

# DERO's Rankings Report

Fantasy Football is a cruel mistress. I think this week is a great example of what can go wrong in just a singular week of fantasy football. Nate experienced his first defeat of the season in an absolute drubbing that saw him lose by nearly 100 points. Not only that but his team lost their crown jewel in Justin Jefferson who may not play for quite some time. Jordan might be kicking himself after starting the wrong Colts RB last week. Jonathan Taylor, his big time RB that he had been waiting on, saw limited work while perceived backup Zack Moss went nuclear in a 33 point performance against the Titans. If Jordan had started Moss over Taylor he would not be looking at a 0 in the win column. I get the sense this may be the reason Jonathan Taylor is no longer on Jordan's team. To cap it all off, I followed Christian's matchup against Casey during Sunday Night Football and watched a tragedy unfold. Baby Got Dak came into Sunday Night with Dak Prescott and Christian McCaffrey left to play down by about 25 points. This should have been a layup since McCaffrey could probably get that by himself. The first half went pretty well both Dak and Christian both had touchdowns and Baby Got Dak seemed well on their way to another victory. They were sitting 10 points back at the start of the second half. Christian's team would get as close as 4 points at one point in the second half but would lose on the back of 3 Dak Prescott interceptions that all came on consecutive drives before Dak and McCaffrey would both be pulled in the 49ers blowout win. It's painful to think that if McCaffrey (who had a fumble in the first half) and Dak had never turned the ball over that it would have saved Baby Got Dak 8 points and gotten him the victory. Despite all of the despair, I still have our rankings for this week. This week's Wildcard Ranking looks at all of the moves that have been made thus far this year. I rate each team based on how many transaction points they have earned so far this season. Each team earns a point for each free agent transaction they've made and 3 points for each trade they have completed.

## Manager Efficiency Rankings

1. Jaylen (94.64%) 0 ranking change
2. Pat (92.62%) 0
3. Santi (92.61%) +2
4. Christian (92.43%) 0
5. Isaac (91.51%) +1
6. Jordan (93.18%) -4

- 7. Casey (87.72%) +1
- 8. Nate (87.55%) -1
- 9. Tino (83.12%) 0
- 10. Brandon (81.37%) 0

**League Average - 89.36%**

\*\*Efficiency is determined by points scored versus possible points scored.

**Clubby League Final Power Rankings**

- 1. Baby Got Dak (83.76 ranking pts; 3-2 record; 0 ranking change)
  - o This is a team that should probably be 4-1 but some absolutely rotten luck has them at 3-2. Despite the bad luck, all of the underlying power rank stats are great. Christian has his team firing on all cylinders as they are above league average in all measured metrics that this power ranking considers. I think it's safe to say that Baby Got Dak will be looking not to leave a doubt this week against Santiagos Wealth who will be looking to get back to .500.
- 2. Kirko Chains (68.60; 4-1; 0)
  - o The fall from grace was fast and painful for Kirko Chains. The perfect season dies on a near 100 point loss. Not only that, but Nate loses his number one guy in the same week. This flips his team from a promising outlook to a team in danger of losing their spot in these rankings and dropping in the standings. Nate will have to pick up the pieces rather quickly as he takes on an opponent hungry for a win in Caseys Dad.
- 3. PGill (64.34; 2-3; 0)
  - o After a 49 point performance from DJ Moore on Thursday night, I would have thought that PGill would have been shooting for a league record on Sunday in a blowout victory. Instead, his team had a rather close bout against Caseys Dad. Outside of

DJ Moore's masterful performance, Pat's squad only managed to put up a rather underwhelming 87.76 points. Granted a win is a win and it is a step in the right direction for Pat. He will look to build on last week's win as he takes on the master of luck in The Stache.

#### 4. Caseys Dad (61.19; 1-4; 0)

- It's been a rough go at it for Caseys Dad. Outside of the one breakout week, it's been a struggle to score points. Hopefully the recent trade with Basically the Bills will spark some life into the lineup and rekindle what the team had in week 3. Shipping Stefon Diggs off for Saquon Barkley and Brandon Aiyuk is a big move that will look to distribute upside throughout the lineup. This week Jaylen will look to get back on track against the team at the top of the standings in Kirko Chains.

#### 5. Charbonnet Sauvignon (59.08; 4-1; 0)

- Consistency has been the name of the game for Santi. Outside of one down week, Santi has been able to put up some respectable numbers which has landed him in the win column most weeks. His matchup this past week against Markakis' Anaconda saw him put the league's second highest score on the week on the back of some interesting names such as Jaleel McLaughlin and George Pickens. Charbonnet Sauvignon will look to continue their winning ways against Basically the Bills who pretty much field a completely new lineup every week.

#### 6. Basically The Bills (53.82; 2-3; 0)

- It's not a true week of fantasy football in this league if Tino has not made a trade to tinker with his roster. Basically the Bills made two swaps this week. In his first trade, Tino was able to land Stefon Diggs so that his team could live up to their new name. In his second move, he promptly shipped off one of his Bills in Gabe Davis for an explosive RB in Breece Hall. We will see if the

trades continue to pay off this week as Basically the Bills look to get back to .500 against Charbonnet Sauvignon.

7. Players To Be Named Later (53.09; 3-2; +1)

- It was a big week for Players To Be Named Later. They dropped a league high 169.72 points this week on the only remaining undefeated team in the league. Although the optimization bug continues to bite this team as Brandon has not been able to put out an optimal lineup with this roster. An injury to Anthony Richardson really hurt the manager efficiency since backup Justin Fields went off for 32 points. The depth of this team will be tested since both Anthony Richardson and Devon Achane were both placed on the IR this week. Brandon will look to keep his squad rolling as he takes on the current bottom feeder in the league in Markakis' Anaconda.

8. The Stache (50.35; 4-1; -1)

- I think the most accurate word to describe this team right now is lucky. Considering the circumstances of last week's win, that's all you can really say about a team that has seen the lowest points against by a pretty sizable margin. Casey continues to make moves to better his team as he made a trade to acquire Jonathan Taylor and Tee Higgins for Jaylen Waddle. If both players that The Stache acquired come back to full health and reprise their roles, Casey's squad could quickly go from lucky to really good. The Stache will look to stay in their winning ways as they take on PGill.

9. Santiagos Wealth (45.73; 2-3; 0)

- It was a tough week for Santiagos Wealth. Isaac's squad took a brutal 2-point loss at the hands of Brandon Aiyuk and Basically the Bills. After dropping below .500 for the second time this season, Isaac has been very active in molding his team this week with lots of waiver moves and a

trade. In this week's trade, he acquired an explosive WR in Gabe Davis for a volatile RB in Breece Hall. This is a splash move that hopefully will get Sanitagos Wealth back to .500 as they take on big time contender in Baby Got Dak.

10. Markakis' Anaconda (28.54; 0-5; 0)

- o There was a sense that this team was preaching patience prior to last week's matchup, but now, I don't get that sense anymore. Waiting for Jonathan Taylor I guess was taking too long, because he was promptly shipped off this week with Tee Higgins to acquire Jaylen Waddle. This team is slowly getting healthier and is down to one player on Injured Reserve. Jordan's squad will look to break into the win column against Players To Be Named Later, a team that scored the league high in points last week.

\*\*Ranking points are not points scored but are a weighted average using normalized points scored, points against, coaching efficiency, and total roster points.

## **Wildcard Ranking of the Week: Transaction Rankings**

1. Basically The Bills (23 transaction pts)
2. Santiagos Wealth (21 pts)
3. PGill (20 pts)
4. Kirko Chains (14 pts)
5. Players To Be Named Later (13 pts)
6. The Stache (12 pts)
7. Markakis' Anaconda (8 pts)
8. Charbonnet Sauvignon (6 pts)
9. Baby Got Dak & Caseys Dad(5 pts)

Some notes for these rankings that I found interesting:

- Sanitagos Wealth leads the league in waiver transactions picking up 18 free agents thus far.
- To no one's surprise, Tino leads the league in completed trades with 4 so far this year. When commenting on one of his most recent trades he said "I love this shit."

- There are only two league members yet to be involved in a trade. Those two are Charbonnet Sauvignon and Players To Be Named Later. Both of these teams would be in the playoffs if they started this week.