

DERO's Rankings Report

First off, I hope everyone had a great Turkey Day and wish everyone the best of luck these last couple of weeks. I'm thankful for how much fun this league has been to play in and cover. This league is in a very fun spot with almost everyone in the league vying for a playoff spot. Nothing has really been decided yet, but those at 6-5 or better have put themselves in a great spot to make the playoffs. I expect the cut line to make the playoffs to be at .500 or 7-7. We finally have some separation in the standings and someone all alone at the top. Congrats to Jordan and his team Markakis' Anaconda who find themselves in this spot without making a single free agent acquisition. I feel like normally this would be an absolutely terrible strategy but for as wild as this year has been, Jordan has been able to get away with it. The last day for trading is upon us so anyone looking to make upgrades to their team via trade better work quickly. We've seen some pretty big moves this week. This includes Joe Burrow on the move early in the week, and bevy of swaps right before the Thanksgiving day games. Later in the season, I plan to take a look at how these trades turned out and see who our winners and losers were. This week's Wildcard Rankings look at roster quality. I wanted to quantify how strong each team's roster has been throughout this season. To do this, I went and calculated the total number of points produced by each team's rosters from the starters to the bench.

Manager Efficiency Rankings

1. Pat (90.88%) +3 rankings change
2. Christian (90.79%) +1
3. Jeremy (90.27%) -2
4. Tony (89.41%) -2
5. Jaylen (89.32%) 0
6. Tino (89.21%) +1
7. Brandon (88.13%) -1
8. Casey (86.78%) +2
9. Jordan (86.51%) -1
10. Isaac (86.50%) -1

League Average - 88.78%

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

Clubby League Week 11 Power Rankings

1. PGill (328.095 ranking pts; 6-5 record; 0 rankings change)

- Don't look now but PGill is on a losing streak. Pat's team has dropped two in a row. During this time, PGill is averaging 127.45 points per game which is 24.2 points below his average points per game on the season. His explosive RB group has not been as productive as it was early on in the season. Seeing this, Pat has been one of the more aggressive managers at the deadline. His roster shakeups include the addition of Ken Walker III, Keenan Allen, and George Kittle. These major additions will hopefully be the key to getting back in the win column. PGill squares off against a team looking to get back in the playoff picture in Jeremy.

2. The Stache (309.671; 6-5; 0)

- The Stache flexed their scoring muscles again this past week. Casey got a huge 152.14 point performance from his team this week. It was good enough to have beat anybody in the league. Casey's team is solidifying their bid as one of the strongest teams in the league. They have scored 1528.14 points on the season which is good enough for second in the league and over 80 points better than the third highest scorer. It should also be noted that Casey is no longer the least efficient manager in the league, he has risen to the eighth spot in those rankings for the first time this season. Casey and The Stache will look to vie for a first round bye in the playoffs as they take on a desperate team in Can Only Go Up.

3. Players To Be Named Later (300.859; 5-6; +1)

- This team might be cursed with mediocrity. The trend continues in the most bizarre way possible.

After thinking he might have finally had his team rolling, Brandon is left wondering where his team went after the early window games on Sunday. His entire receiving core was pretty much MIA including -0.6 points from Rondale Moore and 0 points from Kadarius Toney. I would feel much stronger about this ranking after a 130 point performance but not a 112 point performance that this team put out this past week. If you catch this team on the right week, they are definitely beatable. Players to be Named Later will be looking to get back in the win column and stay in the playoff picture against Caseys Dad.

4. Jeremy (300.317; 5-6; -1)

- o The streak may have ended but I have some serious concerns. This team squeaked by Caseys Dad this past week on the back of a 105 point performance. 105 points by itself is a major concern but when you go without a defense, a kicker, and playing an injured WR, I have to wonder if your manager has a pulse. With the monkey finally off of Jeremy's back, he will look to get back in the playoff picture. Mahomes is a true differentiator that Jeremy look to build around. Jeremy did not remain idle during the deadline, as he sent away George Kittle for some much needed reinforcements in DJ Moore and AJ Dillon. These players have not been consistently strong for most of the season, but Jeremy will hope that the change of scenery will allow them to be major contributors on his team. The road won't get any easier after the big win, as Jeremy will be taking on a reeling PGill.

5. Caseys Dad (297.691; 5-6; 0)

- o Last week's loss has to be brutal. Not only did Caseys Dad not manage to score 100 points, but they lost to a team that did not play a kicker or a defense and failed to play a healthy WR at one of their WR spots. A loss like this has to be tough to

swallow as it puts Jaylen outside of the playoff picture right now. Justin Fields did not have his usual other worldly performance last week and Jaylen struggled to get major production elsewhere in his lineup. His RB room seems to be running thinner and thinner by the day as he lost Clyde-Edwards Helaire to injury and Melvin Gordon to being cut. Caseys Dad currently sits out of the playoffs by a tiebreaker. Jaylen can push his way back into the playoff picture against the team he's losing the tiebreaker to in Players To Be Named Later.

6. Markakis' Anaconda (297.163; 7-4; 0)

- o When I thought about a team that would break away from the rest of the pack these past couple of weeks, this team was not that team. Yet here we are. Jordan has a legit contender who is really hot right now. He sits alone atop the league standings. The most impressive part is that he has yet to make a waiver claim. Built off of the draft and some timely trades, Markakis' Anaconda is one of the favorites for a first round bye and has a great chance of winning out. Jordan will face a bottom three strength of schedule for the rest of the season. Markakis' Anaconda faces off against My Ball Zach Ertz in a battle of teams that are currently in the playoff picture.

7. Can Only Go Up (296.059; 5-6; +2)

- o Since the four game winning streak a couple weeks ago, Can Only Go Up has struggled. Between bad luck and barely breaking a hundred points, nothing seems to have gone right. Tino has held to his status quo by being very aggressive at the deadline. He shuffled his roster more this week by acquiring Saquon Barkley, Jeff Wilson Jr., and Joshua Palmer during the trade deadline week. With these additions, Tino will be looking to get out of the second to last spot in the standings. With the

fourth hardest remaining schedule, it will be no easy climb back to relevance. With most of the league within a game of each other, Can Only Go Up will have ample opportunity to get back into the playoff picture. This week Tino takes on a tough opponent in The Stache.

8. My Ball Zach Ertz (295.607; 6-5; -1)

- o Another notch in the win column puts My Ball Zach Ertz in a great spot to make the playoffs. Christian had some big performances up and down his lineup this past week. QB continued to be a position of concern for this team as Russell Wilson barely managed to eclipse the ten point mark against one of the weakest pass defenses in the league. To solve this problem, Christian went and acquired Joe Burrow. This should be a major boost for his team as it shores up one of his biggest holes. Christian might be supplanting himself as a candidate to rise in these rankings and make a playoff run. My Ball Zach Ertz has a tough road ahead of them as they stare down the league's second hardest remaining schedule. Chrisitan will be facing off against the new league leader in the standings in Markakis' Anaconda.

9. The Human CentIpad (293.590; 6-5; -1)

- o The Human CentIpad pulled off a huge upset over PGill last week. Big performances by Derrick Henry and Aaron Rodgers allowed Isaac's squad to pull out the five point victory over PGill. The win puts them in the driver seat as a team to make the playoffs. Although they'll have to continue to win without one of their top RBs in Joe Mixon. His absence may only be brief, but it will be important that Isaac finds someone to fill his shoes. Every game is important down this home stretch and luckily for Isaac, he will have the softest schedule for the remainder of the regular season. This includes matchups against two teams outside of

the playoff picture. It leads off with a matchup against a struggling team in the Mean Machine.

10. Mean Machine (280.948; 4-7; 0)

- o Unfortunately, the Mean Machine could not stop the bleeding last week. The losing streak was extended to five games after this past week's loss. Tony's squad is in a tough spot. If he can somehow find a way to win out, he can get back to .500. Based on the most recent projections, 7-7 will likely be the cut line to make the playoffs. It won't be easy to make the comeback and reach this point but one main key will be to play players who score points. This formula may seem simple but Tony has struggled to find production from his roster consistently. The Mean Machine will face the 7th most difficult remaining schedule starting with a matchup against the Human CentIpad.

**Ranking points are not points scored but is a mathematical formula using normalized points scored, points against, and coaching efficiency.

Roster Quality Rankings

1. The Stache (2101.52 total points produced)
2. PGill (2063.70 pts)
3. Markakis' Anaconda (1951.5 pts)
4. Jeremy (1846.90 pts)
5. My Ball Zach Ertz (1824.34 pts)
6. Players To Be Named Later (1816.52 pts)
7. Caseys Dad (1802.60 pts)
8. The Human CentIpad (1769.92 pts)
9. Can Only Go Up (1761.38 pts)
10. Mean Machine (1617.32 pts)

**Roster quality was calculated by totaling the amount of points produced by a team. This includes the total points from both the starters and the bench players for each given week.

Expected Playoff Seeding with Records

Projection based on average points scored

Championship Bracket

1. Markakis' Anaconda (10-4)
2. PGill (9-5)
3. The Stache (9-5)
4. Human CentIpad (8-6)
5. Player To Be Named Later (7-7)
6. My Ball Zach Ertz (7-7)

Punishment Bracket

7. Jeremy (6-8)
8. Caseys Dad (5-9)
9. Can Only Go Up (5-9)
10. Mean Machine (4-10)

**Tiebreakers were settled based upon total points scored as of this current week.

Projection based on the Power Rankings

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2. The Stache (9-5)
3. Markakis' Anaconda (9-5)
4. Player To Be Named Later (7-7)
5. Jeremy (7-7)
6. Human CentIpad (7-7)

Punishment Bracket

7. Can Only Go Up (7-7)
8. My Ball Zach Ertz (6-8)
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