OF FAMER

## CHUCK NOLL IN WINS

Bill Belichick won his $210^{\text {th }}$ career game to move past Hall of Famer Chuck Noll for $5^{\text {th }}$ place all-time on the NFL wins list. Curly Lambeau is in fourth place with 229 career wins.

## PATRIOTS SCORE THE MOST POINTS IN 2013

## AGAIST THE SAINTS

The Patriots offense put up 30 points against New Orleans, tying New England's highest point total of the season. The New Orleans defense entered the game fourth in the NFL in points allowed with 14.6 points per game. Before today, the most points the Saints gave up in a game in 2013 was 18 at Chicago on Oct. 6.

BRADY TURNS IN $38{ }^{\text {TH }}$ CAREER GAMEWINNING PERFORMANCE
Tom Brady led the Patriots on an 8-play, 70 -yard gamewinning drive, ending in a 17 -yard touchdown pass to Kembrell Thompkins with five seconds left that gave New England a 30-27 win. The victory marked the 38th time that Brady has led his team to victory following a fourth-quarter deficit or tie. He has accomplished the feat 31 times in the regular season and seven times in the playoffs. Brady also led New England to a fourth-quarter comeback in the 2013 regular-season opener at Buffalo. Against the Saints, New England got the ball on its own 30-yard line with 1:13 remaining, trailing 27-23, and with no timeouts. Brady proceeded to complete five-of-seven passes for 70 yards to lead New England to the win. On the drive, Brady completed three quick passes in a row (to three different receivers) to put the Patriots in position to win, firing off a 23 -yard completion to Julian Edelman, a 15 -yard completion to Austin Collie and a 6 -yard pass to Aaron Dobson to set New England up at the New Orleans 26 -yard line with 35 seconds left. Following two incompletions, Brady completed a 9 -yard pass on fourth down to Collie, and then following a clock-stopping spike, Brady tossed the game-winning 17yard touchdown to Thompkins with 5 seconds remaining.

## PATRIOTS DEFENSE HOLDS JIMMY GRAHAM

## WITHOUT A RECEPTION

New England's defense held New Orleans TE Jimmy Graham without a catch. Graham entered the game averaging 188.6 yards per game. Patriots defensive backs made plays on passes from Drew Brees that were intended for Graham. Aqib Talib broke up a pass intended for Graham on second down in the first quarter, forcing a third-and-nine that the Saints did not convert as New England forced New Orleans into a three-and-out on its first possession of the game. Talib broke up another pass intended for Graham on third-and-ten in the second quarter, forcing the Saints' second punt of the game. Kyle Arrington broke up a Brees pass intended for Jimmy Graham on second-and-10 in the second quarter, and later intercepted a pass intended for Graham in the fourth quarter.
THOMPKINS SNARES GAME-WINNING SCORE Kembrell Thompkins had three catches for 45 yards, including the game-winning 17-yard touchdown reception with five seconds left. The touchdown was Thompkins' team-high fourth scoring catch of the season.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. SAINTS

GOSTKOWSKI KICKS A CAREER-LONG 54-YARD FIELD GOAL
K Stephen Gostkowski connected on a career-long 54-yard field goal in the third quarter. His previous best was a 53yard field goal, which he did three times - vs. Tampa Bay (9-22-13), vs. Arizona (9-16-12) and at Denver (10-11-09). Gostkowski was three-for-three on field goals against New Orleans, and has now hit 11 straight field goals dating back to Week Two.

## GOSTKOWSKI HAS MOST 50-YARD FIELD GOALS IN TEAM HISTORY

Gostkowski connected on a career-long 54-yard field goal in the third quarter and is now 9 -of-12 from 50 yards or more as a member of the Patriots. The nine 50 -yard field goals are the most in team history.

## PATRIOTS FORCE A TURNOVER FOR THE $33^{\text {R }}$ STRAIGHT GAME

The Patriots have now forced a turnover in 33 straight games dating back to 2011 after Kyle Arrington intercepted a Drew Brees pass in the fourth quarter to give the Patriots a first down at the New Orleans 20-yard line.

## BRADY TIES FRAN TARKENTON FOR FOURTH

 PLACE ON NFL TD LISTTom Brady threw his 342nd career touchdown pass in the final minute of the game to tie Fran Tarkenton for fourth on the NFL's all-time touchdown pass list. Dan Marino is third with 420 touchdowns.

## BRADY MOVES PAST VINNY TESTAVERDE FOR

 $8^{\text {TH }}$ PLACE ON NFL PASSING LISTBrady $(46,286)$ moved past Vinny Testaverde $(46,233)$ for eighth place on the NFL's all-time passing list. Fran Tarkenton is in seventh place with 47,003 passing yards.

## EDELMAN SURPASSES SINGLE-SEASON

## CAREER BESTS

Julian Edelman had five catches for 57 yards, raising his season totals to 41 receptions for 411 yards. The 41 catches and 411 receiving yards represent single-season career highs for Edelman, topping his previous career bests of 37 catches for 359 yards as a rookie in 2009.

## COLLIE SEES FIRST ACTION WITH THE

 PATRIOTS; CONTRIBUTES ON WINNING DRIVE Newly acquired WR Austin Collie played in his first game with the Patriots and finished with two catches for 24 yards. Both of Collie's catches came in the final minute of the game on the Patriots' game-winning drive, snaring a 15 -yard reception to bring the Patriots to the Saints' 32 -yard line and then a 9 -yard reception on fourth-and-four to set the Patriots up on the 17 -yard line and set the stage for the game-winning touchdown pass from Tom Brady to Kembrell Thompkins following a clock-stopping spike.
## TE MICHAEL HOOMANAWANUI SETS SINGLE GAME HIGH

Michael Hoomanawanui had a career high 57 receiving yards on four catches, besting his previous mark of 46 receiving yards, achieved twice, most recently on Dec. 23, 2012 at Jacksonville. Hoomanawanui's longest catch was for a 19yard gain on third-and-18 in the second quarter. That reception was Hoomanawanui's longest of the 2013 season.

RB STEVAN RIDLEY RUSHES FOR TWO
TOUCHDOWNS
Stevan Ridley scored two rushing touchdowns with a 1-yard run in the first quarter and a 4 -yard run in the second quarter. It is the third time in his career that he has rushed for two touchdowns in a single game. He had two at Buffalo (9/30/12) and vs. Miami (12/30/12). Last season, Ridley finished tied for third in the NFL with 12 rushing touchdowns. The 12 rushing touchdowns are tied with Corey Dillon (2005 and 2004), Antowain Smith (2001) and Steve Grogan (1976) for fifth all-time in team history.

## PATRIOTS DEFENSE FORCED KEY THREE-ANDOUT

The Patriots defense had a key three-and-out in the fourth quarter to set the New England offense up for the gamewinning drive against New Orleans. After a Saints interception set New Orleans up at its own 30 -yard line with 2:16 left and a 27-23 lead, Steve Gregory stopped New Orleans's Khiry Robinson for a 2 -yard gain on first down and the Patriots then took their final timeout. Gregory and Joe Vellano stopped Pierre Thomas for a 1-yard gain on second down, leading into the two-minute warning. Chandler Jones then sacked Drew Brees on third down, setting up a New Orleans punt that gave the Patriots the ball back with 1:13 remaining and setting up the game-winning drive.

## PATRIOTS ARE 5-1 OR BETTER FOR THE NINTH TIME IN TEAM HISTORY

The Patriots have won five of their first six games of the 2013 season, marking the ninth time in team history that New England has won at least five of its first six games. In addition to this year, New England was also 5-1 in 2011, 2010, 2006, 1997, 1980, and 1974, and was 6-0 in 2007 and 2004. The Patriots have made the playoffs in each of the last six seasons in which they have started $5-1$ or better.

## DENNARD HAS A PAIR OF PASS BREAKUPS

Alfonzo Dennard provided tight coverage on Robert Meachem along the sidelines on third-and-10 in the third quarter, forcing a Saints punt on the next play. Dennard also broke up a Drew Brees pass intended for Marcus Colston on third-and-seven in the fourth quarter, holding the Saints to a field goal that resulted in a 27-23 New Orleans lead and kept the Patriots in the game.
ARRINGTON INTERCEPTION SETS UP POINTS Kyle Arrington intercepted a Drew Brees pass intended for Jimmy Graham in the fourth quarter, giving the Patriots possession at the Saints' 20 -yard line and setting up a Stephen Gostkowski field goal that gave the Patriots a 23-17 lead. The interception was Arrington's eighth since the beginning of the 2011 season, the most by a Patriot over that span (McCourty, 7).

## PATRIOTS WICKED GOOD IN OCTOBER

The Patriots improved to $36-8$ in the month of October since the 2003 season. The Patriots are 21-1 (.955) at home during that time in October. The only home loss since 2003 was a 41-17 victory by the visiting San Diego Chargers on Oct. 2, 2005.

## BRADY IS GOOD AGAINST THE NFC

Tom Brady improved his record to 38-9 record against the NFC overall as starter and 19-5 at home.

# 2013 Season - Game \#7 <br> New York Jets 30, New England Patriots 27 (OT) 

Sunday, Oct. 20, 2013 * MetLife Stadium, East Rutherford, NJ. * 1:02 p.m. EDT
Att: 76,957 * Surface: FieldTurf $\star$ Weather: Sunny $\star$ Temp: $63^{\circ} \mathrm{F} \star$ Wind: WNW 11 mph * Time of Game: 3:27



| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Gronkowski | 8 | 114 | 14.3 | 30 | 0 |
| J.Edelman | 5 | 44 | 8.8 | 19 | 0 |
| A.Dobson | 3 | 34 | 11.3 | 14 | 0 |
| K.Thompkins | 2 | 16 | 8.0 | 11 | 0 |
| S.Ridley | 2 | 3 | 1.5 | 5 | 0 |
| A.Collie | 1 | 10 | 10.0 | 10 | 0 |
| B.Bolden | 1 | 7 | 7.0 | 7 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| L.Ryan | 1 | 79 | 79.0 | 79 | 1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{7 9}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 9}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Gronkowski | 8 | 114 | 14.3 | 30 | 0 |
| J.Edelman | 5 | 44 | 8.8 | 19 | 0 |
| A.Dobson | 3 | 34 | 11.3 | 14 | 0 |
| K.Thompkins | 2 | 16 | 8.0 | 11 | 0 |
| S.Ridley | 2 | 3 | 1.5 | 5 | 0 |
| A.Collie | 1 | 10 | 10.0 | 10 | 0 |
| B.Bolden | 1 | 7 | 7.0 | 7 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| L.Ryan | 1 | 79 | 79.0 | 79 | 1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{7 9}$ | $\mathbf{7 9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 9}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Allen | 8 | 404 | 50.5 | 3 | 1 | 62 |
| Total | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{5 0 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{6 2}$ |


| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Edelman | 3 | 58 | 19.3 | 1 | 38 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{3 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| L.Blount | 4 | 96 | 24.0 | 0 | 28 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 3 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{9 6}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |

FF RETURNS

Total

TEAM STATISTICS
Visitor: NEHome: NYJ
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS.........................................21.............. 27
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY......................... 1-12-8\%. 11-21-52\%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY .................... 1-1-100\%.......0-0-0\%
TOTAL NET YARDS ............................................295............. 383
Total Offensive Plays...........................................70.............. 89
NET YARDS RUSHING .......................................... 90 ............. 177
NET YARDS PASSING .........................................205............. 206
PUNTS Number and Average ..........................8-50.5.........6-40.2
PENALTIES Number and Yards........................7/100........... 9/45
FUMBLES Number and Lost ................................ 2/0............. 2/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts........................... 3/3............. 3/3
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts ............................. 2/2............. 3/3
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY ............................ 2-2-100\%..... 2-4-50\%
TIME OF POSSESSION 23:40 46:16

| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Jets | 1 | 9:43 | J.Kerley 12 yd. pass from G.Smith (N.Folk kick) (12-80, 5:17) | 0 | 7 |
| Patriots | 1 | 5:58 | B.Bolden 1 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (10-80, 3:45) | 7 | 0 |
| Patriots | 1 | 1:32 | L.Ryan 79 yd. interception return (S.Gostkowski kick) | 14 | 7 |
| Jets | 2 | 11:11 | N.Folk 37 yd. Field Goal (12-61, 5:21) | 14 | 10 |
| Patriots | 2 | 5:15 | S.Ridley 17 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (6-28, 2:34) | 21 | 10 |
| Jets | 3 | 14:27 | A.Allen 23 yd . interception return (N.Folk kick) | 21 | 17 |
| Jets | 3 | 4:33 | G.Smith 8 yd. run (N.Folk kick) (8-52, 3:36) | 21 | 24 |
| Jets | 3 | 1:30 | N.Folk 37 yd. Field Goal (5-19, 1:31) | 21 | 27 |
| Patriots | 4 | 12:58 | S.Gostkowski 39 yd. Field Goal (10-62, 3:32) | 24 | 27 |
| Patriots | 4 | 0:16 | S.Gostkowski 44 yd. Field Goal (12-66, 1:54) | 27 | 27 |
| Jets | 5 | 5:07 | N.Folk 42 yd. Field Goal (14-56, 8:48) | 27 | 30 |

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

| RUSHING |  | NEW YORK JETS |  |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | ATT |  | YDS |  |  |  |  |
| C.Ivory |  | 34 |  | 104 | 3.1 |  | 17 | 0 |
| G.Smith |  | 6 |  | 32 | 5.3 |  | 14 | 1 |
| T.Bohanon |  | 6 |  | 21 | 3.5 |  | 5 | 0 |
| J.Cribbs |  | 3 |  | 14 | 4.7 |  | 7 | 0 |
| B.Powell |  | 3 |  | 6 | 2.0 |  | 4 | 0 |
| Total |  | 52 |  | 177 | 3.4 |  | 17 | 1 |
| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| G.Smith | 33 | 17 | 233 | 4/27 | 1 | 27 | 1 | 71.9 |
| Total | 33 | 17 | 233 | 4/27 | 1 | 27 | 1 | 71.9 |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Kerley | 8 | 97 | 12.1 | 22 | 1 |
| D.Nelson | 4 | 80 | 20.0 | 27 | 0 |
| J.Cumberland | 3 | 41 | 13.7 | 25 | 0 |
| S.Hill | 1 | 17 | 17.0 | 17 | 0 |
| C.Ivory | 1 | -2 | -2.0 | -2 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 3 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 7}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A.Allen | 1 | 23 | 23.0 | 23 | 1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | 23 | 23.0 | 23 | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Quigley | 6 | 241 | 40.2 | 0 | 2 | 52 |
| Total | 6 | $\mathbf{2 4 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{5 2}$ |


| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Cribbs | 3 | 44 | 14.7 | 1 | 21 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 3 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Cribbs | 1 | 17 | 17.0 | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 5 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1 7}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT JETS

NEW YORK JETS 30, PATRIOTS 27 (OT)
October 20, 2013 * MetLife Stadium

|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | OT | Fina |
| :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | ---: |
| New England Patriots | 14 | 7 | 0 | 6 | 0 | $-\mathbf{2 7}$ |
| New York Jets | 7 | 3 | 17 | 0 | $3-\mathbf{3 0}$ |  |

The New York Jets beat the visiting New England Patriots $30-27$, in overtime to end the Patriots 12 -game winning streak against AFC East opponents.

Jets K Nick Folk was wide left on a 56 -yard attempt in overtime, but his kick was negated when Patriots DL Chris Jones was called for an unsportsmanlike conduct penalty for pushing a teammate forward to try to block the kick. It was the first time that the new penalty has been called in 2013. The penalty gave the Jets another chance, and Folk booted a 42-yard field goal with 5:07 left for the 30-27 victory.

The Patriots built a 21-10 halftime lead but had a rough third quarter that saw the Jets score 17 points to take a 2721 lead. The Patriots offense had minus-five yards in four offensive series in the third quarter.

On the first play of the second half, the Jets stripped Brady of the ball on a sack. The Patriots did recover the ball but on the next play S Antonio Allen picked off a Brady pass and returned it 23 yards for a touchdown. Later in the quarter, Jets QB Geno Smith converted two big third down plays before running it in for an 8 -yard touchdown to give the Jets their first lead with a 24-21 advantage. A 21-yard punt return by WR Josh Cribbs helped set up a field goal at the end of the quarter that extended the Jets lead to 27-21.

The Patriots took the ensuing kick and turned the drive into a 39-yard field goal to close the gap to 27-24 early in the fourth quarter. Late in the fourth quarter, TE Rob Gronkowski almost made a one-handed catch with a clear lane to the end zone. Instead the Patriots settled for a game-tying field goal with 16 seconds left to send the game into overtime. Gronkowski, who returned to action after missing the first six games, finished with a team-leading 8 receptions for 114 yards. It was his $10^{\text {th }} 100$-yard game.

The Patriots won the coin toss in overtime, and Brady opened the overtime period with a 16 -yard pass to Gronkowski, but the Jets stopped the Patriots on the next three plays and forced New England to punt. The Jets took over at their own 20 -yard line after a 62 -yard punt by P Ryan Allen went through the end zone. Jets RB Chris Ivory, who finished with 104 yards rushing, helped get the Jets into New England territory for the game-winning field goal.

The Jets opened the game with a 12-play, 80 -yard drive that was culminated when Smith connected with WR Jeremy Kerley on a 12 -yard touchdown pass. The Patriots responded on the next set of downs when RB Brandon Bolden finished a 10-play, 80 -yard drive with a 1 -yard touchdown run.

New England took a 14-7 lead when rookie CB Logan Ryan picked off a Smith pass and returned it 79 yards for a touchdown. It was Ryan's first NFL interception.

Smith was able to rebound on the ensuing drive by engineering a drive that ended in a field goal to cut the Patriots lead to 14-10. A 17-yard touchdown run by RB Stevan Ridley late in the fourth quarter gave New England a 21-10 lead at the end of the first half.

Smith finished the game 17-of-33 for 233 yards with one touchdown and one interception, while Brady was held without a touchdown for the second time in three games. Brady was 22 -of-46 for 228 yards with no touchdowns and one interception.

The Patriots were 1-of-12 on third downs with the Patriots failing to convert a single third-down attempt until the fourth quarter.

RIDLEY QUALIFIES FOR THE ALL-TIME LEAD IN RUSHING AVERAGE
Stevan Ridley has 455 rushing attempts for 2,024 yards for a 4.45 yard average and now qualifies for the all-time team lead in rushing average. He entered the game needing six more rushing attempts to meet the team qualification of 450 rushing attempts to qualify for the team lead in rushing average. Ridley finished with 11 carries for 50 yards against the Jets.

GRONKOWSKI RETURNS TO ACTION
Rob Gronkowski returned to action after missing the first six games of the season. He was in the starting lineup and his first reception was a 12 -yarder from Tom Brady in the first quarter. Gronkowski led the team with 8 receptions for 114 yards.

GRONKOWSKI SETS PATRIOTS TEAM MARK FOR A TE WITH 10 ${ }^{\text {TH }} \mathbf{1 0 0 - Y A R D ~ G A M E ~}$ Gronkowski registered his $10^{\text {th }}$ career 100 -yard game after finishing with 8 receptions for 114 yards. He entered the game tied with Ben Coates with 9 100-yard games.

2013 THIRD-ROUND PICK CB LOGAN RYAN RETURNS A PICK FOR A TOUCHDOWN
CB Logan Ryan returned his first NFL interception 79 yards for a touchdown in the first quarter. It was the first interception returned for a touchdown by the Patriots since CB Aqib Talib (59 yards) and CB Alfonzo Dennard (87 yards) returned picks for touchdowns vs. Indianapolis (11-18-12).
The last Patriots player to return their first career interception for a touchdown was Kyle Arrington in 2010 against the Green Bay Packers, when he took back a Matt Flynn pass 36 yards for a touchdown. The last rookie Patriots player to return their first career interception for a touchdown was James Sanders in 2005.

## CHANDLER JONES SETS SINGLE-SEASON HIGH WITH 6.5 SACKS

DE Chandler Jones had two sacks to increase his 2013 total to 6.5 . As a rookie in 2012 , Jones finished with 6.0 sacks. Jones now has two 2 -sack games in 2013. He had two sacks in in the first Jets game on Sept. 12. Jones now has three career 2-sack games. He had one as a rookie in 2012.

## JONES IS FIRST PATRIOTS PLAYER TO START HIS CAREER WITH TWO 6-PLUS SACK SEASON SINCE CHRIS SLADE

DE Chandler Jones has 6.5 sacks in 2013 and had 6.0 sacks as a rookie in 2012. He is the first Patriots player with 6 -plus sacks in each of his first two NFL seasons since Chris Slade in 1993 (9.0) and 1994 (9.5).
GOSTKOWSKI EXTENDS FIELD GOAL STREAK TO 13
Stephen Gostkowski extended his streak to 13 straight field goals with his 39 -yard field goal in the third quarter and a 44 -yarder in the fourth quarter. The active streak spans five games, beginning with a 53 -yard field goal at Gillette against the Buccaneers. It is the longest streak of Gostkowski's career.

## PATRIOTS END STREAK AT 12 STRAIGHT DIVISION WINS

The Patriots ended a streak of 12 straight wins over AFC East opponents.

## ROOKIE CHRIS JONES HAS FIRST 2-SACK GAME

Rookie DL Chris Jones registered his first NFL two-sack game. It was his second game with multiple sacks. He was credited with 1.5 sacks at Cincinnati.

# 2013 Season - Game \#8 <br> <br> New England Patriots 27, Miami Dolphins 17 

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Sunday, Oct. 27, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. * 1:02 p.m. EDT
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf * Weather: Cloudy* Temp: $53^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: W 13 mph * Time of Game: 3:06


| SCORING PLAYS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
| Dolphins | 1 | 6:32 | B.Gibson 4 yd. pass from R.Tannehill (C.Sturgis kick) (11-40, 5:42) | 7 | 0 |
| Dolphins | 2 | 9:55 | D.Thomas 5 yd. pass from R.Tannehill (C.Sturgis kick) (10-58, 4:31) | 14 | 0 |
| Patriots | 2 | 3:43 | S.Gostkowski 34 yd. Field Goal (13-64, 6:12) | 14 | 3 |
| Dolphins | 2 | 0:30 | C.Sturgis 52 yd. Field Goal (8-46, 3:13) | 17 | 3 |
| Patriots | 3 | 8:28 | A.Dobson 14 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (5-64, 1:45) | 17 | 10 |
| Patriots | 3 | 6:42 | B.Bolden 2 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (3-13, 1:01) | 17 | 17 |
| Patriots | 3 | 0:08 | S.Gostkowski 48 yd. Field Goal (8-37, 2:16) | 17 | 20 |
| Patriots | 4 | 7:14 | S.Ridley 3 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (12-82, 5:56) | 17 | 27 |
|  |  |  | INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS |  |  |


| MIAMI DOLPHINS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING |  | ATT |  | YDS | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| L.Miller |  | 18 |  | 89 | 4.9 |  | 18 | 0 |
| D.Thomas |  | 9 |  | 47 | 5.2 |  | 15 | 0 |
| R.Tannehill |  | 1 |  | 12 | 12.0 |  | 12 | 0 |
| M.Wallace |  | 1 |  | 8 | 8.0 |  | 8 | 0 |
| C.Clay |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1.0 |  | 1 | 0 |
| M.Thigpen |  | 1 |  | -1 | -1.0 |  | -1 | 0 |
| Total |  | 31 |  | 156 | 5.0 |  | 18 | 0 |
| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| R.Tannehill | 42 | 22 | 192 | 6/47 | 2 | 25 | 2 | 60.8 |
| Total | 42 | 22 | 192 | 6/47 | 2 | 25 | 2 | 60.8 |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| C.Clay | 5 | 37 | 7.4 | 11 | 0 |
| B.Hartline | 4 | 37 | 9.3 | 15 | 0 |
| M.Wallace | 3 | 41 | 13.7 | 25 | 0 |
| R.Matthews | 3 | 30 | 10.0 | 20 | 0 |
| L.Miller | 3 | 23 | 7.7 | 13 | 0 |
| M.Egnew | 1 | 11 | 11.0 | 11 | 0 |
| D.Thomas | 1 | 5 | 5.0 | 5 | 1 |
| B.Gibson | 1 | 4 | 4.0 | 4 | 1 |
| D.Sims | 1 | 4 | 4.0 | 4 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 2}$ | $\mathbf{8 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{2 5}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| D.Patterson | 1 | 2 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| B.Fields | 4 | 161 | 40.3. | 0 | 1 | 52 |
| Total | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{1 6 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 0 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{5 2}$ |
| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG |
| M.Thigpen | 3 | 28 | 9.3 | 2 | 13 | TD |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{9 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| M.Thigpen | 3 | 52 | 17.3 | 0 | 23 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) |  | 3 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| INTERCEPTIONS |  | NO | YDS |  | AVG | LG | TD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| D.Harmon |  | 1 | 2 |  | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| M.Cole |  | 1 | 0 |  | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total |  | 2 | 2 |  | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| PUNTING | NO |  | YDS | AVG | TB | IN2O | LG |
| R.Allen | 5 |  | 217 | 43.4 | 0 | 1 | 51 |
| Total | 5 |  | 217 | 43.4 | 0 | 1 | 51 |
| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| J.Edelman |  | 3 | 13 | 4.3 | 1 | 7 | 0 |
| Total |  | 3 | 13 | 4.3 | 1 | 7 | 0 |
| KICKOFF RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| L.Blount |  | 2 | 46 | 23.0 | 0 | 30 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) |  | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total |  | 2 | 46 | 23.0 | 0 | 30 | 0 |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. DDLPHINS

## PATRIOTS 27, MIAMI 17

October 27, 2013 * Gillette Stadium

| Miami Dolphins | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{2} 10$ | 0 | 0 | $\mathbf{- 1 7}$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 3 | 17 | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{-} \mathbf{2 7}$ |

The New England Patriots improved to a 6-2 record with a come-from-behind 27-17 victory over the visiting Miami Dolphins.

Trailing 17-3 after gaining just 59 yards in the first half, the Patriots quickly turned the game around in the third quarter with two touchdowns in a span of seven plays.

The Patriots ran for 111 yards in the second half, recorded six second-half sacks, and forced three second-half turnovers to lead the comeback.

Tom Brady, who completed just six-of-eight pass attempts for 25 yards in the first half, threw for 76 of his 116 yards in the third quarter.

After Miami missed on a 46 -yard field goal attempt that would have extended the lead to 20-3 in the third quarter, a 23 -yard run by RB Stevan Ridley and a 23 -yard pass from Brady to TE Rob Gronkowski helped set up a 14 -yard touchdown pass from Brady to WR Aaron Dobson that closed the gap to 17-10 to begin the comeback.

The Patriots regained possession two plays after the kickoff when CB Logan Ryan forced a fumble on a 10 -yard sack of Miami QB Ryan Tannehill that was recovered by DE Rob Ninkovich at the Miami 13 -yard line. Three plays later, RB Brandon Bolden scored on a 2-yard touchdown run to tie the game at 17-17.

New England took the lead for a good when K Stephen Gostkowski drilled a 48 -yard field goal to make it 20-17 with 8 seconds left in the third quarter.

Brady led the Patriots on their longest drive of the game when he engineered a 12 -play, 82 -yard drive that took 7:46 off the clock before Ridley scored on a 3 -yard run to give expand the lead to 27-17.

The outlook at halftime was bleak after the Dolphins had rushed for 103 yards. Brady's first pass of the game was intercepted by CB Dimitri Patterson and helped set up a Miami touchdown. The Dolphins added to their lead with a 10 -point second quarter.

The Patriots defense had a season-high six sacks - all coming in the second half and held Miami scoreless in the second half to help drive the comeback.

S Marquice Cole recorded his first interception of the season when DB Devin McCourty batted an errant Tannehill pass, volleyball-style, back into the field of play where it was hauled in by Cole early in the fourth quarter. The play gave New England a first down at the Miami 18 -yard line and set up a 13-play, 82 -yard drive that ended in Ridley's 3 -yard touchdown run and a 27-17 Patriots lead.

DE Chandler Jones blocked a 39 -yard Miami field goal attempt with 2:51 remaining in the game to help thwart a Miami comeback attempt. The block came with Miami seeking to make the game a one-score game, as it trailed 27-17 in the fourth quarter.

## PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO TEAM RECORD SEVEN STRAIGHT WINS OVER MIAMI

The Patriots have won seven straight games against Miami after series sweeps in 2010, 2011 and 2012. The Patriots current streak of seven straight victories over the Dolphins tops New England's six straight wins over Miami from 1986 through 1988 as the Patriots' longest winning streak against the Dolphins.

## PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO 14 STRAIGHT

 WINS OVER AFC EAST FOES AT HOMEThe Patriots won their 14th straight game at home against AFC East opposition. The last time the Patriots lost a home game against an AFC East opponent was on November 13, 2008, when the New York Jets left Gillette Stadium with a 3431 overtime win. The Patriots are now 30-5 against the AFC East at Gillette Stadium.

## BOUNCING BACK AFTER A LOSS

Since the beginning of 2003, the Patriots are 32-4 (.889) in regular season games following a loss. The Patriots have dropped back-to-back regular season games just four times since 2003.

## DEFENSE BEARS DOWN LATE AGAINST AFC

 EASTThe Patriots have now allowed no fourth-quarter points in their last five games against AFC East opponents. The last time a divisional opponent scored in the fourth quarter against the Patriots was on December 2, 2012, at Miami.

## LOGAN RYAN FORCED A FUMBLE ON HIS FIRST NFL SACK

Logan Ryan forced a fumble on his first NFL sack a week after returning his first career interception for a touchdown. Ryan strip-sacked Ryan Tannehill, forcing a fumble on a 10yard sack that was recovered by Rob Ninkovich to give the Patriots possession at the Dolphins' 13-yard line in the third quarter. The play set up a 3 -play, 13 -yard drive that ended in Brandon Bolden's 2 -yard touchdown run that tied the game at 17 in the third quarter. The play marked the second time in as many weeks that a Ryan turnover has led to Patriots points. The week before against the New York Jets, Ryan scored on a 79-yard interception return for a touchdown.

CHANDLER JONES BLOCKS A FIELD GOAL
Chandler Jones blocked a 39 -yard Miami field goal attempt with 2:51 remaining in the game to help thwart a Miami comeback attempt. The block came with Miami seeking to make the contest a one-score game, as it trailed 27-17 in the fourth quarter. The blocked field goal was the first for the Patriots since Oct. 4, 2010, when Patrick Chung blocked a 54yard attempt by Miami's Dan Carpenter in Miami.

## AARON DOBSON SCORES SECOND CAREER

 TOUCHDOWNRookie WR Aaron Dobson scored his second touchdown of the season after a 14-yard touchdown catch from Tom Brady in the third quarter. Both of Dobson's touchdown receptions this season have come on his first catch of the game. His 39 -yard touchdown reception vs. the New York Jets on Sept. 12, 2013 was on his first reception of the night and the first reception of his career.

## TOM BRADY IMPROVES TO 11-1 IN HOME <br> GAMES AGAINST MIAMI

Tom Brady improved his record as a starter at home against Miami to 11-1. The only time the Patriots have lost a home game against Miami in which Brady started was in the final game of the 2005 season on Jan. 1, 2006, where Brady left the game after the first quarter since the Patriots had already locked up the AFC East. The Patriots lost to the Dolphins, 2826.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. DDLPHINS

## BRADY PASSES FRAN TARKENTON FOR FOURTH PLACE ON NFL TD LIST

Tom Brady threw his 343rd career touchdown pass on a 14yard touchdown pass to WR Aaron Dobson in the third quarter to pass Fran Tarkenton for fourth place on the NFL's all-time list. With five touchdown passes today, Drew Brees also passed Tarkenton as Brady and Brees are now tied for fourth place all-time with 343 career touchdown passes. Dan Marino is in third place with 420 touchdowns.

## PATRIOTS SACK ATTACK TOTALS SEASON- <br> HIGH SIX SACKS

The Patriots defense had a season-high six sacks - all coming in the second half. The six sacks were the most for the Patriots since Dec. 30, 2012, when New England had seven sacks in a 28-0 win over Miami.

## LOGAN RYAN HAD A PAIR OF SACKS

Logan Ryan had a pair of sacks - a 10 -yard strip-sack in the third quarter and combined with DT Chris Jones on a sack for an 8 -yard loss in the fourth quarter. Ryan also batted down a Ryan Tannehill pass intended for Dion Sims on third down from Miami's own 20 -yard line in the third quarter, forcing a Miami punt on the next play and finishing off a three-and-out for the Patriots defense.

## PATRIOTS SCORE 24 UNANSWERED POINTS IN THE SECOND HALF

The Patriots scored 24 unanswered points in the second half to turn a 17-3 halftime deficit into a 27-17 victory. The Patriots ran for 111 yards in the second half, recorded six second-half sacks, and forced three second-half turnovers to lead the comeback. New England's 24 second half points are its highest second-half total this season and its most since scoring 31 second-half points against San Francisco on Dec. 16, 2012. The Patriots' winning comeback from a 14 -point halftime deficit was their biggest comeback from a halftime deficit to win since Dec. 24, 2011, when the Patriots trailed the Dolphins at Gillette Stadium 17-0 at halftime and came back to win 27-24.
PATRIOTS' THIRD QUARTER SPARK TIES GAME The Patriots scored two touchdowns in 1:46 of game time in the third quarter to turn a 17-3 deficit into a 17-17 tie. Tom Brady found Aaron Dobson for a 14 -yard score to cut Miami's lead to 17-10 with 8:28 left in the third quarter. After a Logan Ryan strip-sack gave the Patriots possession at the Miami 13 -yard line, Brandon Bolden ran the ball in from two yards out and scored with 6:42 left in the third quarter to tie the game at 17.

## PATRIOTS WICKED GOOD IN OCTOBER

The Patriots are an NFL-best 37-9 in the month of October since the 2003 season. The Patriots are 22-1 (.957) at home during that time in October. The Patriots' only home loss in October since 2003 was a 41-17 victory by the visiting San Diego Chargers on Oct. 2, 2005.

## PATRIOTS FORCE A TURNOVER FOR THE 35 STRAIGHT GAME

The Patriots have now forced a turnover in 35 straight games dating back to 2011 after Logan Ryan's forced fumble on a 10 -yard sack in the third quarter. It is the longest active streak in the NFL. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 1985-1990. The last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

NINKOVICH HAS RECOVERED THE MOST FUMBLES SINCE 2010; RECOVERED HIS $11^{\text {TH }}$ FUMBLE SINCE 2010
Rob Ninkovich recovered a third quarter fumble that was forced on a sack by Logan Ryan in the third quarter. Ninkovich has the most fumble recoveries of any NFL player over the last four years (2010-13) with 11 . Vince Wilfork is second with seven opponent fumble recoveries during that time.

## TWO 23-YARD GAINS LEAD TO FIRST PATRIOTS TOUCHDOWN

A pair of 23 -yard gains were key plays on New England's third quarter touchdown drive that began the Patriots' second-half charge to turn a 17-3 deficit into a 27-17 win. Stevan Ridley gave the Patriots offense a spark with a 23 yard run (Ridley's longest of the season) to give the Patriots a first down at the Dolphins' 36-yard line with 10:13 left in the third quarter, one play after Miami missed a 46 -yard field goal that would have given it a 20-3 lead. Two plays after Ridley's run, Tom Brady hit Rob Gronkowski for a 23 -yard reception, giving New England a first down at the Miami 18. Two plays after that, Brady found Aaron Dobson on a 14yard scoring pass that cut the Miami lead to 17-10 following the extra point.

## CHRIS JONES LEADS ALL ROOKIES WITH 4.5

 SACKSChris Jones sacked Tannehill for a 7-yard loss in the fourth quarter. The play marked the second of back-to-back sacks for the Patriots and followed Dane Fletcher's sack. The sack raised Chris Jones' season total to 4.5 sacks, a total that ranks second on the team to Chandler Jones' 6.5 sacks. Jones entered the game leading all NFL rookies with 3.5 sacks.

## DEVIN MCCOURTY BATTED A BALL BACK INTO PLAY TO SET UP A MARQUICE COLE INTERCEPTION

Marquice Cole recorded his first interception of the season and his fourth career interception when Devin McCourty batted an errant Ryan Tannehill pass, volleyball-style, back into the field of play where it was hauled in by Cole. The play gave New England a first down at the Miami 18-yard line and set up a 13 -play, 82 -yard drive that ended in Stevan Ridley's 3-yard touchdown run and a 27-17 Patriots lead.

## DURON HARMON HAS FIRST NFL INTERCEPTION

2013 third-round pick Duron Harmon registered his first NFL interception when he picked off a QB Ryan Tannehill pass in the closing seconds of the game to secure the Patriots 27-17 win.

# 2013 Season - Game \#9 <br> New England Patriots 55, Pittsburgh Steelers 31 

Sunday, Nov. 3, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. * 4:25 p.m. EDT
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf * Weather: Partly Cloudy $*$ Temp: $44^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: $\mathrm{N} 6 \mathrm{mph} *$ Time of Game: 3:29


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Pittsburgh Steelers (2-6) | 0 | 10 | 14 | 7 | 31 |  |
| New England Patriots (7-2) | 7 | 17 | 3 | 28 | 55 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Visitor: PIT Home: NE |
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS |  |
| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY | 5-13-38\%... 7-12-58\% |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY | .. 1-3-33\%.......0-1-0\% |
| TOTAL NET YARDS | .......479........... 610 |
| Total Offensive Plays | .73............ 71 |
| NET YARDS RUSHING | .108........... 197 |
| NET YARDS PASSING | .371........... 413 |
| PUNTS Number and Average | .3-46.7........2-50.5 |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards | .8/96.......... 3/30 |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost | ... 1/1............ $1 / 1$ |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts. | .... 4/4........... 7/7 |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts | 1/1........... $2 / 2$ |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY. | 3-4-75\%.... $5-8-63 \%$ |
| TIME OF POSSESSION . | .31:12.........28:48 |



| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2 4}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
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| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| F.Jones | 3 | 72 | 24.3 | 0 | 40 | 0 |
| J.Dwyer | 2 | 38 | 19.0 | 0 | 23 | 0 |
| E.Sanders | 1 | 19 | 19.0 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| (TOUCHACK) | 4 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 1 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| L.Blount | 3 | 72 | 24.0 | 0 | 28 | 0 |
| M.Slater | 1 | 10 | 10.0 | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| D.McCourty | 1 | 7 | 7.0 | 0 | 7 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{8 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. STEELERS

| PATRIOTS 55, PITTSBURGH 31 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| November 3, $2013 \boldsymbol{*}$ Gillette Stadium |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pittsburgh Steelers | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 10 | 14 | 7 | $\mathbf{- 3 1}$ |
| ( | 17 | 3 | 28 | $\mathbf{- 5 5}$ |  |

The New England Patriots used one of their best offensive performances in team history to help beat the Pittsburgh Steelers, $55-31$. The 55 points and the 610 total yards by the Patriots are the most ever against the Steelers in their 81 -year history. Pittsburgh gave up 54 points in a 1985 loss at San Diego and 559 yards in 1988 at Cincinnati.

Tom Brady threw for a season-high of 432 yards with four touchdowns. Brady had 252 yards passing at halftime, more yards than he had in five of the first eight games of the season.

Brady completed 23 of 33 passes against a defense that let receivers run for several long receptions, including a 57yarder to WR Danny Amendola that set up a K Stephen Gostkowski field goal. Brady threw scoring passes of 34 yards to Amendola, a 19-yarder to TE Rob Gronkowsi, and 17 and 81 yards to WR Aaron Dobson.

Gronkowski (143), Dobson (130) and Amendola (122) all went over 100 yards, marking the first time in team history that the team had three 100 -yard receivers in the same game. RB Stevan Ridley added 115 yards with two touchdowns.

The Patriots jumped out to a 17-3 lead and took a 24-10 lead into halftime after scoring on their final four offensive drives of the first half.

Pittsburgh closed the New England lead to 17-10 after a 27-yard touchdown pass from QB Ben Roethlisberger to WR Antonio Brown with two minutes to play in the first half. The Patriots got the ball back with 1:50 left to play and went 77 yards on nine plays before a 1 -yard scoring run by Ridley to take the 24-10 lead into the break.

Pittsburgh turned the ball over in two of its first three possessions of the game with a fumble on a sack by DE Rob Ninkovich that was recovered by the Patriots to stop a Pittsburgh drive into New England territory. Later in the first quarter, Roethlisberger was intercepted by S Devin McCourty at the Pittsburgh 34 -yard line. Brady threw his 34 -yard touchdown pass to Amendola on the next play.

Pittsburgh scored on two Roethlisberger touchdown passes on their first two drives of the second half to tie the game at 24-24.

The Patriots responded on the ensuing drive with an 11play, 60 -yard drive that ended in a 32 -yard field goal to recapture the lead at 27-24 heading into the final quarter.

New England scored on four straight fourth quarter possessions for a 28 -point fourth quarter, the second most fourth quarter points in team history.
PATRIOTS STRONG IN SEASON'S SECOND HALF The Patriots opened the second half of the 2013 regular season with a victory over Pittsburgh. Since the 2010 season, the Patriots are now a combined $24-1$ in the second half of the regular season. In both 2010 and 2011, the Patriots were $8-0$ in the second half of the regular season and last year New England was 7-1. Since Bill Belichick became Patriots head coach in 2000, New England is 84-21 in the second half of the season, and has gone 8-0 in the second half four times in Belichick's tenure and has had a 71 second half three times under Belichick.

BRADY TIES NFL RECORD BY LEADING THE PATRIOTS TO SIXTH 50-POINT GAME
The 55-31 win over Pittsburgh game marked the sixth time that New England scored at least 50 points in a game started by Brady, tying Len Dawson for the most 50 -point games by a starting QB in NFL history.

BRADY SETS NFL MARK FOR MOST GAMES WITH 4-PLUS TDS AND NO INTERCEPTIONS
Tom Brady had four touchdowns and no interceptions, marking the 15th time in his career that he has had four or more touchdowns without an interception. Brady passed Drew Brees (14) for the most such games in NFL history. Brady has now had 19 games with at least four touchdown passes, a total that ranks fifth in NFL history.

## BRADY GOES LONG

Brady had two passes of 50 or more yards in a single game for the eighth time in his career with a 57 -yard pass to WR Danny Amendola in the second quarter and an 81-yard touchdown pass to WR Aaron Dobson in the fourth quarter.

## BRADY CONNECTS WITH AARON DOBSON ON

AN 81-YARD TOUCHDOWN PASS
Brady connected with Aaron Dobson on an 81-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter. It is tied for the fifth longest pass in Brady's career and is the sixth touchdown pass of 80 or more yards in his career.

## BRADY'S 432 YARDS ARE THIRD HIGHEST

 SINGLE-GAME TOTAL OF HIS CAREERBrady finished with 432 passing yards, marking the third highest single-game total of his 186 -game career. The only times that Brady threw for more yards in a game than he did against Pittsburgh were on Sept. 12, 2011, when he had 517 passing yards at Miami and on Dec. 16, 2012, when Brady had 443 passing yards against San Francisco.

## PATRIOTS' 610 TOTAL NET YARDS RANKS THIRD IN TEAM HISTORY

The Patriots totaled 610 net yards against Pittsburgh, marking the third highest single-game net yardage total in the franchise's 853 -game history. The only times the Patriots have gained more net yards in a game were when they had a team-record 622 total net yards at Miami on Sept. 12, 2011, and when they had 619 total net yards against Tennessee on Oct. 18, 2009.

## PATRIOTS' 55 POINTS TIES FIFTH HIGHEST

## SINGLE GAME TOTAL

The Patriots' 55 points tied the fifth-highest single-game total in team history. New England also had a 55 -point output in a 55-21 win over the New York Jets on Oct. 29, 1978. The Patriots team record for most points scored in a game is 59, achieved on Oct. 18, 2009 against Tennessee and on Nov. 18, 2012 against Indianapolis.
PATRIOTS FORCE A TURNOVER FOR THE 36 STRAIGHT GAME
The Patriots have now forced a turnover in 36 straight games dating back to 2011 after Rob Ninkovich's strip sack that was recovered by DL Joe Vellano in the first quarter. It is the longest active streak in the NFL. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 1985-1990. The last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. STEELERS

## 300-YARD PASSER, THREE 100-YARD RECEIVERS AND A 100-YARD RUSHING PERFORMANCE

The Patriots had a 300 -yard passer (Tom Brady - 432), a 100yard rusher (Stevan Ridley - 115) and three 100-yard receivers (Rob Gronkowski - 143, Aaron Dobson - 130 and Danny Amendola - 122). It is the first time that the Patriots have had a 300 -yard passer, at least two 100 -yard receivers and a 100-yard rusher in the same game since last season at Buffalo on Sept. 30, 2012 when Ridley (106) and Brandon Bolden (137) went over 100 yards rushing, Rob Gronkowski (104) and Wes Welker (129) had 100 yards receiving and Tom Brady passed for 340 yards.

## PATRIOTS FINISH WITH THREE RECEIVERS OVER 100 YARDS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN TEAM HISTORY

The Patriots had three players finish with 100 yards receiving in a single game for the first time in team history when Rob Gronkowski finished with 143 yards, Aaron Dobson with 130 yards and Danny Amendola with 122 yards. It is the $18^{\text {th }}$ time since the merger that a team has had three players finish with 100 yards receiving in the same game.

## PATRIOTS ARE THIRD TEAM IN NFL HISTORY <br> WITH THREE PLAYERS WITH 120-PLUS RECEIVING YARDS AND ONE OR MORE TOUCHDOWNS IN THE SAME GAME

The Patriots had three receivers with 120 or more receiving yards and a touchdown, as Rob Gronkowski (9-143-1), Aaron Dobson (5-130-2) and Danny Amendola (4-122-1). It is the third time in NFL history that a team has had three receivers top the 120 yard mark and score a touchdown in a game. The Dallas Cowboys achieved the feat earlier this season in their 51-48 loss to the Denver Broncos on Oct. 6, 2013. In that game, the Cowboys' Terrence Williams (4-151-1), Dez Bryant (6-141-2) and Jason Witten (7-121-1) all had 120 or more yards and a touchdown. The only other time in NFL history that a team had such an accomplishment was the Houston Oilers on Nov. 19, 1961 against the New York Titans. In that game, the Oilers' Bill Groman (5-152-3), Charley Hennigan (8-123-1) and Billy Cannon (7-122-3) had 120 or more yards to go along with a touchdown as the Oilers beat New York 49-13.

## DANNY AMENDOLA REGISTERS FIRST PATRIOTS TOUCHDOWN: BECOMES 50 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ DIFFERENT PLAYER TO CATCH A TOUCHDOWN PASS FROM TOM BRADY

Danny Amendola caught his first touchdown as a member of the Patriots on a 34 -yard reception from Tom Brady in the first quarter. Amendola is the $50^{\text {th }}$ different player to catch a touchdown pass from Tom Brady.

## AMENDOLA CONNECTS WITH BRADY FOR A 57- <br> YARD GAIN; LONGEST RECEPTION OF HIS CAREER

Amendola and Tom Brady connected for a 57-yard reception in the second quarter. It is the longest reception of Amendola's career. His previous best was a 56 -yard reception vs. Washington on Sept. 16, 2012, when he was with St. Louis.

AMENDOLA REGISTERS SECOND 100 YARD GAME AS A PATRIOT
Amendola finished with four receptions for 122 yards. It is his second 100 -yard game with the Patriots. He had 10 receptions for 104 yards at Buffalo on Sept. 8 in the 2013 season opener. It is the fourth 100 -yard receiving game of his career.

## SACK ATTACK CONTINUES

The Patriots had at least five sacks for the second straight game, marking the first time since 2007 that they have had back-to-back games with at least five sacks. The last time New England had at least five sacks in back-to-back games was in 2007, when they followed up a 5 -sack performance against the New York Jets ( $12 / 16 / 07$ ) with a 7 -sack performance against Miami (12/23/07). The Patriots' five sacks marked their third straight game with at least four sacks. New England had four sacks at the New York Jets on Oct. 20 and had six sacks last week against Miami. Sunday's game marked the fifth time this year the Patriots have had at least four sacks.

## BRADY PASSES WARREN MOON FOR SIXTH <br> PLACE ON NFL COMPLETION LIST; PASSES <br> FRAN TARKENTON FOR SEVENTH ON PASSING LIST

Tom Brady $(3,992)$ moved past Warren Moon $(3,988)$ into sixth place all-time on the NFL completions list. John Elway is in fifth place with 4,123 completions. Brady ( 47,062 career yards) moved past Fran Tarkenton $(47,003)$ for seventh place on the NFL's all-time passing yards list.

## STEVAN RIDLEY SCORED A TOUCHDOWN IN HIS FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME

Stevan Ridley scored a rushing touchdown in his fourth straight game. He had a 1 -yard touchdown run in the second quarter and a 5 -yard scoring run in the fourth quarter. In 2012, Ridley had a streak of six straight games with at least one rushing touchdown, which is tied for the second longest streak in team history. Ridley now has six touchdown runs in 2013.

## RIDLEY HAS HIS SECOND TWO-TOUCHDOWN

GAME OF 2013 AND FOURTH OF CAREER
Ridley scored on a 1-yard run in the second quarter and a 5yard run in the fourth quarter. It is the fourth time in his career that he has rushed for two touchdowns in a single game and the second time he has done so in 2013. He scored two touchdowns in the win vs. New Orleans on Oct. 13.

RIDLEY GOES OVER 100 YARDS FOR THE FIRST TIME IN 2013: FIFTH TIME IN HIS CAREER
Ridley had his fifth career 100-yard game and the first of the 2013 season, finishing the game with 115 rushing yards on 26 carries ( 4.4 avg .).

## ROB NINKOVICH GETS FIRST STRIP SACK OF THE SEASON

Rob Ninkovich forced a fumble on a 6-yard sack of QB Ben Roethlisberger that was recovered by DL Joe Vellano at the New England 42-yard line to end Pittsburgh's first drive. It was Ninkovich's first strip sack of the season. He had four strip sacks in 2012.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. STEELERS

## GRONKOWSKI REACHED 200 CAREER RECEPTIONS

Rob Gronkowski caught his $200^{\text {th }}$ career reception on a 27yard pass from Tom Brady in the first quarter to become the $17^{\text {th }}$ player in Patriots history to reach 200 receptions.
TIGHT ENDS TO REACH 200 RECEPTIONS IN THE FEWEST GAMES

| Player | Games |
| :--- | :--- |
| Kellen Winslow | 39 |
| Kellen Winslow, Jr. | 40 |
| Jeremy Shockey | 43 |
| Jimmy Graham | 45 |
| Rob Gronkowski | $\mathbf{4 6}$ |

GRONKOWSKI REACHED 200 RECEPTIONS Patriots Players to reach 200 receptions in the fewest games
Games Played to 200 Career Receptions

| Wes Welker | 29 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Randy Moss | 38 |
| Terry Glenn | 39 |
| Rob Gronkowski | $\mathbf{4 6}$ |

GRONKOWSKI TIES RANDY MOSS WITH 39 TOUCHDOWN PASSES FROM TOM BRADY Gronkowski caught his $39^{\text {th }}$ touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the second quarter on a 19 -yard pass, tying him with Randy Moss for the most touchdown receptions received from Tom Brady. His 39 career touchdowns with the Patriots are tied for the fifth most in team history.

## GRONKOWSKI ADDS TO HIS RECORD WITH

 $11{ }^{\text {TH }} 100$-YARD GAMEGronkowski totaled a season-high 143 receiving yards, registering his 11th career 100 -yard game and his second of the season. Gronkowski had eight receptions for 114 yards at the New York Jets on Oct. 20, 2013. Gronkowski leads all Patriots tight ends with 11 100-yard games. Ben Coates is second with 9 100-yard games.

## GRONKOWSKI HAS THIRD 100-YARD FIRST

 HALFGronkowski finished the first half with 119 yards on seven receptions. It is the most yards he has ever had in a half and the third time he has ever had 100 yards in a half. His previous best was 118 yards in the first half at Washington on Dec. 11, 2011. He also had 106 yards in the first half vs. St. Louis on Oct. 28, 2012 in a game played in London.

## GRONKOWSKI SETS CAREER HIGH IN

## RECEPTIONS

Gronkowski finished the game with nine receptions, setting a new single-game career high. His previous best was eight receptions in a game, a feat he accomplished five times.

## CHANDLER JONES HAS THIRD TWO-SACK GAME OF 2013

Chandler Jones had a pair of sacks and registered his third two-sack game of the 2013 season. Jones also had two sacks vs. New York Jets on Sept. 12 and at the New York Jets on Oct. 20. He now has 8.5 sacks for the year.

## EDELMAN RETURNS A THIRD QUARTER PUNT 43 YARDS

WR Julian Edelman returned a third quarter punt 43 yards. It is his $10^{\text {th }}$ punt return for 30 - or more yards, third in team history behind Troy Brown (14), Irving Fryar (13) and Mike Haynes (13).

BRADY RECORDS 55 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ CAREER 300-YARD GAME
Brady had his 55th NFL game with 300 or more yards passing and his second of the 2013 season. Brady also had 316 yards passing at Atlanta on Sept. 29. His 300 -yard game total ranks third among active NFL quarterbacks, behind NFL-leader Peyton Manning (79) and Drew Brees (73). The Patriots are 45-10 when Brady throws for 300 or more yards.

## GAME TIES FRANCHISE RECORD FOR COMBINED POINTS

The 86 combined points by the Patriots and Steelers in New England's 55-31 win tied the Patriots franchise record for most combined points in a game. The other time New England had 86 combined points in a game was on Oct. 16, 1964, when the Boston Patriots and Oakland Raiders played to a 43-43 tie at Fenway Park.

## PATRIOTS SCORE 28 POINTS IN THE FOURTH <br> OUARTER

The Patriots scored 28 points in the fourth quarter. It is the second highest fourth quarter point total in team history. The Patriots had a 31-point fourth quarter at Buffalo on Sept. 30, 2012.

## PATRIOTS 55 POINTS AND 610 TOTAL YARDS <br> ARE THE MOST EVER AGAINST PITTSBURGH

The 55 points and the 610 total yards by the Patriots are the most ever against the Steelers in their 81-year history. Pittsburgh gave up 54 points in a 1985 loss at San Diego and 559 yards in 1988 at Cincinnati.

## JULIAN EDELMAN LIKES RETURNING PUNTS IN <br> NOVEMBER

Julian Edelman returned a punt for 43 yards against the Steelers in the third quarter, the fifth-longest return of his career. Edelman has excelled returning punts in the month of November throughout his career, as six of his ten longest career returns have come during this month. In twelve career games in November, Edelman has 388 punt return yards on 22 attempts for a 17.6-yard average, the highest of any other month in which he had more than 10 returns. Edelman has also scored two of his three career punt return touchdowns in November, scoring on a 72 -yard return against Kansas City on Nov. 21, 2011 and a 68-yard return against Indianapolis on Nov. 18, 2012.

## The Patriots improved to-

- $24-1$ in the second half of the season (final 8 games) since 2010 (NFL Best).
- 36-13 in November since 2001 (NFL Best).
- 78-15 all-time at Gillette Stadium (NFL Best at home since 2002).
- 232-112 in all games (including playoffs) since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994 (NFL Best).
- 143-41 in regular season games where Tom Brady starts at quarterback (NFL Best QB winning percentage in Super Bowl Era)
- 80-13 in regular season home games where Tom Brady starts at quarterback.


## 2013 Season - Game \#10 <br> Carolina Panthers 24, New England Patriots 20

Monday, Nov. 18, 2013 * Bank of America Stadium, Charlotte, N.C. * 8:42 p.m. ET.
Att: 74,225 * Surface: Grass * Weather: Cloudy * Temp: 59 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: NNW 8 mph * Time of Game: 2:51


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |
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| New England Patriots (7-3) | 0 | 3 | 7 | 10 | 20 |
| Carolina Panthers (7-3) | 7 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 24 |

TEAM STATISTICS
Visitor: NEHome: CAR
TOTAL FIRST DOWNS.........................................28.............. 20
THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY ....................... 5-10-50\%... 8-11-73\%
FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY .................... 1-1-100\%.......0-0-0\%
TOTAL NET YARDS ............................................390............. 300
Total Offensive Plays...........................................67.............. 54
NET YARDS RUSHING ........................................107............. 103
NET YARDS PASSING ........................................283............. 197
PUNTS Number and Average ..........................1-34.0..........2-43.5
PENALTIES Number and Yards..........................5/50........... 7/47
FUMBLES Number and Lost ................................ 1/1............. 0/0
EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts........................... 2/2............. 3/3
FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts ............................. 2/2............. 1/1
RED ZONE EFFICIENCY .............................. 2-5-40\%... 2-2-100\%
TIME OF POSSESSION $30: 46 \quad 29: 14$

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INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

| NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RUSHING |  | ATT |  | YDS |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| L.Blount |  | 10 |  | 49 |  | 4.9 |  | 12 | 0 |
| S.Ridley |  | 13 |  | 48 |  | 3.7 |  | 13 | 1 |
| S.Vereen |  | 1 |  | 7 |  | 7.0 |  | 7 | 0 |
| T.Brady |  | 1 |  | 3 |  | 3.0 |  | 3 | 0 |
| Total |  | 25 |  | 107 |  | 4.3 |  | 13 | 1 |
| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS |  | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| T. Brady | 40 | 29 | 296 |  | 2/13 | 1 | 37 | 1 | 91.2 |
| Total | 40 | 29 | 296 |  | 2/13 | 1 | 37 | 1 | 91.2 |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| S.Vereen | 8 | 65 | 8.1 | 17 | 0 |
| D.Amendola | 6 | 45 | 7.5 | 13 | 0 |
| R.Gronkowski | 5 | 59 | 11.8 | 23 | 1 |
| A.Dobson | 4 | 38 | 9.5 | 11 | 0 |
| J.Edelman | 3 | 27 | 9.0 | 14 | 0 |
| K.Thompkins | 2 | 60 | 30.0 | 37 | 0 |
| M.Hoomanawanui | 1 | 2 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 9 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 . 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 7}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| INTERCEPTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| NONE |  | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS |  | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Allen | 1 |  | 34 | 34.0 | 0 | 1 | 34 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ |  | $\mathbf{3 4}$ | $\mathbf{3 4 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |
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| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| D.Amendola | 1 | 13 | 13.0 | 0 | 13 | 0 |  |
| J.Edelman | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Total |  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KICKOFF RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| (TOUCHBACK) |  | 5 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |  |


| CAROLINA PANTHERS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| RUSHING |  | ATT |  | YDS |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| C.Newton |  | 7 |  | 62 |  | 8.9 |  | 24 | 0 |
| M.Tolbert |  | 6 |  | 17 |  | 2.8 |  | 6 | 0 |
| De.Williams |  | 6 |  | 214 |  | 2.3 |  | 6 | 0 |
| J.Stewart |  | 4 |  | 10 |  | 2.5 |  | 7 | 0 |
| Total |  | 23 |  | 103 |  | 4.5 |  | 24 | 0 |
| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS |  | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| C.Newton | 28 | 19 | 209 |  | 3/12 | 3 | 42 | 0 | 125.4 |
| Total | 28 | 19 | 209 |  | 3/12 | 3 | 42 | 0 | 125.4 |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| B.LaFell | 7 | 59 | 8.4 | 17 | 1 |
| G.Olsen | 5 | 52 | 10.4 | 15 | 1 |
| S.Smith | 4 | 62 | 15.5 | 42 | 0 |
| De.Williams | 2 | 11 | 5.5 | 7 | 0 |
| T.Ginn | 1 | 25 | 25.0 | 25 | 1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |


| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Lester | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| B.Nortman | 2 | 87 | 43.5 | 0 | 0 | 50 |
| Total | 2 | 87 | 43.5 | 0 | 0 | $\mathbf{5 0}$ |


| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| (DOWNED) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| T.Ginn | 3 | 53 | 17.7 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{5 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT PANTHERS

| CAROLINA 24, PATRIOTS 20 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| November 18, 2013 * Bank of America Stadium |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Final |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 3 | 7 | 10 | - 20 |
| Carolina Panthers | 7 | 3 | 7 | 7 | - 24 |

The Carolina Panthers topped the visiting New England Patriots 24-20 in a Monday Night Football matchup at Bank of America Stadium.

Carolina QB Cam Newton threw his third touchdown of the night with a 25 -yard pass to WR Ted Ginn, Jr. with 59 seconds left. Newton drove the Panthers 83 yards on 13 plays for the go-ahead touchdown, but the Patriots still had a chance to get the win.

QB Tom Brady moved the Patriots to the Carolina 18 -yard line and fired a pass into the end zone on the final play. The pass was intercepted by S Robert Lester, but the officials threw a flag after it appeared that LB Luke Kuechly had interfered with TE Rob Gronkowski by grabbing him with both hands. The officials quickly gathered together and waved off the penalty and the game ended. Faced with a fourth-and-10 from their own 20 -yard line with 47 seconds to play, Brady completed a 23 -yard pass to Gronkwoski to keep the drive alive.

Brady was 29 -of-40 for 296 yards and one touchdown, while Newton completed 19 of 28 passes for 209 yards and three touchdowns. He also ran seven times for 62 yards.

Both teams had just seven offensive series, including just one series each in the third quarter. After Carolina built a 10-0 lead, the Patriots answered with a field goal right before the half and then took their second half kick and engineered an 8 -play, 70 -yard drive that ended when Brady connected with Gronkowski for a 9 -yard touchdown pass to tie the game at 10-10.

Carolina answered with a 13-play, 81-yard drive that ended with a 15 -yard touchdown pass from Netwon to TE Greg Olsen to take a 17-10 lead. That drive was kept alive when Newton scrambled on a third-and-seven play, breaking numerous tackles to convert on a 14 -yard run. Newton completed all seven of his pass attempts on that drive for 77 yards.

The Patriots scored on their next two possessions, with a 1 -yard touchdown run by RB Stevan Ridley to tie the game at 17-17 and then a 26 -yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski that gave the Patriots a 20-17 lead. The scoring drives were sandwiched around a key three-and-out defensive series that included a 7 -yard sack by DE Rob Ninkovich, his second of the night.

Newton and the Panthers came right down the field before hitting Ginn on a hitch route. Ginn escaped a few defenders before racing down the sidelines and into the end zone.

The Patriots were two-for-five in the red zone, including the last play of the game. In the second quarter, the Patriots reached the Carolina 13 -yard line before a Ridley fumble ended the drive. Then in the fourth quarter, the Patriots reached the Carolina 8 -yard line before being forced to settle for a field goal.

The Patriots ended a streak of 36 straight games with at least one turnover, a streak that began in October of 2011.

TOM BRADY MAKES HIS $185^{\text {TH }}$ START, ALL UNDER BILL BELICHICK; MOST STARTS BY A OB UNDER ONE HEAD COACH IN NFL HISTORY Tom Brady made his $185^{\text {th }}$ career start, all under Bill Belichick. It is the most starts by a quarterback under one head coach in NFL history. Brady surpassed Dan Marino, who had 184 career starts under head coach Don Shula

BRADY BECOMES SIXTH NFL PLAYER TO

## REACH 4,000 COMPLETIONS

Tom Brady $(4,021)$ became the sixth player in NFL history reach 4,000 completions. He entered the game needing eight completions to reach the milestone. Brady reached 4,000 completions in the first quarter on a 6 -yard pass to WR Danny Amendola.
MOST PASS COMPLETIONS IN NFL HISTORY

| Brett Favre | 6,300 |
| :--- | :--- |
| Peyton Manning | 5,368 |
| Dan Marino | 4,967 |
| Drew Brees | 4,312 |
| John Elway | $\mathbf{4 , 1 2 3}$ |
| Tom Brady | $\mathbf{4 , 0 2 1}$ |
| Warren Moon | $\mathbf{3 , 9 8 8}$ |

## BRADY IS THE THIRD FASTEST TO REACH

## 4,000 COMPLETIONS

Tom Brady has now completed 4,021 passes over his career in the regular season, becoming just the sixth player in NFL history to achieve the feat. Brady achieved the feat in 187 games, third fastest in NFL history behind Drew Brees (169 games) and Peyton Manning (183 games).

| Drew Brees | 169 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Peyton Manning | 183 |  |
| Tom Brady | 187 |  |
| Dan Marino | 193 |  |
| Brett Favre | 196 |  |
| John Elway | 227 |  |
| BRADY TIES STEVE YOUNG FOR THIRD MOST TD PASSES ON MONDAY NIGHT |  |  |
| Brady threw a 9-yard touchdown pass to TE Rob |  |  |
| Gronkowski. It is his $42^{\text {nd }}$ touchdown pass on Monday Night |  |  |
| Football, tying him for third all-time with Steve Young for most touchdown passes on Monday Night Football. |  |  |
| Quarterbacks with the most career touchdown passes on Monday Night Football |  |  |
| Player TD Pas | on Monday Night Football | Games |
| Dan Marino | 74 | 38 |
| Brett Favre | 69 | 38 |
| Tom Brady | 42 | 18 |
| Steve Young | 42 | 25 |
| Peyton Manning | 36 | 17 |
| Joe Montana | 36 | 20 |

PATRIOTS END TURNOVER STREAK
The Patriots ended a streak of 36 straight games with at least one turnover, dating back to 2011. It was the longest active streak in the NFL. The NFL record for most consecutive games with a turnover since the merger in 1970 is 71 by Philadelphia from 1985-1990. Before the Carolina game, the last time the Patriots did not register at least one turnover was on Oct. 9, 2011 vs. the New York Jets.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT PANTHERS

## STEVAN RIDLEY SCORES A TOUCHDOWN IN

 FIFTH STRAIGHT GAMERB Stevan Ridley scored a touchdown in his fifth straight game with a 1 -yard touchdown run in the fourth quarter. In 2012, Ridley had a streak of six straight games with at least one rushing touchdown, which is tied for the second longest streak in team history. Ridley now has seven touchdown runs in 2013.
GRONKOWSKI AND TOM BRADY CONNECT ON
THEIR 40 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ TOUCHDOWN; GRONKOWSKI BECOMES BRADY'S TOP TOUCHDOWN TARGET Gronkowski caught his $40^{\text {th }}$ touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the third quarter on a 9 -yard pass, moving him past Randy Moss for the most touchdown receptions received from Tom Brady. His 40 career touchdowns with the Patriots are tied for the fifth most in team history.
Most Patriots Touchdown Receptions/Career
67 Stanley Morgan
50 Ben Coates
Randy Moss
42 Gino Cappelletti
40 Rob Gronkowski
39 Jim Colclough
38 Irving Fryar
GRONKOWSKI BECOMES THE FASTEST TIGHT END TO REACH 40 TOUCHDOWNS
Gronkowski caught his $40^{\text {th }}$ career touchdown in his $47^{\text {th }} \mathrm{NFL}$ game to become the fastest tight end to reach 40 career touchdown receptions.

FASTEST TO 40 TOUCHDOWNS RECEIVING/ TIGHT END

## Player

Games to $\mathbf{4 0}$ touchdown receptions
Rob Gronkowski (Patriots) 47 Games

| Antonio Gates (SD) | 71 Games |
| :--- | :--- |
| Jerry Smith (WAS) | 76 Games |
| Kellen Winslow SR. (SD) | 92 Games |
| Dallas Clark (IND) | 96 Games |
| Tony Gonzalez (KC) | 101 Games |

## ROB NINKOVICH REGISTERS SECOND CAREER TWO-SACK GAME

Rob Ninkovich was credited with two sacks. It was his second career two sack game. He also had two sacks on Jan. 2, 2011 vs. Miami.
JONES TIES WILLIE MCGINEST FOR THE THIRD MOST SACKS IN FIRST TWO SEASONS
Chandler Jones had a 5 -yard sack in the third quarter and now has 9.5 in 2013. He had 6.0 sacks as a rookie in 2012 and is tied with Willie McGinest for the third most sacks in the first two seasons of his career with 15.5 . He needs a half a sack to become the $15^{\text {th }}$ Patriots player to register 10 or more sacks in one season.
Most Sacks in the First Two Seasons/Patriots History

| Player | Seasons | Sacks |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Garin Veris | $1985-86$ | $21 .(10.0,11.0)$ |
| Chris Slade | $1993-94$ | $18.5(9.0,9.5)$ |
| Chandler Jones | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2 - 1 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 5 . 5}(\mathbf{( 6 . 0 , 9 . 5 )}$ |
| Willie McGinest | $1994-95$ | $15.5(4.5,11)$ |

## THIRD-ROUND PICK DURON HARMON MAKES

 FIRST NFL STARTThird-round draft pick DB Duron Harmon started at safety in place of the injured Steve Gregory. He joins LB Jamie Collins (second round), WR Aaron Dobson (second round), CB Logan Ryan (third round) and WR Josh Boyce (fourth round) as the fifth member of the seven-man draft class to earn a starting assignment.
STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI EXTENDS FIELD GOAL

## STREAK TO 19

Stephen Gostkowski extended his streak to 19 straight field goals with his 42 -yard field goal in the second quarter and a 26 -yard field goal in the fourth quarter. The streak is the longest single-season consecutive field goal streak of Gostkowski's career. The streak is the second longest such streak in a single season in team history. The longest single-season streak in team history belongs to Vinatieri, who booted 23 straight field goals in the 2004 season.

## GOSTKOWSKI SCORES IN HIS 101 ${ }^{\text {sT }}$ STRAIGHT

 GAME TO TIE THE TEAM MARKK Stephen Gostkowski has now scored at least one point in 101 games. He is tied with Adam VinatierI and John Smith for the all-time lead with 101 consecutive games scoring.
Patriots Record for Most Consecutive Games Scored
101 Stephen Gostkowski (12/17/06- present)
101 Adam Vinatieri (11/24/96-12/29/02)
101 John Smith (09/28/75-10/02/80)
GOSTKOWSKI HAS TEN 40-PLUS FIELD GOALS IN 2013
Stephen Gostkowski has ten field goals of 40 or more yards in 2013. Gostkowski needs two more field goals of 40 or more yards this season to set the Patriots' single-season record for most 40 -yard field goals in a single season. Adam Vinatieri had 11 field goals of 40 or more yards in 2004 and 1998 and Gostkowski had 11 such field goals in 2012. Gostkowski is 21-for-22 overall on field goals in 2013.

## RB SHANE VEREEN RETURNS TO ACTION AND <br> SETS CAREER HIGH WITH EIGHT RECEPTIONS

RB Shane Vereen returned to action for the first time since the season opener at Buffalo and set a career-high with eight receptions. His previous best was the seven receptions he had in the 2013 opener at Buffalo.

# 2013 Season - Game \#11 <br> New England Patriots 34, Denver Broncos 31 (OT) 

Sunday, Nov. 24, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. * 8:30 p.m. ET
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf $*$ Weather: Clear, Windy and Cold $*$ Temp: $22^{\circ}{ }^{\circ}$ * Wind: WNW $22 \mathrm{mph} *$ Time of Game: 3:53


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | OT | F |  |  |
| Denver Broncos (9-2) | 17 | 7 | 0 | 7 | 0 | 31 |  |  |
| New England Patriots(8-3) | 0 | 0 | 21 | 10 | 3 | 34 |  |  |



## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. BRDNCDS

PATRIOTS 34, DENVER 31 (OT)
November 24, 2013 * Gillette Stadium

|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | OT | Fina |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :--- |
| Denver Broncos | 17 | 7 | 0 | 7 | $0-$ | $\mathbf{3 1}$ |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 0 | 21 | 10 | $3-$ | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |

K Stephen Gostkowski kicked a 31-yard field goal in overtime after a misplayed punt return by Denver to lift the Patriots to a 34-31 come-from-behind win.

The Patriots came back from a 24 -point deficit to defeat the Broncos, marking the largest comeback win in team history. The Patriots trailed the Broncos 24-0 at halftime. New England's previous best comeback win was from 23 points down on Sept. 16, 1984, when the Patriots came back from a $23-0$ deficit to win $38-23$ vs. Seattle on Sept. 16, 1984.

Denver CB Tony Carter ran into P Ryan Allen's punt and DB Nate Ebner recovered at the Denver 13 -yard line. After two plays, Gostkowski nailed the game-winner with 1:56 remaining in overtime.

The Patriots lost fumbles on their first three possessions, but QB Tom Brady threw for three touchdowns to lead the Patriots from a 24-0 halftime deficit to a 31-24 lead as New England scored on its first five possessions of the second half. Denver QB Peyton Manning then threw an 11-yard touchdown pass to WR Demaryius Thomas to tie the game at 31-31 with 3:10 remaining in regulation.

Brady, who finished 34 -of-50 for 334 yards, was 21-of-28 for 228 yards with three touchdowns in the second half.

The early turnovers helped Denver jump to a 17-0 first quarter lead. Denver LB Von Miller returned a fumble 60 yards for a touchdown on the first drive and then stripsacked Brady to force another turnover in the first quarter, setting up RB Knowshon Moreno's 2-yard touchdown run for a $14-0$ lead.

When New England got the ball back, they held onto it for just two plays before another fumble that was recovered inside New England territory led to a field goal for a 17-0 lead. The Broncos added a touchdown in the second quarter for a 24-0 lead.

Brady helped get the Patriots on the scoreboard on the first series of the second half with an 8 -play, 80 -yard drive that was aided by a 33 -yard pass to TE Rob Gronkowski to help get in position for a 5 -yard touchdown pass from Brady to WR Julian Edelman. Denver, who lost three fumbles in the second half, fumbled on the next series when LB Dane Fletcher forced a fumble on a hit to RB Montee Ball that was recovered by LB Brandon Spikes at the Denver 32-yard line. Six plays later, RB Brandon Bolden ran it in for a 1 -yard score to make it 24-14.

Edelman, who finished the game with nine receptions for 110 yards, caught a 43 -yard pass from Brady on the next series before Brady connected with Gronkowski for a 6 -yard touchdown to make it 24-21 heading into the fourth quarter.

Rookie CB Logan Ryan intercepted a Manning pass early in the fourth quarter deep inside Denver territory. Three plays later, Brady connected with Edelman for his second touchdown of the night on a 14-yard pass that gave New England the lead at 28-24.

The temperature at kickoff was 22 degrees, making the Broncos game the coldest regular season home game in Gillette Stadium history.

The Patriots held Denver's pass offense to 132 net yards, despite the Broncos coming into the game averaging an NFL-best 350.4 passing yards per game. Manning had just 73 yards through three and a half quarters and finished with only 150 passing yards.

PATRIOTS COMPLETE BIGGEST COMEBACK IN TEAM HISTORY
The Patriots came back from a 24-point deficit to defeat the Broncos 34-31 in overtime, marking the largest comeback win in team history. The Patriots trailed the Broncos 24-0 at halftime. New England's previous best comeback win was from 23 points down on Sept. 16, 1984, then the Patriots came back from a 23-0 deficit to win 38-23 vs. Seattle on Sept. 16, 1984. The Patriots came from 22 points down to win at the New York Giants, 23-22, on Dec, 21, 1996. The Patriots have come from 21 points down to win four times, most recently on Jan. 1, 2012 against Buffalo. Before tonight, the last time the Patriots allowed 24 first half points was on Nov. 30, 2009 at New Orleans, when the Patriots trailed 24-10 at halftime. Before tonight, the last time the Patriots did not score in first half was on Dec. 24, 2011, when they trailed Miami 17-0 at halftime in a 27-24 win at Gillette Stadium.

## SUSTAINED SUCCESS: PATRIOTS TO FINISH . 500 OR BETTER FOR THE $13{ }^{\text {TH }}$ STRAIGHT SEASON

After improving to 8-3 on the 2013 season, the Patriots are guaranteed to finish the season with a record of .500 or better for the 13th consecutive year. At the conclusion of the 2013 season, the Patriots will be the only NFL team to finish with a record of .500 or better in each of the last 13 years (2001-2013). Each of the other 31 NFL teams had at least one losing season between 2001 and 2012.
PATRIOTS STRONG IN SEASON'S SECOND HALF
The Patriots improved to a record of 25-2 in the second half of the season since 2010. In both 2010 and 2011, the Patriots were $8-0$ in the second half of the regular season and last year New England was 7-1. The Patriots are now 21 in the second half in 2013. Since Bill Belichick became Patriots head coach in 2000, New England is 85-22 in the second half of the season.

## TOM BRADY IS HOT WHEN IT IS COLD

Tom Brady is now 25-5 as a starting QB when the gametime temperature is 32 degrees or lower, throwing 51 touchdowns and just 21 interceptions. Brady improved his record to $40-6$ when the gametime temperature is 40 degrees or colder (including playoffs). Brady has thrown 85 touchdowns and only 30 interceptions in such games, including a three-touchdown, no-interception performance against Denver tonight. Brady's regular season record in games where the temperature is 40 or less is $30-4$ and his playoff record in such games is $10-2$.
COLDEST REGULAR SEASON HOME GAME IN
GILLETTE STADIUM HISTORY
The temperature at kickoff was 22 degrees, making the Broncos game the coldest regular season home game in Gillette Stadium history. It is the coldest Patriots home game since Dec. 26, 1993 vs. Indianapolis at Foxboro Stadium when the temperature was 19 degrees. The Patriots won that game 38-0. The coldest game ever at Gillette Stadium was the 2003 AFC Divisional Playoff game vs. Tennessee, when the Patriots beat the Titans 17-14 in temperature of 4 degrees with a wind chill of -10 .
COLDEST NOVEMBER GAME IN TEAM HISTORY The game was the coldest November game in team history at 22 degrees. The previous coldest was Nov. 22, 1987 vs. Indianapolis in 26 degrees in Sullivan Stadium. The Patriots won that game, 24-0.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. BRDNLDS

## BRADY ENGINEERS 39 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ CAREER GAMEWINNING PERFORMANCE

The comeback against the Broncos marked the 39th time that Tom Brady has led the Patriots to victory following a fourth-quarter deficit or tie (including playoffs). It was the third time he achieved the feat in 2013, joining comeback performances at Buffalo (Sept. 8) and against New Orleans (Oct. 13). Against the Broncos, the Patriots trailed 24-21 heading into the fourth quarter, took a 31-24 lead with 7:37 remaining, and then saw Denver tie the game with 3:06 left in regulation before the Patriots won it with 1:56 remaining in overtime.

## GOSTKOWSKI NAILS GAME-WINNIG 31-YARD FIELD GOAL

Stephen Gostkowski hit a game-winning 31-yard field goal with 1:56 remaining in overtime to cap the Patriots' 34-31 comeback win. The game-winner was the third of Gostkowski's regular-season career (he also has one in the playoffs). Tonight's game-winner was Gostkowski's second career overtime game winner, joining his winning boot against Baltimore at Gillette Stadium on Oct. 17, 2010 (which also came with 1:56 remaining in overtime).
GOSTKOWSKI SETS TEAM MARK BY SCORING IN HIS $102^{\text {ND }}$ CONSECUTIVE GAME
K Stephen Gostkowski added an extra point in the third quarter and has now scored at least one point in 102 consecutive games to set a franchise record. He entered the game tied with Adam Vinatieri and John Smith for the alltime lead with 101 consecutive games scoring.

## JULIAN EDELMAN HAS SECOND TWO- <br> TOUCHDOWN GAME OF 2013

Julian Edelman had his second two-touchdown game in the regular season, second of the 2013 season and third overall. He had two touchdowns in the season-opener at Buffalo on Sept. 8, 2013. He caught two touchdowns as a rookie in the 2009 postseason game vs. Baltimore on Jan. 10, 2010. Edelman now has four touchdown catches this season, setting a new single-season career high. Edelman's previous best was three touchdowns in 2012.
EDELMAN HAS THIRD CAREER 100-YARD GAME Julian Edelman had nine catches for 110 receiving yards and two touchdowns, marking his third career 100-yard receiving game and his second such game this season. The 110 yards marks the second highest single-game total of his career, trailing only his 118 yards at Atlanta on Sept. 29, 2013. Including the Atlanta game and tonight's game, Edelman also had a 100-yard day at Houston on Jan. 3, 2010 (103 yards).

## BRANDON BOLDEN HAS SECOND 30-YARD RUN OF 2013

RB Brandon Bolden had a 33 -yard run in the second quarter. It was his second run of 30 or more yards in 2013. He had a career-high 46 -yard run vs. Tampa Bay on Sept. 22, 2013.

## PATRIOTS HOLD BRONCOS PASS OFFENSE TO 132 YARDS

The Patriots held the Broncos' pass offense to 132 net yards, despite Denver coming into the game averaging an NFL-best 350.4 passing yards per game. New England's passing attack totaled 324 net yards, ahead of its average of 237.1 net passing yards heading into the game.

THE PATRIOTS HAVE NOT GONE CONSECUTIVE GAMES WITHOUT A TURNOVER SINCE 2005 The Patriots had four takeaways against Denver, a week after ending a streak of 36 straight games with at least one takeaway at Carolina on Nov. 18. The Patriots have not gone consecutive games without a turnover since a three game streak in 2005 ( $10 / 2$ vs. San Diego, 10/9 at Atlanta and 10/16 at Denver).

## BOUNCING BACK AFTER A LOSS

Since the beginning of 2003, the Patriots are now 33-4 (.892) in regular season games following a loss. The Patriots have dropped back-to-back regular season games just four times since 2003.

## WHEN BRADY STARTS ON SUNDAY NIGHT, THE PATRIOTS SCORE 30

The Patriots scored 34 points, marking the 11th consecutive time that a Tom Brady-led Patriots offense has scored at least 30 points on Sunday Night Football.
BRADY IS ONE OF FIVE TO REACH 350 CAREER TOUCHDOWNS
Tom Brady threw three touchdowns against Denver to become just the fifth NFL player to reach at least 350 career touchdown passes. Brady is one of five players in NFL history to have at least 350 career touchdown passes.
GOSTKOWSKI EXTENDS FIELD GOAL STREAK

## TO 21

Stephen Gostkowski extended his streak to 21 straight field goals with his 31-yard field goals in the fourth quarter and overtime. The streak is the longest single-season consecutive field goal streak of Gostkowski's career. The streak is the second longest such streak in a single season in team history. The longest single-season streak in team history belongs to Vinatieri, who booted 23 straight field goals in the 2004 season. Vinatieri has the longest streak of consecutive field goals overall for the Patriots with 25.

## PATRIOTS GOOD IN NOVEMBER

The New England Patriots own an NFL-best 37-14 (.725) record in the month of November since 2001. During that time, the Patriots have had four undefeated Novembers, including winning all three November games in 2012.

## CHANDLER JONES GOES OVER 10 SACKS FOR

 THE SEASONChandler Jones had a 10 -yard sack of QB Peyton Manning in the first quarter and now has $101 / 2$ sacks on the year. The Patriots have now had a player finish with 10 or more sacks in a season 15 times in team history

## BRADY HAS BIG NIGHT

Tom Brady completed 34-of-55 passes for 344 yards, three touchdowns and no interceptions for a 107.4 passer rating. The 344 yards are Brady's second highest total in 2013, trailing only his 432-yard performance against Pittsburgh on Nov. 3. Brady totaled 1,072 passing yards and eight touchdowns in his three November games, averaging 357 yards and 2.7 touchdowns per game.

## LOGAN RYAN INTERCEPTION

Logan Ryan intercepted Peyton Manning at the Broncos' 30yard line in the fourth quarter with the Patriots trailing 2421. The play set up Julian Edelman's 14 -yard scoring catch that gave the Patriots a 28-24 lead. The interception was Ryan's second of the season and the second of the rookie's career. His other interception was returned 79 yards for a touchdown against the New York Jets on Oct. 20.

# 2013 Season - Game \#12 <br> New England Patriots 34, Houston Texans 31 

Sunday, Dec. 1, 2013 * Reliant Stadium, Houston, Texas. * 1:02 p.m. ET
Att: 71,769 * Surface: Grass * Weather: Mostly Cloudy $\star$ Temp: $64^{\circ} \mathrm{F} \star$ Wind: SE 7 mph * Time of Game: 2:54


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | F |  |
| New England Patriots (9-3) | 7 | 0 | 14 | 13 | 34 |  |
| Houston Texans (2-10) | 10 | 7 | 7 | 7 | 31 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Visitor: NEHome: HOU |
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS | .28............ 19 |
| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY. | 5-12-42\%... 5-11-45\% |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY | ...... 0-0-0\%...... 0-1-0\% |
| TOTAL NET YARDS | ......453........... 385 |
| Total Offensive Plays. | ....69............ 59 |
| NET YARDS RUSHING | ..88........... 121 |
| NET YARDS PASSING | .365........... 264 |
| PUNTS Number and Average | ...3-44.0........3-44.7 |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards. | ........ 0/0.......... 2/25 |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost | . 0/0............ 0/0 |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts | ...... 4/4............ 4/4 |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts | . 2/3........... 1/2 |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY.. | 3-3-100\%... 3-3-100\% |
| TIME OF POSSESSION | 33:45 26:14 |


| SCORING PLAYS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
| Texans | 1 | 8:44 | B.Tate 8 yd . run (R.Bullock kick) (5-52, 2:04) | 0 | 7 |
| Texans | 1 | 4:10 | R.Bullock 43 yd. Field Goal (4-6, 1:32) | 0 | 10 |
| Patriots | 1 | 1:25 | R.Gronkowski 23 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (6-55, 2:45) | 7 | 10 |
| Texans | 2 | 1:47 | B.Tate 20 yd. run (R.Bullock kick) (7-55, 3:03) | 7 | 17 |
| Patriots | 3 | 12:41 | J.Develin 1 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (5-78, 2:19) | 14 | 17 |
| Patriots | 3 | 8:06 | S.Vereen 9 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (7-73, 3:04) | 21 | 17 |
| Texans | 3 | 2:11 | C.Keenum 5 yd. run (R.Bullock kick) (10-81, 5:55) | 21 | 24 |
| Patriots | 4 | 13:09 | L.Blount 7 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (9-81, 4:02) | 28 | 24 |
| Texans | 4 | 11:35 | B.Tate 10 yd. run (R.Bullock kick) (3-80, 1:34) | 28 | 31 |
| Patriots | 4 | 7:16 | S.Gostkowski 53 yd. Field Goal (9-40, 4:19) | 31 | 31 |
| Patriots | 4 | 3:12 | S.Gostkowski 53 yd. Field Goal (7-32, 3:32) | 34 | 31 |

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

| NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING |  | ATT |  | YDS |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| L.Blount |  | 12 |  | 44 |  | 3.7 |  | 8 | 1 |
| S.Vereen |  | 10 |  | 38 |  | 3.8 |  | 14 | 0 |
| J.Develin |  | 2 |  | 4 |  | 2.0 |  | 3 | 1 |
| B.Bolden |  | 3 |  | 2 |  | 0.7 |  | 1 | 0 |
| Total |  | 27 |  | 88 |  | 3.3 |  | 14 | 1 |
| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS |  | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| T. Brady | 41 | 29 | 371 |  | 1/6 | 2 | 50 | 1 | 104.8 |
| Total | 41 | 29 | 371 |  | 1/6 | 2 | 50 | 1 | 104.8 |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Edelman | 9 | 101 | 11.2 | 25 | 0 |
| R.Gronkowski | 6 | 127 | 21.2 | 50 | 1 |
| D.Amendola | 5 | 54 | 10.8 | 17 | 0 |
| S.Vereen | 5 | 37 | 7.4 | 12 | 1 |
| B.Bolden | 1 | 18 | 18.0 | 18 | 0 |
| J.Develin | 1 | 12 | 12.0 | 12 | 0 |
| J.Boyce | 1 | 6 | 6.0 | 6 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 9}$ | $\mathbf{3 7 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 0}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |


| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| L.Ryan | 1 | 2 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Allen | 3 | 132 | 44.0 | 1 | 1 | 51 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 4 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{5 1}$ |


| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Edelman | 1 | 11 | 11.0 | 1 | 11 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| J.Boyce | 6 | 149 | 24.8 | 0 | 41 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 9}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 . 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{4 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


|  | HOUSTON TEXANS <br> RUSHING |  |  |  |  |  |  | ATT | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B.Tate | 22 | 102 | 4.6 | 20 | 3 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| D.Johnson | 3 | 13 | 4.3 | 9 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C.Keenum | 3 | 6 | 2.0 | 5 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |


| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| C.Keenum | 30 | 15 | 272 | $1 / 8$ | 0 | 66 | 1 | 67.6 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3 0}$ | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 / 8}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{6 6}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{6 7 . 6}$ |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| A.Johnson | 8 | 121 | 15.1 | 29 | 0 |
| G.Graham | 3 | 36 | 12.0 | 17 | 0 |
| D.Hopkins | 2 | 77 | 38.5 | 66 | 0 |
| K.Martin | 1 | 27 | 27.0 | 27 | 0 |
| D.Johnson | 1 | 11 | 11.0 | 11 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 8 . 1}$ | $\mathbf{6 6}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| J.Joseph | 1 | 31 | 31.0 | 31 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{3 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 1 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| S.Lechler | 3 | 134 | 44.7 | 0 | 1 | 55 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{1 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 4 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{5 5}$ |


| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| K.Martin | 1 | 6 | 6.0 | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| (DOWNED) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{6 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| K.Martin | 2 | 71 | 35.5 | 0 | 50 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 5 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{7 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 5 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{5 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT TEXANS

PATRIOTS 34, HOUSTON 31
December 1, 2013 * Reliant Stadium

|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| New England Patriots | 7 | 0 | 14 | 13 | $\mathbf{- 3 4}$ |
| Houston Texans | 10 | 7 | 7 | 7 | $\mathbf{- 3 1}$ |

The New England Patriots needed another big second half in a 34-31 victory over the Houston Texans at Reliant Stadium. Tom Brady threw for 371 yards and two touchdowns and K Stephen Gostkowski made two 53-yard field goals in the fourth quarter as the Patriots were able to rally for the win

The Patriots trailed by 10 points at halftime and the lead changed five times in the second half. After falling behind 17-7 at halftime, the Patriots scored on five of six second half drives to secure their 13 straight winning record with their ninth win of the year.

TE Rob Gronkowski caught six passes for 127 yards, and WR Julian Edelman added nine receptions for 101 yards.

Brady connected with Gronkowski on a 50 -yard pass to get to the Houston 13-yard line on the first series of the second half. That helped the Patriots get in position for a 1yard touchdown run by FB James Develin to cut the lead to 17-14. After stopping Houston on the next series, Brady picked apart the Houston secondary on a drive that included a 17 -yard pass to WR Danny Amendola and a 25 -yard pass to Edelman before culminating the drive with a 9 -yard touchdown pass to RB Shane Vereen to put the Patriots in front 21-17.

Houston recaptured the lead on the next series when QB Case Keenum threw a 28 -yard completion to WR Andre Johnson and a 17-yarder to TE Garrett Graham before finishing the 10 -play, 81 -yard drive with a 5 -yard touchdown run that made it 24-21 heading into the final quarter of play.

The first three drives of the fourth quarter resulted in scores. The Patriots began the scoring by culminating a 9play, 81-yard drive with a 7 -yard touchdown run by RB LeGarrette Blount for a 28-24 lead. Houston then answered with a scoring drive that was set up by a 66 -yard pass from Keenum to WR DeAndre Hopkins that put the Texans in position for a 10 -yard touchdown run by RB Ben Tate for a 31-28 Houston lead. New England answered that drive with a 9 -play, 40 -yard drive that resulted in a 53 -yard field goal by Gostkowski to tie the game at 31-31.

After stopping the Texans on the next series, a 17-yard pass from Brady to Gronkowski helped get in position for Gostkowski's game-winning 53 -yard field goal with $3: 12$ to play. It was the second straight week that Gostkowski drilled a game-winning field goal to give the Patriots the win.

Tate, who finished with 102 yards and three touchdowns, got Houston on the scoreboard first when he finished a 5play, 52 -yard drive with an 8 -yard score. Houston CB Johnathan Joseph picked off a Brady pass on the next series, leading to a Houston field goal and a 10-0 first quarter lead.

Brady led the Patriots on 55 -yard drive and finished the drive with a 23 -yard touchdown pass to Gronkowski late in the first quarter to make it 10-7.

Houston extended its lead in the second quarter when Tate scored his second touchdown on a 20 -yard run.

For the second time in 2013, the Patriots did not commit a penalty in a game. The Patriots were penalty free at Cincinnati on Oct. 6.

PATRIOTS EARN $13^{\text {H }}$ STRAIGHT WINNING RECORD
The Patriots won more than half of their games for the 13th straight year after reaching nine wins with the 34-31 win at Houston. They are the first team to win more than half of their games in 13 straight seasons since free agency began in 1993. The Patriots are the third team to win more than half of their games in 13 straight seasons since the 1970 AFL-NFL merger, joining the 49ers (16 straight from 19831998) and the Cowboys (16 straight from 1970-85).

BELICHICK EXTENDS STREAK TO 13 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ STRAIGHT WINNING RECORD
Bill Belichick has now led the Patriots to 13 straight winning seasons (2001-13). The only other NFL coach to have at least 10 consecutive winning seasons with one team since the 1970 merger was Tom Landry, who led the Dallas Cowboys to 16 consecutive winning seasons (1970-85). Belichick's 13 straight winning seasons are third all-time, behind 20 by Landry (1966-85) and 14 by Curly Lambeau with Green Bay (1934-47).

STRONG IN THE SECOND HALF (PART 1)
Since 2001, the Patriots have done a remarkable job of finishing the season strong, compiling an NFL-best 76-18 (.809) record in games on or after Thanksgiving.

PATRIOTS STRONG IN SEASON'S SECOND HALF (PART 2)
The Patriots improved to a record of 26-2 in the second half of the season since 2010. In both 2010 and 2011, the Patriots were $8-0$ in the second half of the regular season and last year New England was 7-1. The Patriots are now 31 in the second half in 2013. Since Bill Belichick became Patriots head coach in 2000, New England is $86-22$ in the second half of the season.

## PATRIOTS OWN THE NFL'S TOP DECEMBER RECORD SINCE 2001

The Patriots have an NFL-best 46-6 record in the month of December since the 2001 season. The Patriots have won 16 of their last 17, including their last eight December games on the road.

## BELICHICK IS GOOD IN

Bill Belichick is 48-8 (.857) in December with New England, the best record in December among head coaches with one team in NFL history (min. 25 games). George Seifert is second (27-6, .818).

## GOSTKOWSKI NAILS GAME-WINNING 53YARD FIELD GOAL

Stephen Gostkowski hit a game-winning 53-yard field goal with 3:12 remaining to cap the Patriots' $34-31$ win. The game-winner was the fourth of Gostkowski's regular-season career (he also has one in the playoffs) and the second straight week that he connected on a game-winner.

## GOSTKOWSKI SETS TEAM MARK FOR MOST 40YARD FIELD GOALS IN A SEASON

Stephen Gostkowski connected on two 53 -yard field goals and now has 12 field goals of 40 or more yards in 2013 to set a team mark for most field goals of 40 or more yards in a single season. Adam Vinatieri had 11 field goals of 40 or more yards in 2004 and 1998 and Gostkowski had 11 such field goals in 2012.

GOSTKOWSKI EXTENDS STREAK TO 21

## STRAIGHT FOURTH QUARTER FIELD GOALS

Gostkowski extended his streak to 21 straight fourth quarter field goals.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT TEXANS

GOSTKOWSKI CONNECTS ON TWO 50YARDERS; SECOND TIME IN HIS CAREER THAT HE HAS A GAME WITH TWO 50-YARDERS
Gostkowski connected on two 53 -yard field goals in the fourth quarter. It is the second time in his career that he has had a game with two 50 -yard field goals. He connected on a 51yarder and a 53 -yarder vs. Arizona on Sept. 16, 2012. He is the only Patriots player to have a game with at least two 50yard field goals.

## BRADY REACHES 3,000 PASSING YARDS FOR THE 11 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ TIME

Tom Brady $(3,267)$ reached 3,000 passing yards for the $11^{\text {th }}$ time in his career to become one of just six players with at least 113,000 -yard seasons. He entered the game with 2,896 yards and reached the milestone on the final drive of the first half.

## NFL RECORD FOR MOST 3,000-YARD SEASONS

18 Brett Favre
15 Peyton Manning
13 Dan Marino
12 John Elway
11 Tom Brady
11 Drew Brees
DEVELIN SCORES FIRST NFL TOUCHDOWN ON SECOND NFL RUSHING ATTEMPT
FB James Develin scored his first NFL touchdown on a 1yard run to culminate a 5 -play, 78 -yard drive to open the second half. It was his second NFL rushing attempt. He had his first NFL rushing attempt with a 3 -yard gain in the second quarter.

## EDELMAN HAS FOURTH CAREER 100-YARD GAME

Julian Edelman had nine catches for 101 receiving yards, marking his fourth career 100 -yard receiving game and his third such game this season. He had 118 yards receiving at Atlanta on Sept. 29, 2013 and 110 vs. Denver on Nov. 24, 2013.

## TWO PLAYERS OVER 100 YARDS IN SINGLE

 GAME FOR THIRD TIME IN 2013The Patriots had at least two players finish with 100 yards receiving for the third time in 2013 after Rob Gronkiowski finished with 127 and Julian Edelman finished with 110. Julian Edelman (118) and Kenbrell Thompkins (127) had 100 -yard days at Atlanta. Against Pittsburgh, the Patriots had three receivers finish with 100 yards with Rob Gronkowski (143), Aaron Dobson (13) and Danny Amendola (122).

## GOSTKOWSKI ENDS STREAK AT 21 CONSECUTIVE FIELD GOALS

Stephen Gostkowski ended his streak at 21 straight field goals after missing on a 55 -yard attempt in the second quarter. The streak is the longest single-season consecutive field goal streak of Gostkowski's career. The streak is the second longest such streak in a single season in team history. The longest single-season streak in team history belongs to Vinatieri, who booted 23 straight field goals in the 2004 season. Vinatieri has the longest streak of consecutive field goals overall for the Patriots with 25.

PATRIOTS OFFENSE DOES WELL AGAINST HOUSTON'S TOP RANKED DEFENSE
The Patriots offense generated 453 yards and 34 points against a Houston defense that ranked number one in the NFL heading into the game.

## ROOKIE WR JOSH BOYCE HAS A 41-YARD KICKOFF RETURN

Rookie WR Josh Boyce had a 41-yard kickoff return in the first quarter. It is the longest kickoff return for the Patriots in 2013. The previous long was a 30 -yard return by LeGarrette Blount vs. Miami on Oct. 27. The return helped set up the Patriots first touchdown.

## BRADY RECORDS 57 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ CAREER 300-YARD GAME

Brady threw for 371 yards for his 57th NFL game with 300 or more yards passing and his fourth of the 2013 season. The Patriots are 47-10 when Brady throws for 300 or more yards.

## GRONKOWSKI SCORES A TD IN HIS FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME

TE Rob Gronkowski scored on a 23 -yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the first quarter. Gronkowski has now scored at least one touchdown in four straight games. Gronkowski holds the team record for most consecutive games with a receiving touchdown with six in 2011

## GRONKOWSKI TIED WITH CAPPELLETTI WITH <br> 42 TD RECEPTIONS; FOURTH-MOST IN TEAM HISTORY

Gronkowski's 23 -yard touchdown in the first quarter was his $42^{\text {nd }}$ career touchdown reception. He is now tied with Gino Cappelletti (42) for the fourth-most touchdown receptions in team history.

## GRONKOWSKI HAS A 50-YARD GAIN IN THE THIRD QUARTER; HIS THIRD CAREER <br> RECEPTION OF 50 OR MORE YARDS

Gronkowski connected with Tom Brady for a 50 -yard gain on the first possession in the second half. It is his third career 50 -yard reception and is tied for the second longest reception of his career. He had a 50 -yarder at Washington on Dec. 11, 2011 and had a career-long 52-yard touchdown reception vs. Kansas City on Nov. 21, 2011.

## GRONKOWSKI ADDS TO HIS MARK WITH 12 <br> 100-YARD DAY

Gronkowski totaled 127 yards receiving on six receptions, registering his 12th career 100-yard game and his third of the season. Gronkowski had eight receptions for 114 yards at the New York Jets on Oct. 20, 2013 and nine receptions for 143 yards vs. Pittsburgh on Nov. 3, 2013. Gronkowski leads all Patriots tight ends with 12 100-yard games. Ben Coates is second with nine 100 -yard games.

## WILL SVITEK MAKES FIRST START FOR THE PATRIOTS

Will Svitek made his first as a member of the Patriots when he started at right tackle in place of Marcus Cannon, who was out with an injury.
PATRIOTS DID NOT COMMIT ANY PENALTIES
The Patriots did not commit any penalties against Houston, marking the fifth time in team history that the Patriots did not commit a foul in a game. It is the second time in the 2013 season that the Patriots did not commit a penalty in a game. The Patriots did not commit any penalties at Cincinnati on Oct. 6, 2013. It is the first time in team history that the Patriots have had two games in the same season without a penalty.

# 2013 Season - Game \#13 <br> New England Patriots 27, Cleveland Browns 26 

Sunday, Dec. 8, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. $\star$ 1:02 p.m. ET
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf * Weather: Cloudy $*$ Temp: $30^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ * Wind: NNW 5 mph * Time of Game: 3:41


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | F |  |
| Cleveland Browns (4-9) | 3 | 3 | 13 | 7 | 26 |  |
| New England Patriots (10-3) | 0 | 0 | 11 | 16 | 27 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Visitor: CLE Home: NE |
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS |  |
| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY | 7-15-47\%... 6-15-40\% |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY | ... 0-0-0\% ... 1-1-100\% |
| TOTAL NET YARDS | .......494........... 484 |
| Total Offensive Plays. | .70............ 77 |
| NET YARDS RUSHING | .108............ 87 |
| NET YARDS PASSING | 386........... 397 |
| PUNTS Number and Average | .6-43.2........5-40.0 |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards | .7/75.......... 6/41 |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost | .. 0/0............ 1/1 |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts. | ... 2/3........... 2/3 |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts | 2/3............ 2/2 |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY. | 1-2-50\%..... 3-4-75\% |
| TIME OF POSSESSION . | .31:40.........28:20 |


| SCORING PLAYS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
| Browns | 1 | 9:18 | B.Cundiff 43 yd. Field Goal (10-47, 5:42) | 3 | 0 |
| Browns | 2 | 14:45 | B.Cundiff 37 yd. Field Goal (9-37, 3:46) | 6 | 0 |
| Browns | 3 | 10:15 | G.Barnidge 40 yd. pass from J.Campbell (run failed) (5-73, 1:54) | 12 | 0 |
| Patriots | 3 | 1:37 | S.Gostkowski 33 yd. Field Goal (11-68, 3:46) | 12 | 3 |
| Browns | 3 | 1:25 | J.Gordon 80 yd. pass from J.Campbell (B.Cundiff kick) (1-80, 0:12) | 19 | 3 |
| Patriots | 3 | 0:06 | S.Vereen 6 yd. run (T.Brady-J.Edelman pass) (3-72, 1:19) | 19 | 11 |
| Patriots | 4 | 5:43 | S.Gostkowski 50 yd. Field Goal (12-49, 5:48) | 19 | 14 |
| Browns | 4 | 2:39 | J.Camerson 4 yd. pass from J.Campbell (B.Cundiff kick) (8-80, 3:04) | 26 | 14 |
| Patriots | 4 | 1:01 | J.Edelman 2 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (11-80, 1:38) | 26 | 21 |
| Patriots | 4 | 0:31 | D.Amendola 1 yd. pass from T.Brady (run failed) ( $2-40,0: 30$ ) | 26 | 27 |

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

| CLEVELAND BROWNS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING | ATT |  | YDS | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| J.Gordon | 1 |  | 34 | 34.0 |  | 34 | 0 |
| W.McGahee | 14 |  | 33 | 2.4 |  | 7 | 0 |
| J.Campbell | 2 |  | 27 | 13.5 |  | 21 | 0 |
| C.Ogbonnaya | 4 |  | 8 | 2.0 |  | 4 | 0 |
| F.Whittaker | 4 |  | 6 | 1.5 |  | 5 | 0 |
| Total | 25 |  | 108 | 4.3 |  | 34 | 0 |
| PASSING ATT | CMP | YDS | S SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| J.Campbell 44 | 29 | 391 | 1 1/5 | 3 | 80 | 0 | 116.8 |
| Total 44 | 29 | 391 | 1 1/5 | 3 | 80 | 0 | 116.8 |
| PASS RECEIVING | NO |  | YDS | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| J.Cameron | 9 |  | 121 | 13.4 |  | 21 | 1 |
| J.Gordon | 7 |  | 151 | 21.6 |  | 80 | 1 |
| C.Ogbonnaya | 3 |  | 25 | 8.3 |  | 13 | 0 |
| F.Whittaker | 3 |  | 18 | 6.0 |  | 8 | 0 |
| G.Barnidge | 2 |  | 49 | 24.5 |  | 40 | 1 |
| G.Little | 2 |  | 14 | 7.0 |  | 14 | 0 |
| D.Bess | 1 |  | 10 | 10.0 |  | 10 | 0 |
| M.Gray | 1 |  | 3 | 3.0 |  | 3 | 0 |
| W.McGahee | 1 |  | 0 | 0.0 |  | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 29 |  | 391 | 13.5 |  | 80 | 3 |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO |  | YDS | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| D.Jackson | 1 |  | 0 | 0.0 |  | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1 |  | 0 | 0.0 |  | 0 | 0 |
| PUNTING | NO | YDS | S AVG |  | TB | IN2O | LG |
| S.Lanning | 6 | 259 | 43.2. |  | 0 | 5 | 50 |
| Total | 6 | 259 | 933.2 |  | 0 | 5 | 50 |
| PUNT RETURNS | NO |  | YDS AVG |  | FC | LG | TD |
| J.Poyer | 1 |  | -1 -1.0 |  | 2 | -1 | 0 |
| D.Bess | 0 |  | $0 \quad 0.0$ |  | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| (DOWNED) | 1 |  | 00.0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1 |  | -1 -1.0 |  | 3 | 0 | 0 |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO |  | YDS AVG |  | FC | LG | TD |
| F.Whittaker | 3 |  | $62 \quad 20.7$ |  | 0 | 27 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 2 |  | $0 \quad 0.0$ |  | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 3 |  | $62 \quad 20.7$ |  | 0 | 27 | 0 |


| RUSHING | ATT | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| L.Blount | 8 | 42 | 5.3 | 13 | 0 |
| S.Ridley | 8 | 35 | 4.4 | 12 | 0 |
| S.Vereen | 3 | 9 | 3.0 | 6 | 1 |
| T.Brady | 2 | 1 | 0.5 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | 21 | 87 | 4.1 | 13 | 1 |
| PASSING ATT | CMP | YDS SK/YD | TD LG | IN | RT |
| T.Brady 52 | 32 | 418 4/21 | 250 | 1 | 91.7 |
| Total 52 | 32 | 418 4/21 | 250 | 1 | 81.7 |
| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| S.Vereen | 12 | 153 | 12.8 | 50 | 0 |
| J.Edelman | 6 | 64 | 10.7 | 23 | 1 |
| D.Amendola | 4 | 36 | 9.0 | 13 | 1 |
| J.Boyce | 3 | 49 | 16.3 | 22 | 0 |
| R.Gronkowski | 2 | 32 | 16.0 | 21 | 0 |
| L.Blount | 1 | 32 | 32.0 | 32 | 0 |
| J.Develin | 1 | 31 | 31.0 | 31 | 0 |
| M.Mulligan | 1 | 15 | 15.0 | 15 | 0 |
| A.Collie | 1 | 4 | 4.0 | 4 | 0 |
| S.Ridley | 1 | 2 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| Total | 32 | 418 | 13.1 | 50 | 2 |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| NONE |  |  |  |  |  |
| PUNTING | NO | YDS AVG | TB | IN2O | LG |
| R.Allen | 5 | 20040.0 | 0 | 3 | 53 |
| Total | 5 | 20040.0 | 0 | 3 | 53 |
| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| J.Edelman | 2 | $7 \quad 3.5$ | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| (DOWNED) | 1 | $0 \quad 0.0$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 2 | 73.5 | 3 | 8 | 0 |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| J.Boyce | 2 | 4623.0 | 0 | 28 | 0 |
| M.Slater | 1 | $0 \quad 0.0$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 3 | $0 \quad 0.0$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 3 | $46 \quad 15.3$ | 0 | 28 | 0 |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. BRDWNS

PATRIOTS 27, CLEVELAND 26
December 8, 2013 * Gillette Stadium

|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| Cleveland Browns | 3 | 3 | 13 | 7 | $\mathbf{- 2 6}$ |
| New England Patriots | 0 | 0 | 11 | 16 | $\mathbf{- 2 7}$ |

Tom Brady threw two touchdown passed in the final 61 seconds of the game to rally the Patriots to a 27-26 come-from-behind win over the Cleveland Browns, as the Patriots improved to a 10-3 record.

The Patriots trailed 6-0 at halftime. It was the fifth time in six games that they were behind at intermission. The Patriots deficit grew to 19-3 when WR Josh Gordon scored on an 80-yard catch and run with 1:25 left in the third quarter.

RB Shane Vereen's 6-yard touchdown run and a subsequent 2-point conversion cut the lead to 19-14 with six seconds left in the third quarter. New England fell behind 26-14 when QB Jason Campbell threw his third touchdown pass on a 4-yarder to TE Jordan Cameron with 2:39 left to play.

The Patriots responded on the next series when Brady followed a 23-yard pass to WR Julian Edelman with a 19yard pass to Edelman to get into Cleveland territory. A combination of short passes from Brady to RB Shane Vereen and Edelman helped get in position for a 2 -yard touchdown pass to Edelman to make it 26-21 with 1:01 left to play.

The Patriots then executed a successful onsides kick that was recovered by CB Kyle Arrington at the Cleveland 40-yard line. After a 10-yard pass from Brady to WR Danny Amendola, Cleveland CB Leon McFadden was called for pass interference on a pass into the end zone to give the Patriots a first down at the 1-yard line with 35 seconds to play. On the next play, Brady connected with Amendola on 1-yard pass to give the Patriots a 27-26 lead.

After a failed two-point play, Cleveland took the ensuing kick and moved to the 40-yard line where K Billy Cundiff missed on a 58-yard field goal try with one second to play.

Brady finished the game with 418 yards passing but completed just 7-of-19 pass attempts for 95 yards in the first half. He was 25 -of- 33 for 323 yards with two touchdowns in a big second half.

Vereen finished with 12 receptions for 153 receptions, setting single-game franchise records for most receptions and most receiving yards by a running back. Vereen's 153 receiving yards topped the 53-year old franchise running back record of 124 receiving yards, achieved by Dick Christy against the Oakland Raiders on Nov. 4, 1960.

The Patriots had only one of their first six first half drives reach Cleveland territory, but that drive stalled at the Cleveland 37-yard line. Cleveland took a 3-0 lead after taking the opening kickoff into New England territory, resulting in a 43-yard field goal. Later in the first quarter, Brady was intercepted by Cleveland at the 44-yard line, leading to a second Browns field goal early in the second quarter.

Campbell, who finished with 391 passing yards and three touchdowns, had a 40-yard touchdown pass to TE Gary Barnidge in the third quarter and his 80-yarder to Gordon to take a 19-3 lead.

The Patriots scored on their final five drives to secure the win.

## PATRIOTS WIN 10 FOR THE 11 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ STRAIGHT

 SEASONNew England has reached at least 10 regular-season wins for 11 consecutive seasons, joining San Francisco (16) as the only teams to accomplish the feat.

## BELICHICK ADDS TO NFL RECORD WITH HIS

## 11 STRAIGHT SEASON OF 10 WINS

Bill Belichick has coached the Patriots to 11 straight seasons with 10 or more wins, adding to his NFL record streak. In 2011, Belichick became the first coach in NFL history with nine straight seasons with at least 10 victories. The win over Cleveland extended his record to 11 straight seasons of 10 wins. George Seifert has the second most consecutive 10win seasons with eight from 1989-1996 for San Francisco.

## VEREEN SETS TEAM REORD FOR REC. AND REC.

## YARDS BY A RUNNING BACK

Shane Vereen had 12 receptions for 153 yards, setting single-game franchise records for most receptions and most receiving yards by a running back. Vereen's 153 receiving yards topped the 53-year-old franchise running back record of 124 receiving yards, achieved by Dick Christy against the Oakland Raiders on Nov. 4, 1960. Vereen's 12 receptions topped the previous Patriots running back record of 11 receptions, achieved three times, most recently by Kevin Faulk on Nov. 3, 2000 against Tampa Bay. Vereen's previous single-game receiving bests were 91 yards receiving at the New York Jets on Nov. 22, 2012, and 8 receptions, achieved twice, most recently against Denver on Nov. 24.
VEREEN IS THE FOURTH RUNNING BACK TO
POST 150 YARDS RECEIVING IN A SINGLE GAME IN THE LAST 10 SEASONS
Brain Westbrook - 156 in 2004
Jahvid Best - 154 in 2010
Shane Vereen - 153 in 2013
Matt Forte - 151 in 2010

## PATRIOTS RECOVER FIRST ONSIDES KICK

 SINCE JAN. 1, 1995The Patriots' Kyle Arrington recovered an onside kick with 1:01 left in the game, marking the first time the Patriots recovered an onside kick since Jan. 1, 1995. In that game, a wild-card playoff game at Cleveland, Corwin Brown recovered a Matt Bahr onside kick with 1:28 left in the game and New England trailing the Bill Belichick-led Browns 20-13. Unlike in the 2013 Browns game, however, in that game the Patriots did not convert their post-onside kick opportunity and lost the playoff game, 20-13.

## PATRIOTS RECOVER FIRST KICK IN A WIN FOR THE SECOND TIME IN TEAM HISTORY

Prior to the Browns game, the only other time the Patriots recovered an onside kick in a victory was on Sept. 27, 1964, when Jim Lee Hunt recovered a Gino Cappelletti onside kick near the end of the first half. Cappelletti missed an ensuing field goal attempt with the Patriots holding a 13-10 secondquarter lead in a game they eventually won 26-10.

BRADY IS THE FIRST TO BREAK 300 YARDS AGAINST THE BROWNS IN 2013
Tom Brady's 418 -yard performance is the first time a passer has broken the 300 -yard passing mark against Cleveland in 2013. The Browns entered the game with the $4^{\text {th }}$ ranked defense.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. BRDWNS

## BRADY STRONG IN THE SECOND HALF

Tom Brady has thrown for over 200 yards in the second half in the last three games now after throwing for 323 yards in the second half against Cleveland. It is the first time in his career that he has had three straight games with at least 200 yards in the second half. Brady put up 263 yards after halftime against both the Broncos and the Texans in the previous two games. Brady was 25 -of- 33 for 323 yards and two touchdowns in the second half against the Browns. In his last three games, Brady is 67 -for-89 (75\%) for 849 yards, 6 TDs and 0 interceptions for a 127.5 rating in the second half.

## PATRIOTS HAVE THREE BIG RECEPTIONS FROM RUNNING BACKS

- FB James Develin had a career-best 31-yard reception in the second quarter.
- RB LeGarrette Blount had his first reception as a member of the Patriots that resulted in a 32-yard gain in the third quarter to set up a field goal.
- RB Shane Vereen had a 50 -yard reception in the third quarter. The catch was the longest by a Patriots running back this season and was the second longest of Vereen's career, trailing only his 83 -yard touchdown catch at the New York Jets on Thanksgiving 2012.
- Heading into the's game, the previous longest reception by a Patriots running back in 2013 was a 19-yard reception by Vereen in the season-opener at Buffalo on Sept. 8.
PATRIOTS CONVERT FIRST TWO-POINT PLAY SINCE 2011; FIRST TWO-POINT PASS PLAY SINCE 2009
Tom Brady's 2-point conversion pass to WR Julian Edelman was the team's first successful 2-point play since converting two in the 2011 season when Danny Woodhead had a 2point rushing play on Jan. 1, 2012 vs. Buffalo and 2-point rush on Sept. 18, 2011 vs. San Diego. The Brady to Edelman play was the first successful 2-point pass play since WR Randy Moss caught a 2-point play on Nov. 8, 2009 vs. Miami.


## BRADY'S THIRD-STRAIGHT GAME WITH 300

 YARDS PASSINGTom Brady had his third straight game with 300 or more passing yards, after having thrown for 344 yards against Denver on Nov. 24 and having totaled 371 yards at Houston on Dec. 1. Brady's personal record for most 300-yard games is five straight in 2009. Brady has thrown for 300 or more yards four times in the last five games, also having totaled 432 yards against Pittsburgh on Nov. 3. In the last five games, the only time Brady did not have 300 or more yards was at Carolina on Nov. 18, when he had 296 yards.

## BRADY REACHES 20 TOUCHDOWNS

Tom Brady had a pair of touchdown passes against Cleveland to raise his 2013 total to 21 touchdowns. Brady has thrown 20 or more touchdown passes 11 times in his career.

## GOSTKOWSKI HAS 22 STRAIGHT FOURTH

 QUARTER FIELD GOALSStephen Gostkowski has made 22 consecutive fourth-quarter field goals, including a 50 -yarder in the fourth quarter against the Browns.

## GOSTKOWSKI REACHES 200 FIELD GOALS

Stephen Gostkowski's 50 -yard field goal in the fourth quarter was his 200th field goal for the Patriots, joining Adam Vinatieri (262) as the only players in Patriots history with 200 or more field goals.

GOSTKOWSKI REACHES 30 FIELD GOALS FOR THE SECOND TIME
Gostkowski added two field goals to increase his 2013 total to 30 field goals. It is the second time in his career that he has reached at least 30 field goals in a season. He set a franchise record with 36 field goals in 2008. He is the second Patriots player to reach 30 field goals in two seasons. Adam Vinatieri had 31 field goals in 1998 and 2004.

PATRIOTS SCORE TWO TOUCHDOWNS IN FINAL 1:01 TO WIN
The Patriots rallied for a 27-26 victory after the Browns took a 26-14 fourth-quarter lead following Jordan Cameron's 4yard touchdown reception with 2:39 remaining. Cleveland had previously held a 19-3 lead until Shane Vereen's 6-yard touchdown run and a subsequent 2-point conversion cut the lead to 19-14 with six seconds left in the third quarter. After the Browns extended the lead to $26-14$, the Patriots scored two touchdowns in a 30 -second span (sandwiched around an onside kick recovery) to take a 27-26 lead on Julian Edelman's 2-yard scoring grab with 1:01 remaining and Danny Amendola's 1 -yard scoring catch with 31 seconds left in the game.
TOM BRADY LEADS FIFTH COMEBACK OF 2013; TYING FOR MOST IN HIS CAREER
Tom Brady engineered his 41st career game-winning performance to lead the Patriots to a victory following a fourth-quarter deficit or tie. Brady has achieved the feat five times this season, and has turned the trick in three consecutive weeks. Brady's five such performances in 2013 tie the most in a regular season in his career, joining the 2003 season. Brady had four regular-season game-winning performances in 2007 and 2005.

## BRADY HAS FINAL MINUTE, GAME WINNING TOUCHDOWN PASS

Tom Brady threw a 1 -yard scoring pass to Danny Amendola with 31 seconds left in the game to give the Patriots a 27-26 lead. It is the sixth time in Brady's career that he has thrown a game-winning touchdown pass in the final minute of the game to turn a Patriots deficit into a Patriots win. Brady also achieved the feat earlier this year in New England's 30-27 win over New Orleans on Oct. 13, when he threw a touchdown pass to Kenbrell Thompkins with five seconds left. This season marks the first time in Brady's career that he has achieved the feat twice in one season.

## BRADY HAS FOURTH 300-YARD HALF

Brady had his fourth 300 -yard half and his third 300 -yard second half after throwing for 323 yards in the second half vs. Cleveland.

| YARDS | GAME | HALF |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 367 | vs. San Francisco $(12-16-12)$ | $2^{\text {nd }}$ half |
| 345 | vs. Tennesee $(10-18-09)$ | $1^{\text {st }}$ half |
| 323 | vs. Cleveland (12-08-13) | $2^{\text {nd }}$ half |
| 306 | at Miami $(9-12-11)$ | $2^{\text {nd }}$ half |

# 2013 Season - Game \#14 <br> Miami Dolphins 24, New England Patriots 20 

Sunday, Dec. 15, 2013 * Sun Life Stadium, Miami, Fla. * 1:02 p.m. ET
Att: 71,863 * Surface: Grass $*$ Weather: Partly Cloudy $*$ Temp: $84^{\circ} \mathrm{F} *$ Wind: SW $14 \mathrm{mph} *$ Time of Game: 2:57


| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | F |  |
| New England Patriots (10-4) | 3 | 7 | 0 | 10 | 20 |  |
| Miami Dolphins (8-6) | 0 | 7 | 3 | 14 | 24 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Visitor: NEHome: MIA |
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS | 29............ 20 |
| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY | 9-17-53\%... 4-11-36\% |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY | . 1-2-50\%..... 1-2-50\% |
| TOTAL NET YARDS | ...453........... 378 |
| Total Offensive Plays | .78............ 64 |
| NET YARDS RUSHING | .96............ 89 |
| NET YARDS PASSING | 357............ 289 |
| PUNTS Number and Average | .3-48.7........4-47.3 |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards | .... 1/2.......... 4/21 |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost | . 0/0............ 2/1 |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts | ... 2/2............ 3/3 |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts | 2/3........... 1/1 |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY | 1-4-25\%..... 2-3-67\% |
| TIME OF POSSESSION | $31: 21 \quad 28: 39$ |



INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

| NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING | ATT |  | YDS | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| L.Blount | 11 |  | 47 | 4.3 |  | 11 | 0 |
| S.Ridley | 8 |  | 34 | 4.3 |  | 11 | 0 |
| S.Vereen | 2 |  | 13 | 6.5 |  | 7 | 0 |
| J.Develin | 1 |  | 2 | 2.0 |  | 2 | 0 |
| Total | 22 |  | 96 | 4.4 |  | 11 | 0 |
| PASSING ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| T. Brady 55 | 34 | 364 | 1/7 | 2 | 30 | 1 | 85.7 |
| Total 55 | 34 | 364 | 1/7 | 2 | 30 | 1 | 85.7 |
| PASS RECEIVING | NO |  | YDS | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| J.Edelman | 13 |  | 139 | 10.7 |  | 24 | 1 |
| D.Amendola | 10 |  | 131 | 13.1 |  | 30 | 1 |
| J.Boyce | 4 |  | 42 | 10.5 |  | 30 | 0 |
| S.Vereen | 3 |  | 8 | 2.7 |  | 6 | 0 |
| A.Collie | 2 |  | 25 | 12.5 |  | 19 | 0 |
| M.Hoomanawanui | 1 |  | 13 | 13.0 |  | 13 | 1 |
| L. Blount | 1 |  | 6 | 6.0 |  | 6 | 0 |
| Total | 34 |  | -364 | 10.7 |  | 30 | 2 |

INTERCEPTIONS NO YDS AVG LG TD
NONE

| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| R.Allen | 3 | 146 | 48.7 | 0 | 1 | 57 |
| Total | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{1 4 6}$ | $\mathbf{4 8 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{5 7}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG |
| J.Edelman | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | TD |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) |  | 3 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Boyce | 1 | 19 | 19.0 | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 4 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| TOTAL | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ | $\mathbf{1 9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


| MIAMI DOLPHINS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING | ATT |  | YDS |  | AVG |  |  | LG | TD |
| L.Miller | 15 |  | 61 |  | 4.1 |  |  | 7 | 0 |
| D.Thomas | 5 |  | 16 |  | 3.2 |  |  | 4 | 0 |
| M.Wallace | 1 |  | 13 |  | 13.0 |  |  | 13 | 0 |
| B.Fields | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |
| R.Tannehill | 1 |  | -1 |  | -1.0 |  |  | -1 | 0 |
| Total | 23 |  | 89 |  | 3.9 |  |  | 13 | 0 |
| PASSING ATT | CMP | YDS |  | SK/YD | TD |  | LG | IN | RT |
| R.Tannehill 37 | 25 | 312 |  | 4/23 | 3 |  | 39 | 0 | 120.6 |
| Total 37 | 25 | 312 |  | 4/23 | 3 |  | 39 | 0 | 120.6 |
| PASS RECEIVING | NO |  | YDS |  | AVG |  |  | LG | TD |
| M.Wallace | 6 |  | 105 |  | 17.5 |  |  | 39 | 1 |
| B. Hartline | 5 |  | 70 | 0 | 14.0 |  |  | 19 | 0 |
| R.Matthews | 5 |  | 64 | 4 | 12.8 |  |  | 24 | 0 |
| M.Egnew | 2 |  | 25 | 5 | 12.5 |  |  | 14 | 0 |
| M.Thigpen | 2 |  | 23 | 3 | 11.5 |  |  | 14 | 1 |
| Ma.Moore | 1 |  | 11 | 1 | 11.0 |  |  | 11 | 0 |
| C.Clay | 1 |  | 6 | 6 | 6.0 |  |  | 6 | 0 |
| D. Sims | 1 |  | 6 | 6 | 6.0 |  |  | 6 | 0 |
| D.Thomas | 1 |  | 2 | 2 | 2.0 |  |  | 2 | 1 |
| Total | 25 |  | 312 |  | 12.5 |  |  | 39 | 3 |
| INTERCEPTIONS | NO |  | YDS |  | AVG |  |  | LG | TD |
| M.Thomas | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |  |  | 0 | 0 |
| PUNTING | NO | YDS |  | AVG |  | TB |  | IN20 | LG |
| B.Fields | 4 | 189 |  | 47.3 |  | 0 |  | 2 | 52 |
| Total | 4 | 189 |  | 47.3 |  | 0 |  | 2 | 52 |
| PUNT RETURNS | NO |  | YDS | AVG |  | FC |  | LG | TD |
| M.Thigpen | 2 |  | 9 | 4.5 |  | 0 |  | 9 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) | 1 |  | 0 | 0.0 |  | 0 |  | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 2 |  | 9 | 4.5 |  | 0 |  | 9 | 0 |


| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| M.Thigpen | 2 | 25 | 12.5 | 0 | 13 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2 5}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT DDLPHINS

| MIAMI 24, PATRIOTS 20 |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| December 15, 2013 * Sun Life Stadium |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Final |
| New England Patriots | 3 | 7 | 0 | 10 | - 20 |
| Miami Dolphins | 0 | 7 | 3 | 14 | - 24 |

QB Tom Brady and the New England Patriots latest comeback effort fell short, as the Miami Dolphins stopped the Patriots from clinching the AFC East with a 24-20 victory.
The Patriots rallied from fourth quarter deficits to win their last three games, but Brady's fourth-down pass from the Miami 14 -yard line was intercepted by S Michael Thomas with two seconds left to give Miami the win.
The Dolphins scored on a 2-yard touchdown pass from QB Ryan Tannehill to RB Daniel Thomas on the first play of the fourth quarter to break a 10-10 tie with a 17-10 advantage. The Patriots scored on their next two offensive series with a 15-play, 81 -yard drive that ended at the Miami 5 -yard line with a 23 -yard field goal by K Stephen Gostkowski and then capped a 6 -play, 73 -yard drive when Brady connected with WR Julian Edelman on a 24 -yard touchdown to give the Patriots a 20-17 lead with four minutes left to play.

Miami caught a break when the ensuing kickoff went out of bounds, allowing them to start a drive at their own 40yard line. The Dolphins faced a fourth-and-5 situation from their own 45 -yard line with 2:41 left but TE Charles Clay kept the drive alive when he converted with a 6 -yard reception. Tannehill then completed a 24 -yard pass to WR Rishard Matthews and then a 14-yard touchdown pass to RB Marcus Thigpen to give Miami a 24-20 lead with 1:15 left to play.

The Patriots responded by moving to the Miami 14-yard line but Brady threw three straight passes that fell incomplete into the end zone before his final pass was intercepted in the end zone to give Miami the win.

Brady finished the game 34 -of- 55 for 364 yards with two touchdown and one interception, while Edelman had 13 receptions for 139 yards and WR Danny Amendola had 10 receptions for 131 yards.
Tannehill finished 25 -of- 37 for 312 yards with three touchdown passes, including two in the fourth quarter.
The Patriots scored on their first offensive possession for the first time since Oct. 20 at the New York Jets when Gostkowski finished a 16 -play, 83 -yard drive with a 22 -yard field goal. New England expanded their lead to $10-0$ in the second quarter when a 30 -yard pass from Brady to Amendola helped the Patriots get into Miami territory before Brady culminated the drive with a 13 -yard touchdown pass to TE Michael Hoomanawanui with 1:38 left in the first half.
A 24-yard pass from Tannehill to Matthews on the next series helped get into position for his 39 -yard touchdown pass to WR Mike Wallace to make it 10-7 with just 32 seconds left in the half to make it $10-7$ at the break.
The Patriots got a break midway through the second quarter when a miscommunication between the longsnapper and the holder resulted in a fumble when the ball bounced off the holder's facemask during a Dolphins field goal attempt.
Miami tied the game on their first possession of the third quarter when Tannehill completed passes of 13, 19 and 14 yards to help set up a field goal.
New England was 1 -for-4 in the red zone against the Dolphins.

BRADY PASSES JOHN ELWAY FOR FIFTH PLACE IN NFL HISTORY FOR PASS COMPLETIONS Tom Brady $(4,150)$ moved past John Elway $(4,123)$ for fifth place on the NFL's all-time completion list. He entered the Miami game needing eight pass completions to pass Elway and passed him on a short pass to RB Shane Vereen in the first quarter.

BRADY PASSES FOR 4,000 YARDS FOR THE SIXTH TIME
Brady passed for 364 yards to push his 2013 total to 4,049 passing yards for the season and push him to 4,000 yards in a season for the sixth time in his career. He joins Dan Marino (6), Brett Favre (6), Drew Brees (8) and Peyton Manning (13) as the only players to have at least six seasons with 4,000 passing yards.

BRADY RECORDS 59 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ CAREER 300-YARD GAME
Brady threw for 364 yards for his 59th NFL game with 300 or more yards passing and his sixth of the 2013 season. It was Brady's fourth straight 300-yard game and his fifth in the last six weeks. His 300 -yard game total ranks third among active NFL quarterbacks, behind NFL-leader Peyton Manning (83) and Drew Brees (76). The Patriots are 48-11 when Brady throws for 300 or more yards.

## PATRIOTS SCORE ON FIRST DRIVE OF THE <br> GAME FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE OCT. 20

The Patriots opened the game with a 16 -play, 83 -yard drive that drive that resulted in a 22 -yard field goal. It is the first time the Patriots scored on their first possession since Oct. 20 at the New York Jets when RB Brandon Bolden finished a 10 -play 80 -yard drive with a 1 -yard touchdown.
KYLE ARRINGTON REGISTERS FIRST NFL SACK CB Kyle Arrington registered his first NFL sack on a 4 -yard drop of Miami QB Ryan Tannehill in the second quarter.
SEALVER SILIGA REGISTERS FIRST NFL SACK
DT Sealver Siliga registered his first NFL sack when he dropped Miami QB Ryan Tannehill for a 6 -yard loss in the fourth quarter.

MICHAEL HOOMANAWANUI SCORES FIRST TOUCHDOWN AS A PATRIOT
TE Michael Hoomanawanui caught his first touchdown pass as a member of the Patriots when he scored on a 13 -yard touchdown pass from Tom Brady in the second quarter. It is his fourth touchdown of his NFL career and the first since he caught three touchdown passes as a rookie with St. Louis in 2010.

## BRADY HAS FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME WITH 300 YARDS PASSING

Tom Brady had his fourth straight game with 300 or more passing yards, after having thrown for 344 yards against Denver on Nov. 24, 371 yards at Houston on Dec. 1 and 418 yards vs. Cleveland on Dec. 8. Brady's personal record for most 300 -yard games is five straight in 2009. Brady has thrown for 300 or more yards five times in the last six, also having totaled 432 yards against Pittsburgh on Nov. 3.

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT DDLPHINS

## GOSTKOWSKI HAS 23 STRAIGHT FOURTH

 QUARTER FIELD GOALSStephen Gostkowski has made 23 consecutive fourth-quarter field goals, including a 24 -yarder in the fourth quarter against Miami.

## EDELMAN HAS FIFTH CAREER 100-YARD GAME

 Julian Edelman had 13 catches for 139 receiving yards, marking his fifth career 100-yard receiving game and his fourth such game this season. He had 118 yards receiving at Atlanta on Sept. 29, 2013, 110 vs. Denver on Nov. 24, 2013 and 101 at Houston on Dec. 2, 2013
## EDELMAN HAS SECOND 10-PLUS CATCH GAME OF SEASON; THIRD OF HIS CAREER

WR Julian Edelman tied a career-high with his 13 receptions. He also had 13 receptions vs. the New York Jets on Sept. 12,2013 . It is his third 10 -catch game of his career. He also had 10 receptions at Houston on Jan. 3, 2010 during his rookie season.

## EDELMAN SETS CAREER-HIGH WITH 139 RECEIVING YARDS

Edelman set a career-high with his 139 receiving yards. His previous best was 118 yards at Atlanta on Sept. 29, 2013.

## TWO PLAYERS OVER 100 YARDS FOR FOURTH <br> TIME IN 2013

The Patriots had at least two players finish with 100 yards receiving for the fourth time in 2013 after Danny Amendola finished with 131 and Edelman had 139.
$\mathbf{2 0 1 3}$ games with two receivers reaching 100 yards

- Julian Edelman 139) and Danny Amendola (131) at Miami (12/15/13)
- Julian Edelman (118) and Kenbrell Thompkins(127) at Atlanta (9/29/13)
- Rob Gronkowski (143), Aaron Dobson (130) and Danny Amendola (122) vs. Pittsburgh (11/3/13)
- Julian Edelman (101) and Rob Gronkowski (127) at Houston (12/01/13)
CHANDLER JONES ADDS HIS $11^{\text {TH }}$ SACK OF THE SEASON
DE Chandler Jones dropped Miami QB Ryan Tannehill for an 8yard sack in the second quarter to increase his 2013 sack total to 11.5 . It is the most sacks by a Patriots player since Mike Vrabel had 12.5 sacks in 2007.

DANNY AMENDOLA HAS SECOND 10-CATCH GAME OF 2013
WR Danny Amendola had 10 receptions for 131 yards. It is his fifth career 10 -catch game and the second of 2013. He also had 10 receptions at Buffalo on Sept. 8, 2013.

## AMENDOLA HAS THIRD 100-YARD GAME OF

 2013Amendola finished with 131 receiving yards, his third 100yard game of 2013. He had 122 yards vs. Pittsburgh and 104 yards at Buffalo. It is his fifth 100-yard game of his NFL career.

## DOUBLE TROUBLE

Julian Edelman and Danny Amendola were racking up yards against the Dolphins. Edelman caught 13 passes for 139 yards and Amendola hauled in 10 receptions for 131 yards, marking the first time in Patriots history that two receivers had 10 plus receptions and 125 plus yards in the same game.

| Date | Player | Opp. | Rec. | Yds. | TD |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $12 / 15 / 2013$ | Julian Edelman | MIA | 13 | 139 | 1 |
| $12 / 15 / 2013$ | Danny Amendola | MIA | 10 | 131 | 0 |

## TWO PLAYERS WITH 10 RECEPTIONS

Julian Edelman had 13 receptions and Danny Amendola had 10 receptions. It is the fourth time in team history that the Patriots had a game with two players that reached 10 receptions.

## Games with at least two players with $\mathbf{1 0}$ receptions

Dec. 15, 2013 at Miami
Julian Edelman (13) and Danny Amendola (10)
Dec. 16, 2012 vs. San Francisco
Brandon Lloyd (10) and Aaron Hernandez (10)
Sept. 14, 2009 vs. Buffalo
Randy Moss (12) and Wes Welker (12)
Nov. 14, 1994 vs. Minnesota
Ben Coates (10), Leroy Thompson (11) and Michael
Thompson (10)

## EDELMAN BIG IN THE FOURTH QUARTER

Julian Edelman came up big in the fourth quarter on Sunday with 8 receptions for 93 yards and a touchdown, passing Bears TE Martellus Bennett, Browns WR Josh Gordon, and fellow Patriot RB Shane Vereen for the most fourth quarter receptions in an NFL game this season. Seven of Edelman's eight receptions went for a first down, tying him with Josh Gordon for the most fourth quarter first downs by a receiver in a game in 2013.

BRADY HAS FOURTH STRAIGHT GAME WITH $200+$ YARDS IN THE SECOND HALF
Tom Brady has now thrown for over 200 yards in the second half in four consecutive games after passing for 234 second half yards against the Dolphins. It is the first time in Brady's career that he has thrown for 200 yards or more in the second half in four straight games. Entering this season, Brady had never thrown for 200 or more second half yards in consecutive games. Brady has averaged 270.6 second half passing yards per game in his last four games, completing 69.0 percent ( 87 -for-126) of his passes for 1,083 yards, 7 touchdowns, and 1 interception. Brady has yet to throw for under 200 second half yards in the month of December.

Tom Brady in the Second Half since Nov. 24

| Date | Opp | Att | Cmp | Yds | Pct. | TD | Int | Rating |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $11 / 24$ | Den | 33 | 24 | 263 | 72.7 | 3 | 0 | 126.2 |
| $12 / 01$ | @Hou | 23 | 18 | 263 | 78.3 | 1 | 0 | 128.8 |
| $12 / 08$ | Cle | 33 | 25 | 323 | 75.8 | 2 | 0 | 126.2 |
| $12 / 15$ | @Mia | 37 | 20 | 234 | 54.1 | 1 | 1 | 71.2 |
| Totals | $\mathbf{1 2 6 8 7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0 8 3}$ | $\mathbf{6 9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 0 . 6}$ |  |  |

# 2013 Season - Game \#15 <br> New England Patriots 41, Baltimore Ravens 7 

Sunday, Dec. 22, 2013 * M\&T Bank Stadium, Baltimore, Md. * 4:25 p.m. ET



| SCORING SUMMARY |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | F |  |
| New England Patriots (11-4) | 14 | 3 | 3 | 21 | 41 |  |
| Baltimore Ravens (8-7) | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 7 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Visitor: NEHome: BAL |
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS | .21............. 19 |
| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY | 4-13-31\%... 5-14-36\% |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY | .. 0-0-0\%.......0-3-0\% |
| TOTAL NET YARDS | 300............ 358 |
| Total Offensive Plays.. | ......62............ 74 |
| NET YARDS RUSHING | ..142........... 121 |
| NET YARDS PASSING | 158........... 237 |
| PUNTS Number and Average | .7-44.7........4-53.0 |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards. | ..7/58.......... 9/83 |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost ... | .... 0/0............ 1/1 |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts | ..... 5/5............ 1/1 |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts | 2/2............0/1 |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY ... | . 3-3-100\%..... 1-3-33\% |
| TIME OF POSSESSION | 31:58 28:02 |


| SCORING PLAYS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
| Patriots | 1 | 9:39 | L.Blount 1 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (6-64, 2:47) | 7 | 0 |
| Patriots | 1 | 4:51 | S.Vereen 4 yd. pass from T.Brady (S.Gostkowski kick) (6-53, 3:26) | 14 | 0 |
| Patriots | 2 | 14:55 | S.Gostkowski 45 yd. Field Goal (6-37, 2:23) | 17 | 0 |
| Patriots | 3 | 7:15 | S.Gostkowski 42 yd. Field Goal (7-19, 3:10) | 20 | 0 |
| Ravens | 4 | 9:21 | J.Flacco 1 yd. run (J.Tucker kick) (9-90, 2:48) | 20 | 7 |
| Patriots | 4 | 2:05 | L.Blount 7 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (9-48, 4:32) | 27 | 7 |
| Patriots | 4 | 1:59 | Cha. Jones fumble recovery in the end zone (S. Gostkowski kick) | 34 | 7 |
| Patriots | 4 | 0:40 | T.Wilson 74 yd. interception return (S.Gostkowski kick) | 41 | 7 |

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

| NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING |  | ATT | YDS |  | AVG |  | LG | TD |
| L.Blount |  | 16 | 76 |  | 4.8 |  | 14 | 2 |
| S.Ridley |  | 15 | 54 |  | 3.6 |  | 8 | 0 |
| S.Vereen |  | 2 | 6 |  | 3.0 |  | 4 | 0 |
| B.Bolden |  | 1 | 6 |  | 6.0 |  | 6 | 0 |
| Total |  | 34 | 142 |  | 4.2 |  | 14 | 2 |
| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| T. Brady | 26 | 14 | 172 | 2/14 | 1 | 34 | 0 | 87.3 |
| Total | 26 | 14 | 172 | 2/4 | 1 | 34 | 0 | 87.3 |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Edelman | 7 | 77 | 11.0 | 19 | 0 |
| D.Amendola | 2 | 45 | 22.5 | 34 | 0 |
| B.Bolden | 2 | 16 | 8.0 | 12 | 0 |
| A.Dobson | 1 | 21 | 21.0 | 21 | 0 |
| M.Hoomanawanui | 1 | 9 | 9.0 | 9 | 0 |
| S.Vereen | 1 | 4 | 4.0 | 4 | 1 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1 4}$ | $\mathbf{1 7 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 4}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| INTERCEPTIONS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| L.Ryan |  | 2 |  | 1 | 0.5 | 1 |
| T.Wilson |  | 1 |  | 74 | 74.0 | 74 |
| Total |  | $\mathbf{3}$ |  | $\mathbf{7 5}$ | $\mathbf{2 5 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 4}$ |
| PUNTING | NO | YDS | AVG | TB | IN20 | 1 |
| R.Allen | 7 | 334 | 47.7 | 1 | 4 | 60 |
| Total | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{3 3 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 7 . 7}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{6 0}$ |


| PUNT RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Edelman | 1 | 11 | 11.0 | 1 | 11 | 0 |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| S.Vereen | 1 | 22 | 22.0 | 0 | 22 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 22 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 2 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |


|  | BALTIMORE RAVENS |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| RUSHING | ATT | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |  |  |  |  |
| R.Rice | 11 | 40 | 3.6 | 8 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| T.Taylor | 3 | 39 | 13.0 | 25 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| B.Pierce | 10 | 31 | 3.1 | 6 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| B.Scott | 2 | 11 | 5.5 | 9 | 0 |  |  |  |  |
| J.Flacco | 2 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 8}$ | $\mathbf{1 2 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 . 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 5}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |  |  |  |


| PASSING | ATT | CMP | YDS | SK/YD | TD | LG | IN | RT |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| J.Flacco | 38 | 22 | 260 | $4 / 25$ | 0 | 42 | 2 | 56.9 |
| T.Taylor | 4 | 1 | 2 | $0 / 0$ | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0.0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 / 2 5}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4 3 . 9}$ |


| PASS RECEIVING | NO | YDS | AVG | LG | TD |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| M.Brown | 4 | 51 | 12.8 | 21 | 0 |
| E.Dickson | 4 | 44 | 11.0 | 17 | 0 |
| D.Pitta | 4 | 34 | 8.5 | 15 | 0 |
| T.Smith | 3 | 69 | 23.0 | 42 | 0 |
| B.Pierce | 3 | 27 | 9.0 | 15 | 0 |
| R.Rice | 2 | 23 | 11.5 | 13 | 0 |
| J.Jones | 1 | 11 | 11.0 | 11 | 0 |
| B.Scott | 1 | 2 | 2.0 | 2 | 0 |
| V.Leach | 1 | 1 | 1.0 | 1 | 0 |
| Total | $\mathbf{2 3}$ | $\mathbf{2 6 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 1 . 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |
| INTERCEPTIONS |  |  |  |  |  |
| NONE |  |  | YDS | AVG | LG |
| NO |  |  |  |  |  |


| PUNTING | NO | YDS |  | AVG | TB | IN20 | LG |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| S.Koch | 4 |  | 212 | 53.0 | 1 | 1 | 64 |
| Total | $\mathbf{4}$ |  | $\mathbf{2 1 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 3 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{6 4}$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PUNT RETURNS |  | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |
| J.Jones | 4 | 36 | 9.0 | 0 | 22 | 0 |  |
| L.Webb | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |  |
| (OUT OF BOUNDS) |  | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 1 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{3 6}$ | $\mathbf{9 . 0}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |  |
| KICKOFF RETURNS | NO | YDS | AVG | FC | LG | TD |  |
| J.Jones | 2 | 61 | 30.5 | 0 | 33 | 0 |  |
| (TOUCHBACK) | 6 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |
| Total | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{6 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 0 . 5}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ | $\mathbf{3 3}$ | $\mathbf{0}$ |  |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT RAVENS

PATRIOTS 41, BALTIMORE 7
December 22, 2013 * M\&T Bank Stadium

|  | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | Final |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| New England Patriots | 14 | 3 | 3 | 21 | $\mathbf{- 4 1}$ |
| Baltimore Ravens | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | $\mathbf{7}$ |

The New England Patriots put on a performance worthy of a division champion as they breezed to a 41-7 victory over the defending Super Bowl Champion Baltimore Ravens. The Patriots (11-4) were assured of their fifth straight AFC East title before the game started when Miami lost at Buffalo. New England has now qualified for the playoffs 21 times in its history and 15 times under owner Robert Kraft. It is the $11^{\text {th }}$ division crown for Bill Belichick, tied with Don Shula for the most division titles since the 1970 merger.
Tom Brady has now led the Patriots to 11 division titles, more than any other starting quarterback in NFL history.
Rookie CB Logan Ryan had two interceptions, RB LeGarrette Blount had two rushing touchdowns and the Patriots snapped a four-game winning streak by Baltimore. The Patriots scored 21 points in the fourth quarter, including two defensive touchdowns to finish the route.

After Blount scored his second on a 7-yard run with 2:05 to play to make it 27-7, DE Chandler Jones recovered an errant snap that eluded backup QB Tyrod Taylor that rolled into the end zone where he recovered the ball. S Tavon Wilson capped the scoring on the ensuing drive when he intercepted Taylor and returned the pick 74 yards for a score to make it 41-7.
The Patriots scored 41 points against a Baltimore defense that entered the game allowing just 14.3 points per game at home.
The Patriots took a 17-0 lead in the second quarter and extended the lead to $20-0$ in the third quarter behind a defense that forced four turnovers and registered four sacks.

New England took a 7-0 lead on its second offensive possession when Blount finished a 6 -play, 64 -yard drive with a 1 -yard touchdown run. The Patriots quickly got the ball back three plays later when QB Joe Flacco was intercepted by Ryan to give New England a first down at the Baltimore 47 -yard line. A 34 -yard pass from Brady to WR Danny Amendola helped get into position for Brady's 4 -yard touchdown pass to RB Shane Vereen for a 14-0 first quarter lead.
The Patriots extended their lead to 17-0 on the first play of the third quarter when K Stephen Gostkowski drilled a 45yard field goal. Midway through the third quarter Ryan intercepted Flacco for the second time and allowed the Patriots to start a drive at the Baltimore 43 -yard line. That turnover helped lead to a 42-yard field goal by Gostkowski for a 20-0 New England lead.

Baltimore, who finished 0 -for-3 on fourth down, reached the New England 4-yard line late in the third quarter but DE Rob Ninkovich and S Duron Harmon stopped RB Ray Rice for no gain to end the scoring threat. New England caught a break in the beginning of the fourth quarter when Baltimore reached the New England 19-yard line. Ravens K Justin Tucker missed on a 37 -yard field goal to end a streak of 33 straight field goals made.

Flacco engineered a 9-play, 90 -yard drive on the next series that ended with a 1 -yard touchdown run by Flacco. But any chance of a comeback ended on the next offensive series when Flacco failed to connect on a pass to TE Dennis Pitta on fourth-and-10 from the Baltimore 48 -yard line with just under seven minutes to play. New England responded by marching 48 yards on nine plays before Blount's 7 -yard run made it 27-7 with 2:10 to play.

PATRIOTS CLINCH PLAYOFF SPOT FOR 15 TIME IN KRAFT'S 20 YEARS OF OWNERSHIP New England has now qualified for the playoffs 21 times in its 54 -year history. The Patriots have earned 15 playoff berths in the 20 seasons since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994, a dramatic contrast to the six total playoff berths that the team earned in its first 34 years of existence. New England has won 13 AFC East crowns under Kraft's leadership. New England has won 16 division crowns overall (15 AFC East Crowns) and has qualified as a Wild Card team on four occasions (1998, 1994, 1985 and 1976). The Patriots also qualified for the playoffs in 1982 as part of a 16-team tournament following a players' strike.

## 2013 AFC EAST CHAMPIONS

The Patriots claimed the AFC East Division title for the fifth consecutive season and for the $13^{\text {th }}$ time under Robert Kraft.
DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIPS SINCE 1994
New England Patriots .13
Pittsburgh Steelers.......................... 10
Green Bay Packers .. 9
Indianapolis Colts........................... 9

## PLAYOFF SEASONS SINCE 1994

## New England Patriots. 15

Indianapolis Colts.......................... 15
Green Bay Packers ........................ 14
Pittsburgh Steelers........................ 12
Philadelphia Eagles ....................... 11
Minnesota Vikings ......................... 10

## BELICHICK LEADS PATRIOTS TO 11 WINS

The victory over Baltimore is the Patriots' 11th win of the season. Bill Belichick now has eleven 11 wins seasons, including 10 with the Patriots. He moves out of a tie with Tom Landry for sole possession of second place, behind Don Shula, who had 13 11-win seasons.
NFL HEAD COACHES WITH THE MOST 11-WIN SEASONS
Don Shula 13
Bill Belichick 11
Tom Landry 10
BELICHICK WINS 11 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ DIVISION TITLE; TIED WITH DON SHULA FOR THE MOST BY A HEAD COACH SINCE THE NFL MERGER
Belichick guided the Patriots to the AFC East Title. It is the $11^{\text {th }}$ division title of his career, tying him with Don Shula for the most division titles since the 1970 NFL merger.

## TITLE TOWN

The Patriots have now won the AFC East for five straight seasons, matching the five straight the team won from 2003-07 for the longest streak in AFC East division history. The Patriots have won 11 of the last 13 division crowns. The Patriots have won 13 division titles in the 20 seasons since Robert Kraft bought the team in 1994.
MOST CONSECUTIVE AFC EAST TITLES

| Team Streak | Years |
| :---: | :---: |
| New England Patriots............ 5. | 2009-13 |
| New England Patriots............ 5. | 2003-07 |
| Buffalo Bills.............................. 4 | 1988-91 |
| Miami Dolphins ......................... 4 | 1983-85* |
| Miami Dolphins | 1971-74 |
| Baltimore Colts.......................... 3 | 1975-77 |
| Buffalo Bills.............................. 3 | 964-66@ |
| *-Due to 1982 strike, the NFL played just a 9 were not divided into divisions that season. Qaft |  |

## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS AT RAVENS

## BRADY EARNS HIS 11 ${ }^{\text {TH }}$ DIVISION CHAMPIONSHIP

Tom Brady added on to his NFL record with his $11^{\text {th }}$ division championship. Peyton Manning has the second most with 10 division titles.
Starting Quarterbacks with the Most Division Titles in NFL History

| Quarterback | Career Division Titles |
| :--- | :--- |
| Tom Brady | 11 |

Peyton Manning 10
Joe Montana 9
Brett Favre 8
Terry Bradshaw 7
John Elway 7

## PATRIOTS WIN AT LEAST 11 GAMES FOR THE

$15{ }^{\text {TH }}$ TIME IN TEAM HISTORY
The Patriots have won 11 games so far in 2013. It is the $15^{\text {th }}$ time in team history that the team has won at least 11 games in a season and the fourth straight season with at least 11 wins.
BRADY TIES DAN MARINO FOR FOURTH PLACE WITH 147 CAREER WINS
Tom Brady led the Patriots to his $147^{\text {th }}$ career regular season win to move into a tie with Hall of Famer Dan Marino for fourth on the all-time win list among starting quarterbacks.

## BOUNCING BACK AFTER A LOSS

Since the beginning of 2003, the Patriots are now 34-4 (.895) in regular season games following a loss. The Patriots have dropped back-to-back regular season games just four times since 2003.

## PATRIOTS ARE GOOD IN DECEMBER

Since 2008, the Patriots are 27-3 and have won 18 of their last 20 games. Bill Belichick is 50-9 (.847) in December with New England, the best record in December among head coaches with one team in NFL history (min. 25 games). George Seifert is second (27-6, .818). Tom Brady is 3-1 in the month of December in 2013 for a 44-7 record and has the best winning percentage at 86.3 in December for any quarterback since the 1970 NFL merger.

## GOSTKOWSKI CLOSE TO BREAKING HIS OWN <br> TEAM RECORD FOR MOST FIELD GOALS IN A SEASON

Gostkowski has made 34 field goals in 2013 after a 45 -yard field goal in the second quarter and a 42 -yarder in the third quarter. In 2008 he set the franchise record for most field goals in a season with 36 . His 34 field goals in 2013 are the second most in a single season. Gostkowski needs three field goals in the final game to surpass that mark.

GOSTKOWSKI BECOMES THIRD PATRIOTS
PLAYER TO REACH 1,000 POINTS
Gostkowski became the third Patriots player to reach 1,000 points after two extra points in the first quarter put him at 1,000 points. He now has 1,009 , joining Adam Vinatieri $(1,158)$ and Gino Cappelletti $(1,130)$.

## JOSH KLINE MAKES FIRST NFL START

Josh Kline made his first NFL start when he lined up at left guard with Logan Mankins moving from his left guard spot to left tackle in place of Nate Solder, who was out due to injury. Kline becomes the ninth of the Patriots 13 rookies to make at least one start.

LOGAN MANKINS MAKES SECOND NFL START AT LEFT TACKLE
Logan Mankins moved from left guard to left tackle due to the injury to Nate Solder. It marks his second NFL start at left tackle. Mankins started at left tackle in place of Matt Light vs. Miami on Dec. 24, 2011.

ROOKIE LOGAN RYAN GETS FIRST TWOINTERCEPTION GAME OF HIS CAREER; LEADER AMONG NFL ROOKIES
Rookie CB Logan Ryan had two interceptions with a pick in the first quarter and one in the third quarter. He now leads the Patriots with five interceptions on the season, one ahead of CB Aqib Talib, who has four. His five interceptions are the most among all rookies in 2013. Kiko Alonso (Buffalo) and Eric Reid (San Francisco) are second with four. He is the second Patriots player to have a two-interception game. Talib had two in the 13-10 win vs. New York Jets on Sept. 12.

KYLE ARRINGTON GETS SECOND NFL SACK IN AS MANY WEEKS
CB Kyle Arrington registered his second NFL sack when he dropped QB Joe Flacco for a 7 -yard loss in the second quarter. The week prior at Miami, Arrington recorded his first NFL sack when he dropped Ryan Tannehill for a 4 -yard loss in the second quarter.

## SEALVER SILIGA GETS SECOND NFL SACK IN

 AS MANY WEEKSSealver Siliga dropped QB Joe Flacco for a 7-yard loss in the fourth quarter for his second career sack. He registered his first sack the week prior at Miami when he sacked Ryan Tannehill for a 6 -yard loss in the fourth quarter.

## PATRIOTS SCORE 41 AGAINST A TOUGH

 BALTIMORE DEFENSEThe Patriots scored 41 points against Baltimore. Baltimore's defense entered the game ranked $9^{\text {th }}$ overall and was $7^{\text {th }}$ in the NFL with only 19.8 points allowed per game, including just 14.3 per game at home.

## PATRIOTS SCORE TWO DEFENSIVE <br> TOUCHDOWNS IN THE FOURTH QUARTER

DE Chandler Jones scored his first NFL touchdown when he recovered a fumble on a snap in the end zone in the fourth quarter. S Tavon Wilson ended the Ravens' next series when he returned a pick 74 yards for a touchdown. It is the third defensive touchdown for the Patriots in 2013. Logan Ryan returned a pick 79 yards for a touchdown at the NY Jets on Oct. 20.

## LEGARRETTE BLOUNT SCORES TWO TOUCHDOWNS

RB LeGarrette Blount scored on a 1-yard run in the first quarter and a 7 -yard run in the fourth quarter. It is the third time in his career that he has scored two touchdowns in a game and the first time since Sept. 8, 2011 when he was with Tampa Bay.

# 2013 Season - Game \#16 <br> New England Patriots 34, Buffalo Bills 20 

Sunday, Dec. 29, 2013 * Gillette Stadium, Foxborough, Mass. $\star 4: 25$ p.m. ET
Att: 68,756 * Surface: Field Turf * Weather: Rain* Temp: 39${ }^{\circ}$ * Wind: ESE 8 mph * Time of Game: 3:01


| TEAM STATISTICS |  |
| :---: | :---: |
|  | Visitor: BUF Home: NE |
| TOTAL FIRST DOWNS |  |
| THIRD DOWN EFFICIENCY | 4-13-31\%... 4-13-31\% |
| FOURTH DOWN EFFICIENCY | .. 0-3-0\%.......0-0-0\% |
| TOTAL NET YARDS | ..393........... 382 |
| Total Offensive Plays | .68............ 68 |
| NET YARDS RUSHING | .169........... 267 |
| NET YARDS PASSING | 224........... 115 |
| PUNTS Number and Average | .4-42.3........3-45.7 |
| PENALTIES Number and Yards | ..6/54.......... 4/31 |
| FUMBLES Number and Lost | .. 1/0............4/0 |
| EXTRA POINTS Made-Attempts | ... 2/2............ 3/3 |
| FIELD GOALS Made-Attempts | 2/2...........4/4 |
| RED ZONE EFFICIENCY | 2-4-50\%..... 1-4-25\% |
| POSSESSION | 27:13..........32:4 |


| SCORING PLAYS |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Team | Qtr | Time | Play Description (Extra Point) (Drive Info) | Visitor | Home |
| Patriots | 1 | 9:41 | S.Gostkowski 43 yd. Field Goal (13-52, 5:19) | 0 | 3 |
| Bills | 1 | 6:14 | D.Carpenter 51 yd. Field Goal (9-37, 3:27) | 3 | 3 |
| Patriots | 1 | 2:41 | S.Gostkowski 35 yd. Field Goal (9-59, 3:33) | 3 | 6 |
| Patriots | 2 | 12:14 | L.Blount 36 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) (7-94, 2:49) | 3 | 13 |
| Patriots | 2 | 0:00 | S.Gostkowski 29 yd. Field Goal (12-65, 4:43) | 3 | 16 |
| Bills | 3 | 1:29 | T.Graham 12 yd . pass from T.Lewis (D.Carpenter kick) (7-80, 2:50) | 10 | 16 |
| Patriots | 4 | 14:56 | S.Vereen 5 yd. pass from T.Brady (T.Brady to J.Edelman pass) (4-20, 1:33) | 10 | 24 |
| Bills | 4 | 10:20 | F.Jackson 5 yd. run (D.Carpenter kick) (10-80, 4:36) | 17 | 24 |
| Patriots | 4 | 7:57 | S.Gostkowski 35 yd . Field Goal (5-23, 2:23) | 17 | 27 |
| Bills | 4 | 3:26 | D.Carpenter 37 yd. Field Goal (7-33, 1:37) | 20 | 27 |
| Patriots | 4 | 2:31 | L.Blount 35 yd. run (S.Gostkowski kick) 2-45, 0:55) | 20 | 34 |

## INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS



## GAME NDTES: PATRIDTS VS. BUFFALD

| PATRIOTS 34, BUFFALO 20 |  |  |  |  |  |
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| December 29, 2013 * Gillette Stadium |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Buffalo Bills | 3 | 0 | 7 | 10 | - 20 |
| New England Patriots | 6 | 10 | 0 | 18 | - 34 |

Running back LeGarrette Blount ran for 189 yards with touchdown runs of 36 and 35 yards and had kickoff returns of 83 and 62 yards for a franchise record of 334 total yards in the Patriots $34-20$ victory over the Buffalo Bills.

The victory pushed the Patriots to a 12-4 record and a record ninth first-round bye since the current playoff format was instituted in 1990. The Patriots finished with the second-seed in the AFC playoff field, behind Denver. The win also gave the Patriots a perfect 8-0 record at home for the sixth time in team history.
The Patriots won their $13^{\text {th }}$ straight game against Buffalo at home, including a 12-0 record at Gillette Stadium.
A steady rain made throwing the ball tough on both teams, but the Patriots offense generated 267 yards on the ground on 43 attempts for a 6.2 -yard average. Blount averaged 7.9 yards per carry. The Patriots had 173 yards rushing in the first half, including 118 yards by Blount.
K Stephen Gostkowski matched a career-high with four field goals to break his own record for most field goals in a season with 38 and set a franchise record for most points in a season with 158 .
After both teams opened the game with field goal drives, the Patriots second possession led to a second field goal to give the Patriots a lead that they would not relinquish.

Blount gave the Patriots a 13-3 lead early in the second quarter when he scored on a 36 -yard touchdown run. Gostkowski added a 29 -yard field goal as time expired at the end of the first half for a 16-3 halftime lead.

Buffalo closed the gap to $16-10$ in the third quarter when QB Thad Lewis completed a 12-yard touchdown pass to WR T.J. Graham.

Blount took the ensuing kick 83 yards to the Buffalo 20yard line to set up a Tom Brady 5 -yard touchdown pass to RB Shane Vereen early in the fourth quarter. A successful two-point play from Brady to WR Julian Edelman made it 2410. Buffalo responded with a 10-play, 80 -yard drive that ended with a 5 -yard touchdown run by RB Fred Jackson to make it 24-17, but Blount took the ensuing kick 62 yards to the Buffalo 40-yard line to help set up a field goal to extend the Patriots lead to 27-17.

LB Manny Lawson intercepted a Brady pass at midfield, which helped lead to a Buffalo field goal to make it 27-20 with 3:26 to play. Buffalo attempted an onsides kick that was recovered by DB Nate Ebner. Two plays, later, Blount ran for a 35 -yard touchdown to make it 34-20 with under three minutes to play.

## PATRIOTS SET NFL MARK FOR MOST FIRST ROUND BYES; BECOME FIRST AFC TEAM TO EARN FOUR STRAIGHT BYES

The Patriots earned a first-round bye in the 2013 NFL playoffs and lead the NFL with nine first-round byes since the current NFL playoff format was instituted in 1990. The Patriots have earned a first-round bye for the fourth consecutive season, becoming the third NFL team to record four straight byes and the first AFC team to do so, joining Dallas and San Francisco, who did so from 1992 through 1995.

## PATRIOTS ARE PEFECT AT HOME

The Patriots finished with a perfect 8-0 regular-season record at Gillette Stadium for the sixth time in team history (2003, 2004, 2007, 2009, 2010 and 2013). Cincinnati and New Orleans were the only other teams in 2013 to finish undefeated at home.

BLOUNT SETS TEAM SINGLE-GAME ALLPURPOSE YARDS RECORD
LeGarrette Blount set a new Patriots single-game record with 334 all-purpose yards, gaining 189 yards from scrimmage and adding 145 return yards. Blount's performance topped the 51-year-old team record set by Larry Garron on Nov. 3, 1962, when Garron had 273 all-purpose yards at Buffalo. Blount's 334 all-purpose yards ranks 11th in NFL history and is the highest total net yardage total by an NFL player in a game since Minnesota's Adrian Peterson had 361 all-purpose yards on Oct. 14, 2007. The NFL record for single-game allpurpose yards is 404, by Denver's Glyn Milburn vs. Seattle on Dec. 10, 1995.

## BLOUNT'S 189 RUSHING YARDS ARE THE MOST

 BY A PATRIOT SINCE 1998LeGarrette Blount finished the game with 189 rushing yards on 24 carries, totaling the fifth-highest single-game rushing total in Patriots history and the highest rushing total by a Patriots player during Bill Belichick's coaching tenure in New England. The last time a Patriots player had more rushing yards in a game was on Dec. 13, 1998, when Robert Edwards had 196 rushing yards at St. Louis.

## TOM BRADY GUIDES THE PATRIOTS TO

 EIGHTH 12-WIN SEASON IN 2013Tom Brady guided the Patriots to their 12th win in 2013. Since entering the NFL in 2000, Brady's teams have reached 12 regular-season wins in eight different seasons, second all-time, behind Peyton Manning.
BRADY TIES JOHN ELWAY FOR THIRD PLACE WITH 148 CAREER WINS
Tom Brady led the Patriots to his 148th career regular season win to move into a tie with Hall of Famer John Elway for third on the all-time win list among starting quarterbacks.
GOSTKOWSKI SETS FRANCHISE RECORD FOR MOST POINTS IN A SEASON
Stephen Gostkowski set a franchise record after increasing his totals to 158 points for the season, surpassing the 155 total points scored by Gino Cappelletti in 1964. Gostkowski's previous career-high for points was 153 in 2012.

## GOSTKOWSKI IS ONE OF JUST FIVE PLAYERS TO LEAD LEAGUE IN SCORING FOR AT LEAST THREE SEASONS

Stephen Gostkowski led the NFL with 158 points in 2013, topping Denver's Matt Prater's total of 150 . Gostkowski also led the NFL in scoring in 2008 with 148 points, and in 2012 with 153 points and is one of five players to lead the NFL in scoring for at least three seasons.

## NFL Record for Most Seasons Leading the League in <br> Scoring

5 Don Hutson Green Bay (1940-44)
5 Gino Cappelletti Patriots (1961, 1963-66)
3 Stephen Gostkowski, Patriots (2008, 2012, 2013)
3 Earl Clark, Portsmouth (1932), Detroit (1935-36)
3 Pat Harder, Chicago Cardinals (1947-49)
3 Paul Hornung, Green Bay (1959-61)

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GOSTKOWSKI BREAKS HIS OWN TEAM RECORD FOR MOST FG IN A SEASON
Stephen Gostkowski made four field goals (43, 35, 29 and 35) to break his own franchise record for most field goals in a season, finishing 2013 with 38 field goals. He originally set the franchise record with 36 field goals in 2008.

## GOSTKOWSKI TIES CAREER-HIGH WITH FOUR FIELD GOALS

Gostkowski tied a career-high with four field goals. He has now had four field goals in a game seven times in his career. EDELMAN BREAKS 1,000-YARD MARK
Edelman caught a five-yard and a four-yard reception in the first quarter to push his 2013 totals over 1,000 yards to become the $10^{\text {th }}$ Patriots player to register a 1,000 -yard season. He entered the game with 991 receiving yards, and finished the season with 1,056 receiving yards.

EDELMAN BREAKS 100-CATCH MARK
Julian Edelman's 12 -yard reception in the second quarter was his 100th reception of 2013. He entered the game with 96 receptions and finished with 105 catches. Edelman joined Wes Welker (2007-09, 11-12) and Troy Brown (2001) as the only Patriots players to reach 100 receptions in a season.
BRADY FINISHES WITH 4,343 PASSING YARDS Tom Brady finished the 2013 season with 4,343 passing yards, marking his third straight 4,000-yard season and his sixth 4,000-yard season of his career. Brady owns six of the eight 4,000 -yard passing seasons in Patriots history.

## LOGAN RYAN TIES AFC LEAD IN INTERCEPTIONS WITH FIVE

Rookie CB Logan Ryan finished the 2013 season with five interceptions, tying Cleveland's Tashaun Gipson and Tennessee's Alterraun Verner for the AFC lead.

## BLOUNT HAS EIGHTH NFL 100-YARD GAME AND FIRST AS A PATRIOT

LeGarrette Blount scored on a 36 -yard touchdown run in the second quarter to put him over 100 yards for the day. It is his eighth career 100 -yard game and his first as a member of the Patriots. It is the third 100-yard rushing performance in 2013. Shane Vereen had 101 yards rushing in the seasonopener at Buffalo on Sept. 8 and RB Stevan Ridley had 115 yards vs. Pittsburgh on Nov. 3. Blount finished the game with a career-high 189 rushing yards.

## BLOUNT SETS NEW SINGLE-SEASON CAREER

HIGH WITH SEVEN TOUCHDOWNS
LeGarrette Blount had a pair of touchdown runs, bringing his season total to seven touchdowns. Blount's seven touchdowns were a new career high and tied Stevan Ridley's seven scores for the team lead. Blount finished the season with 772 rushing yards, a yard shy of Ridley's team-high 773 rushing yards.

## BLOUNT HAS A PAIR OF 30-PLUS YARD

 TOUCHDOWN RUNSLeGarrette Blount had a 36 -yard touchdown run in the second quarter and a 35 -yard scoring run in the fourth quarter, marking his second and third touchdown runs of 30 or more yards in 2013. He had a 47-yard touchdown run at Atlanta on Sept. 29.

BLOUNT HAD A CAREER-LONG 83-YARD KICKOFF RETURN IN THE THIRD QUARTER; SECOND LONGEST NON-TOUCHDOWN KICKOFF RETURN IN TEAM HISTORY
Blount had a career-long 83 -yard kickoff return in the third quarter. It is the second longest non touchdown kickoff return in team history. Kevin Faulk had a 95 -yard return vs. the New York Jets on Nov. 15, 1999. Blount's previous best was a 30 -yarder vs. Miami on Oct. 27. It is the longest kickoff return by the Patriots in 2013. Rookie WR Josh Boyce had a 41-yard kickoff return at Houston on Dec. 1.

BLOUNT IS FIRST PATRIOT PLAYER SINCE
2008 WITH TWO KICK RETURNS OF 50 OR MORE IN THE SAME SAME GAME
Blount had an 83 -yard kickoff return in the third quarter and a 62 -yard return in the fourth quarter. He is the first Patriots player to have two 50 -yard kickoff returns in the same game since Ellis Hobbs had an 81-yard return and a 50 -yard return vs. Miami on Sept. 21, 2008.

THE PATRIOTS 173 RUSHING YARDS ARE SECOND MOST EVER IN A HALF
The Patriots had 173 yards rushing in the first half, the second most ever in a half. The most by the Patriots in a half was 174 in the second half on Oct. 1, 2006 at Cincinnati.

BLOUNT STARTS WITH A STRONG RUSH
LeGarrette Blount's 118 rushing yards in the first half were the most first-half rushing yards by a Patriots running back since Sammy Morris had 138 first-half rushing yards on Oct. 20, 2008, against Denver at Gillette Stadium.

## PATRIOTS REMAIN PERFECT AGAINST BUFFALO AT GILLETTE

The Patriots have won their last 13 home games against Buffalo, including a perfect 12-0 record against the Bills at Gillette Stadium. Tom Brady is 22-2 all-time against Buffalo.

PATRIOTS POSTSEASON STREAK OF FIVE STRAIGHT IS LONGEST IN THE NFL
With Baltimore losing and being eliminated from the postseason, the Patriots streak of five straight postseason berths is tied with Green Bay for the longest active streak in the NFL.

## PATRIOTS EXTEND STREAK TO 15 STRAIGHT WINS OVER AFC EAST FOES AT HOME

The Patriots won their 15th straight game at home against AFC East opposition. The last time the Patriots lost a home game against an AFC East opponent was on Nov. 13, 2008, when the New York Jets left Gillette Stadium with a 34-31 overtime win. The Patriots are now 31-5 against the AFC East at Gillette Stadium.

## GOSTKOWSKI HAS 24 STRAIGHT FOURTH

 QUARTER FIELD GOALSStephen Gostkowski has made 24 consecutive fourth-quarter field goals, including a 35 -yarder in the fourth quarter against Buffalo.

PATRIOTS REGISTER MOST SACKS IN A SEASON SINCE 1985
The Patriots finished the 2013 season with 48 sacks, recording the team's highest single-season sack total since Bill Belichick became head coach in 2000, and the most for a Patriots team since registering 51 sacks in 1985. Prior to this season, the most sacks the Patriots had with Belichick as head coach was 46 in 2007.

