

## Panda Mauls Ottawa U Team

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In a horrific tragedy Saturday, over half of the Ottawa University football team were brutally attacked by the representative of the Panda Games, and lost in double-overtime.

"I don't know who thought it was a good idea," says one of the mothers of a mauled player, "like, it's a bear. And dumping that Gatorade overtop of it was just reckless."

The two universities had pitched in to lease the panda from the Chinese government, in celebration of the animal themed game. However, unforeseen circumstances led to the terrible events that unfolded that day.

'Jeffrey', the panda in question, had cost \$42 million and the coaches both had to pinky-swear that they would return it in good condition, and not just a polar bear wearing a tuxedo, a ploy attempted by the Harper government in previous years.

The game kicked off early, with touchdowns, kicks, and complicated tactics such as throwing the ball, catching the ball, and sometimes not catching the ball as fans were on the edge of their seats for the entirety of the game.

After tying up the game 38-38, both teams let their own mascots try and pump up the players. There was dancing, there was chanting, there were cheers, and many University of Ottawa students were taken aback at our intricate knowledge of their campus and the vividness of language we used in describing it.

Wide Receiver for the GeeGee's, Thomas Bradicorn remarked of the scene, "It was awe-inspiring, to be a part of that day. The game could have ended there and it would have been a golden memory, but..." Here, Bradicorn's attitude completely deflated; he was one of the players spared from being on the field at the time.

As the game was winding down, Jeffrey was allowed out onto the sidelines. This drew loud, jubilant shouts from the crowd, inciting the 1 tonne beast into a frenzy. Of course, this was interpreted as passion for the game, and the two teams unleashed Jeffrey, poured five gallons of Gatorade (Fruit Punch) onto him, and gave him 'friendly' pats on his bear ass - as per usual for the sport.

However, there was one fatal flaw. Jeffrey had never played football, only badminton, and as is well known, these are all things that would incite a badminton player to murderous rampage.

Jeffrey launched himself onto the field just as the GeeGee's were making a run. They didn't see him coming. Throwing himself into the rush, he belligerently savaged each member of the Ottawa team on the field. His blood lust was insatiable, children wept, parents recoiled, assistant coaches held each other in terror.

It was at this point, with everyone staring at the mayhem, that Gregory Hardly, a Ravens quarterback, noticed the ball was still in play. He picked it up, passed to his running back, and scored a touchdown with the field goal to seal the win.

As no coach had called timeout, the referees agreed on its legitimacy and the Ravens were victorious. "HAHA! <Hallowed> YES, MOTHA<Hallowed>ERS!" says Hardly, bearily unable to hide his grief.

While thus far, no member of the Ottawa University team has succumbed to their injuries, Jeffrey was treated at The Ottawa Hospital for mild trauma, and is booked to go home this week. He is enjoying diplomatic immunity and traveling first class in order to show obeisance for our error.

"It's something you just can't wrap your head around," Steve Sumarah says, still visibly shaking, "winning a Panda Game just makes this whole year a bonus for me."