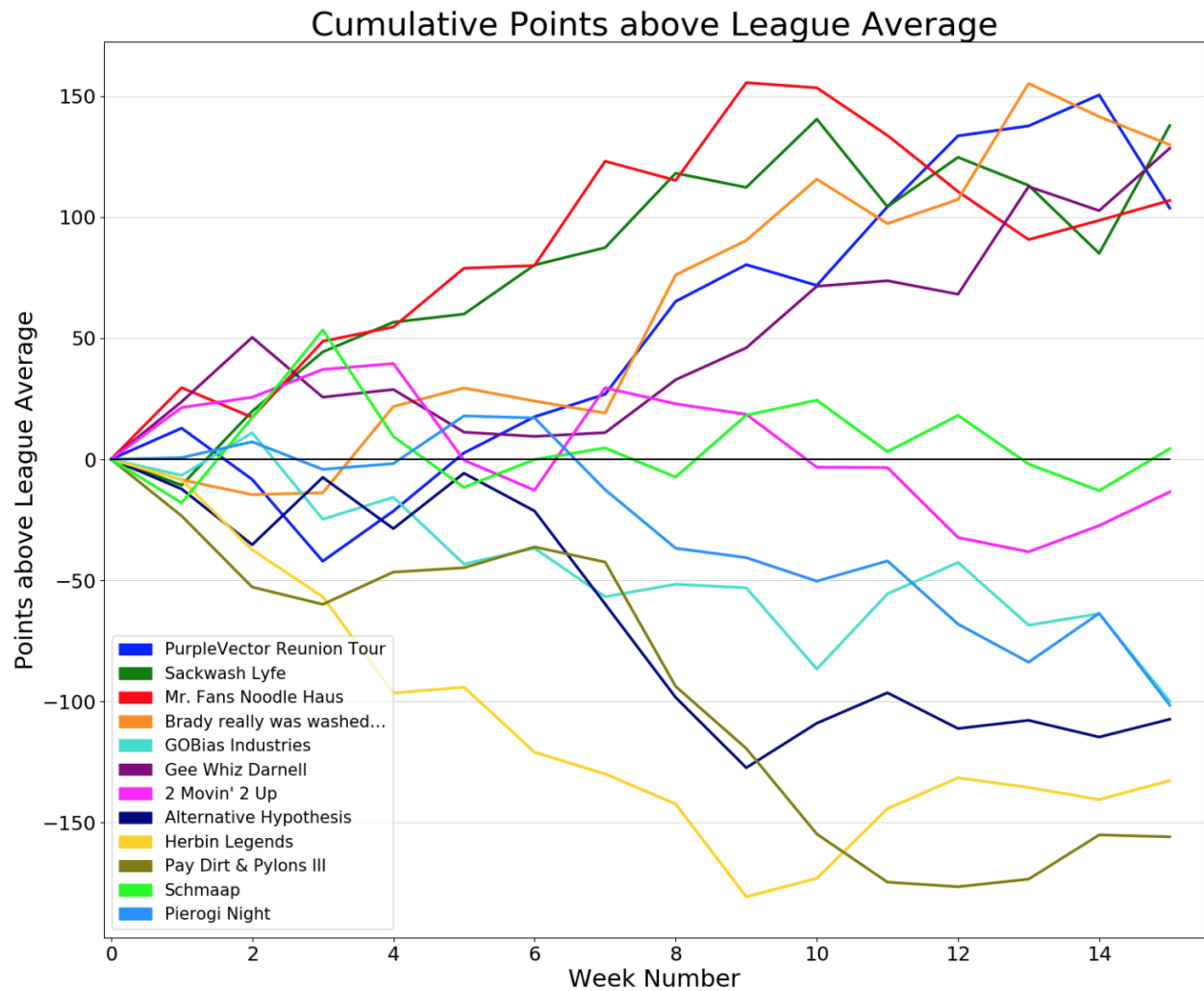


2023 DKEHeads Summary

Regular Season Standings						
Team	Record	Points For	Points Against	PPG	Expected W-L	
3 PurpleVector Reunion Tour	12-3	1799.38	1695.34	120.0	9-6	
Sackwash Lyfe	8-7	1833.52	1715.12	122.2	9-6	
1 Brady really was washed...	8-7	1825.54	1700.80	121.9	9-6	
2 Gee Whiz Darnell	8-7	1824.12	1697.44	121.6	9-6	
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	8-7	1802.54	1641.40	120.2	9-6	
Herbin Legends	8-7	1562.92	1662.50	104.2	6-9	
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	8-7	1539.68	1710.36	102.7	5-10	
2 Movin' 2 Up	7-8	1682.16	1649.98	112.1	7-8	
GOBias Industries	7-8	1595.72	1616.48	106.4	6-9	
Schmaap	6-9	1700.04	1650.62	113.3	8-7	
Alternative Hypothesis	6-9	1588.26	1690.34	105.9	6-9	
Pierogi Night	4-11	1594.06	1917.56	106.3	6-9	

Semifinals	
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	152.58
Gee Whiz Darnell	167.22
Brady really was washed...	124.22
Sackwash Lyfe	90.04

Championship	
Brady really was washed...	120.40
Gee Whiz Darnell	106.38



The Brady Dynasty Continues: Will's Second Title

- Will won his 2nd title in 4 years, cementing himself as one of the top managers in the league.
- Will joins Schulwolf and Jay as the only managers to have won two DKEHeads championships.
- Brady really was washed... scored 121.9 points per game (PPG) in the regular season, finishing 2nd of 12 teams (+8.9 PPG higher than league average).

Champions, 2012-2023				
Year	Team	Owner	PPG	PPG Above Season Baseline
2023	Brady really was washed...	Will	121.9	8.9
2022	Movin' On Up	Todd	110.2	-0.6
2021	Pay Dirt & Pylons	Cam	126.1	13.3
2020	Brady = Washed Up IV	Will	115.2	14.3
2019	Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	99.6	-1.2
2018	Burnett = Microdong	Mike	108.5	7.2
2017	GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	115.7	22.3
2016	Radical Shizzlam	Kevin	112.8	16.8
2015	Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	101.5	4.8
2014	Bullsack	Brenton	105.1	7.5
2013	GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	108.3	8.9
2012	Runcible Spooling	Codola	103.3	5.5

- Brady really was washed... was powered by the terrifying Cowboys stack of Dak Prescott/CeeDee Lamb, and had strong depth throughout the roster.
 - *QB: Dak Prescott (#4 in scoring)*
 - *RB: Joe Mixon (#7; acquired midseason), D'Andre Swift (#19), Josh Jacobs (#25), Chuba Hubbard (#28), Nick Chubb (injured Week 2)*
 - *WR: CeeDee Lamb (#1), AJ Brown (#5), Romeo Doubs (#35)*
 - *TE: Sam LaPorta (#1), Trey McBride (#9, traded midseason)*
- Brady really was washed... started the season a bit slow, going 1-2 in their first 3 games (109 PPG). Their one win was fortuitous (94.02-93.90 nailbiter over Herbin Legends after Aaron Rodgers's injury).
- Brady really was washed... caught fire in midseason, going on a 6-1 run to improve their record to 7-3. Will's squad averaged 131 PPG during this 7-game stretch.
- Brady really was washed... struggled with consistency down the stretch (1-4 in last 5 games), scoring fewer than 100 points in Weeks 11, 14, and 15.
- However, Brady really was washed... rebounded in the playoffs, beating Sackwash Lyfe 124.22 - 90.04 in the semis before edging Gee Whiz Darnell 120.40 - 106.38 in the final.
- Brady really was washed... won the title despite losing his most expensive draft acquisition (Nick Chubb, \$52) in Week 2, and dropping De'Von Achane after Week 1
 - Prescott (\$4), LaPorta (\$1), and CeeDee (\$43) were huge draft-day bargains

Story of the Season

Team Name	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4	Week 5	Week 6	Week 7	Week 8
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	115.34	94.76	88.52	133.10	137.16	123.36	113.90	158.16
Sackwash Lyfe	91.80	146.48	146.78	124.66	116.52	128.70	111.76	150.56
Brady really was washed...	94.02	109.80	123.06	148.02	120.84	103.00	99.66	176.86
Gee Whiz Darnell	126.24	142.56	97.56	115.58	95.52	106.68	106.14	141.66
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	132.06	103.74	153.66	118.30	137.42	109.54	147.70	111.88
Herbin Legends	93.90	87.14	102.86	72.66	115.58	81.54	95.64	107.36
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	79.08	86.58	115.14	125.70	114.96	117.02	98.36	68.42
2 Movin' 2 Up	123.86	120.18	133.78	114.84	73.24	96.02	146.88	113.18
GOBias Industries	95.84	133.54	86.56	121.46	85.60	114.94	84.56	124.98
Schmaap	84.46	151.26	158.44	68.36	92.16	119.94	109.32	107.80
Alternative Hypothesis	90.24	92.90	150.08	91.24	136.04	92.84	66.16	81.20
Pierogi Night	103.16	122.50	110.90	114.78	132.84	107.58	74.96	95.62
Average	102.50	115.95	122.28	112.39	113.16	108.43	104.59	119.81

Team Name	Week 9	Week 10	Week 11	Week 12	Week 13	Week 14	Week 15	Mean
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	125.72	110.08	142.50	148.36	122.24	124.22	61.96	119.96
Sackwash Lyfe	104.68	146.82	73.84	139.50	106.52	83.38	161.52	122.23
Brady really was washed...	124.76	143.96	91.66	129.04	166.06	97.74	97.06	121.86
Gee Whiz Darnell	123.72	144.08	112.30	113.50	162.60	101.50	134.48	121.61
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	150.90	116.52	90.34	95.90	98.28	119.36	116.94	120.17
Herbin Legends	72.22	126.26	138.78	131.82	114.18	106.42	116.56	104.19
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	84.92	83.28	90.14	117.18	121.26	129.72	107.92	102.65
2 Movin' 2 Up	106.20	96.82	109.86	90.18	112.24	122.24	122.64	112.14
GOBias Industries	109.04	85.10	141.06	132.06	92.22	116.20	72.56	106.38
Schmaap	136.10	124.84	88.74	134.06	98.06	100.44	126.06	113.34
Alternative Hypothesis	81.50	137.04	122.58	104.32	121.52	104.52	116.08	105.88
Pierogi Night	106.64	108.92	118.40	92.98	102.38	131.64	70.76	106.27
Average	110.53	118.64	110.02	119.08	118.13	111.45	108.71	113.04

- Top Single-Game Performance: Brady really was washed (176.86 points, Week 8)
 - Brady really was washed... went nuclear in Week 8
 - Dak Prescott (28.06 pts), CeeDee Lamb (35 pts), and AJ Brown (29 pts) combined for 92.06 points
 - Cowboys beat Rams 43-20
 - Eagles beat Commanders 38-31
 - Brady really was washed... got strong contributions across the roster, as each player scored at least 10 points.
 - Will's Week 8 performance was the 4th-best in the PPR era (2021-2023)

Top Single Game Scores, PPR Era (2021-2023)					
Year	Week	Team (W)	Team (L)	Score (W)	Score (L)
2021	16	Pay Dirt & Pylons	GOBias Industries	205.10	113.88
2021	14	Pay Dirt & Pylons	Herbin Legends	187.22	137.92
2022	12	GOBias Industries	Jasjaap's Primo Team	177.74	112.76
2023	8	Brady really was washed...	Pay Dirt & Pylons III	176.86	68.42
2022	9	Brady = Washed Up IV	Sackwash Lyfe	175.12	104.40
2021	5	Brady = Washed Up III	Shiva Volodarskaya	170.72	127.50
2021	13	Dak to Dak	GOBias Industries	170.52	139.10
2022	4	Sackwash Lyfe	Movin' On Up	169.02	102.14
2023	16	Gee Whiz Darnell	PurpleVector Reunion Tour	167.22	152.58
2023	13	Brady really was washed...	Pierogi Night	166.06	102.38

That 2021 Pay Dirt & Pylons team was really, really good. Also, shout-out to Will for holding 4 of the 10 spots here.

- Worst Single-Game Performance: **PurpleVector Reunion Tour (61.96 points, Week 15)**
 - The 1st-place team took a week off in the meaningless regular season finale
 - PurpleVector had gone 11 straight games (Weeks 4-14) with at least 110 points; so to see the squad barely muster 60 points was shocking, even with all of their WRs injured.
 - PurpleVector Reunion Tour led the league in scoring after Week 14. By the end of Week 15, they had slipped to 5th overall in regular season points.
- Top Scoring Matchup: **Gee Whiz Darnell def. PurpleVector Reunion Tour (319.8 total points, 167.22 - 152.58, Week 17)**
 - This was quite an epic semifinal.
 - No other matchup this season (or last season) exceeded 290 points
 - It was the 2nd-highest scoring matchup in the PPR era (2021-2023)
 - PurpleVector's 152 point showing was the highest mark for a losing team in the PPR era (2021-2023). Coming into the semifinals, teams with +150 points had gone 36-0 since 2021.

Highest Scoring Matchups PPR Era (2021-2023)						
Year	Week	Team (W)	Team (L)	Score (W)	Score (L)	Total Score
2021	14	Pay Dirt & Pylons	Herbin Legends	187.22	137.92	325.14
2023	16	Gee Whiz Darnell	PurpleVector Reunion Tour	167.22	152.58	319.80
2021	16	Pay Dirt & Pylons	GOBias Industries	205.10	113.88	318.98
2021	13	Dak to Dak	GOBias Industries	170.52	139.10	309.62
2021	5	Brady = Washed Up III	Shiva Volodarskaya	170.72	127.50	298.22
2021	6	Jasjaap's Primo Team	Herbin Legends	148.94	146.38	295.32
2022	12	GOBias Industries	Jasjaap's Primo Team	177.74	112.76	290.50
2023	2	Sackwash Lyfe	Gee Whiz Darnell	146.48	142.56	289.04
2021	5	Jasjaap's Primo Team	GOBias Industries	145.50	142.46	287.96
2023	12	PurpleVector Reunion Tour	Sackwash Lyfe	148.36	139.50	287.86

- Lowest Scoring Matchup: **Alternative Hypothesis def. Herbin Legends (163.9 total points, 91.24 - 72.66, Week 4)**

- Incredibly, 9 of the other 10 teams scored over 110 points in Week 4. Alternative Hypothesis would have lost to almost anyone else.
- It was the third-lowest scoring matchup in the PPR era (2021-2023).
- **Biggest Blowout: Brady really was washed def. Pay Dirt & Pylons III** (176.86 - 68.42, **108.44 margin**, Week 8)
 - This is the second-largest blowout in the PPR era (2021-2023)

Biggest Blowouts, PPR Era (2021-2023)						
Year	Week	Team (W)	Team (L)	Score (W)	Score (L)	Margin
2021	2	GOBias Industries	Dak to Dak	163.80	51.38	112.42
2023	8	Brady really was washed...	Pay Dirt & Pylons III	176.86	68.42	108.44
2021	16	Pay Dirt & Pylons	GOBias Industries	205.10	113.88	91.22
2023	15	Sackwash Lyfe	Pierogi Night	161.52	70.76	90.76
2021	5	Dak to Dak	Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	145.08	58.28	86.80
2022	8	Pay Dirt & Pylons II	Sackwash Lyfe	159.10	74.62	84.48
2023	7	Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Alternative Hypothesis	147.70	66.16	81.54
2022	14	Pay Dirt & Pylons II	Null Hypothesis	153.40	77.60	75.80
2022	9	Brady = Washed Up IV	Sackwash Lyfe	175.12	104.40	70.72
2022	13	Pierogi Night	Null Hypothesis	148.74	78.64	70.10

As an aside, in 2022, both Null Hypothesis and Sackwash Lyfe lost back-to-back games by +70 points (Weeks 13-14 for Null Hypothesis; Weeks 8-9 for Sackwash Lyfe)

- **Closest Margin: Brady really was washed def. Herbin Legends** (94.02 - 93.90, **0.12 margin**, Week 1)
 - Herbin Legends appeared on course for a Week 1 win, trailing by only 0.12 points (3 passing yards) with Aaron Rodgers on deck for Monday Night Football. Brutal.
 - As Todd observed, perhaps this was karma for the Islamophobic team name selected by Jacob Brand during the draft.
 - It was the narrowest regular season loss in the PPR era (2021-2023)

Closest Games, PPR Era (2021-2023)						
Year	Week	Team (W)	Team (L)	Score (W)	Score (L)	Margin
2022	17	Movin' On Up	Pierogi Night	89.42	89.38	0.04
2023	1	Brady really was washed...	Herbin Legends	94.02	93.90	0.12
2022	17	Null Hypothesis	Gee Whiz Darnell	113.96	113.78	0.18
2021	4	Sackwash Lyfe	Pay Dirt & Pylons	106.04	105.72	0.32
2021	8	Sackwash Lyfe	Dak to Dak	94.90	94.48	0.42
2023	15	Herbin Legends	Alternative Hypothesis	116.56	116.08	0.48
2022	4	GOBias Industries	Gee Whiz Darnell	124.68	123.98	0.70
2023	13	PurpleVector Reunion Tour	Alternative Hypothesis	122.24	121.52	0.72
2023	4	Gee Whiz Darnell	2 Movin' 2 Up	115.58	114.84	0.74
2021	15	Dak to Dak	Champagne or Bust	131.28	130.24	1.04

Week 17 in 2022 ended up being very tight because of the Damar Hamlin incident..

- **Alternative Hypothesis suffered two losses by less than 1 point in the last three weeks** of the 2023 regular season (122.24 - 121.52 to PurpleVector in Week 13 and 116.56 - 116.08 to Herbin Legends in Week 15). Unbelievable! This would have been a much bigger story if we didn't allow Schmaap to stay together; otherwise Eli would have shared a team with Mike in 2024.
- **Highest Scoring Week: Week 3, 122.28 points per team**
 - 3 teams scored over 150 points (Schmaap, Mr. Fan, Alternative Hypothesis)
 - Schmaap's explosion was fueled by 41 points from Mostert and 36 points from Keenan Allen
 - Mr. Fan had eight players score at least 15 points that week, a remarkably balanced effort
 - Alternative Hypothesis got 33 points from the Buffalo D/ST, and over 20 points apiece from Mahomes, Chase, and Thielen
- **Lowest Scoring Week: Week 1, 102.50 points per team**
 - 7 of the 12 teams failed to reach 100 points
 - Week 1 is always a wild card; offenses are rusty, and managers don't know which players will actually live up to the hype.

Gee Whiz Darnell's Miraculous Run

- Gee Whiz Darnell started the season 1-6, but closed the year on a 7-1 tear to sneak into the playoffs at 8-7.
- Gee Whiz Darnell was the first team in league history to qualify for the playoffs after starting 1-5 (let alone 1-6).
- Remarkably, both teams this year that started 1-5 (Gee Whiz and Herbin Legends) finished above .500. This feat had never been achieved in league history, so it's crazy that two teams managed to do so in 2023.

Best "Rebounds" from Teams starting 1-5 or Worse						
Team	Owner	Year	Record after		Final Win %	Playoffs
			Week 6	Final Record		
Gee Whiz Darnell	Brenton	2023	1-5	8-7	53%	Yes
Herbin Legends	Brand	2023	1-5	8-7	53%	No
Shiva Volodarskaya	Todd	2018	1-5	7-7	50%	No
Lowest of the Low	Tommy	2016	1-5	7-7	50%	No
Team BULL	Brenton	2012	1-5	7-7	50%	No
Burnett = Microdong	Mike	2017	1-5	6-8	43%	No
That Sackwash Feel	Tommy	2017	1-5	6-8	43%	No
Winners Circle	Cam	2016	1-5	6-8	43%	No
Watch Me Pey Pey	Will	2015	1-5	6-8	43%	No
Schmop	Burnett	2013	1-5	6-8	43%	No
LeSean Hara	Eli	2019	1-5	5-9	36%	No
Taco's #1 Guest Bong	Cam	2015	1-5	5-9	36%	No
Jasjaap's Primo Team	Jasjaap	2019	1-5	5-9	36%	No
Redemption317	Cam	2018	1-5	5-9	36%	No
Kitchitis	Will	2014	1-5	5-9	36%	No
Foster's Foster's	Berghoff	2012	1-5	5-9	36%	No
Schmop	Burnett	2022	1-5	4-10-1	30%	No
GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	2020	1-5	3-11	21%	No
Radical Shizzlam	Kevin	2017	1-5	3-11	21%	No
Champagne or Bust	Eli	2021	0-6	3-12	20%	No
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	2021	0-6	3-12	20%	No
Rudy's Revengencers	Osborn	2013	0-6	0-14	0%	No

- A major ingredient to Gee Whiz Darnell's success was two Week 1 waiver wire pickups: Kyren Williams (\$7) and Puka Nacua (\$19).
- Gee Whiz Darnell's midseason turnaround was fueled by both: i) higher points scored and ii) fewer points allowed.
 - *Points Scored:* Gee Whiz was close to league average in the 1st half of the season (2-6 record, 116.5 PPG in first 8 games). But they exploded in the 2nd half of the season, **leading the league in points over the last 7 games (6-1 record, 127.5 PPG)**
 - *Points Allowed:* Gee Whiz had the toughest schedule in the first eight games, conceding 124.4 per game. **However, Gee Whiz had the second-easiest schedule in the league over the last 7 games (allowing only 100.3 PPG)**

Points Scored, 1st vs. 2nd Half				
Team Name	Owner	PPG (Weeks 1-8)	PPG (Weeks 9-15)	Diff
Sackwash Lyfe	Tommy	127.16	116.61	-10.55
Brady really was washed...	Will	121.91	121.47	-0.44
Gee Whiz Darnell	Brenton	116.49	127.45	10.96
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	126.79	112.61	-14.18
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	Kevin	120.54	119.30	-1.24
Schmaap	Burnett/Jasjaap	111.47	115.47	4.00
2 Movin' 2 Up	Todd	115.25	108.60	-6.65
GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	105.94	106.89	0.96
Pierogi Night	Mike	107.79	104.53	-3.26
Alternative Hypothesis	Eli	100.09	112.51	12.42
Herbin Legends	Brand	94.59	115.18	20.59
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	Cam	100.66	104.92	4.26

Trends in Points Against, 1st vs. 2nd Half				
Owner	Team Name	Avg. PA, First 8 Weeks	Avg. PA, Last 7 Weeks	Diff
Brenton	Gee Whiz Darnell	124.38	100.34	24.04
Will	Brady really was washed...	114.73	111.86	2.87
Tommy	Sackwash Lyfe	112.06	116.95	-4.90
Kevin	PurpleVector Reunion Tour	107.90	118.87	-10.97
Jay	Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	109.06	109.84	-0.78
Todd	2 Movin' 2 Up	106.43	114.08	-7.65
Cam	Pay Dirt & Pylons III	115.46	112.39	3.07
Brand	Herbin Legends	108.60	113.39	-4.80
Eli	Alternative Hypothesis	111.87	113.63	-1.77
Mike	Pierogi Night	116.00	141.37	-25.37
Burnett/Jasjaap	Schmaap	118.56	100.31	18.25
Schulwolf	GOBias Industries	103.63	112.49	-8.87

Poor Mike...allowing 141.4 PPG in the final seven weeks!

Sackwash Lyfe: Another Playoff Choke

- Sackwash Lyfe led the league in points in the regular season, scoring 122.2 PPG
- Sackwash Lyfe was the true definition of a “studs and duds” team
 - Studs: Christian McCaffrey (#1 RB), Jalen Hurts (#2 QB), TJ Hockenson (#4 TE)
 - Duds: the WRs were underwhelming: Rashee Rice (#27), Jaylen Waddle (#34), Curtis Samuel (#44)
 - McCaffrey was absolutely dominant, scoring 357.80 half-PPR points, 102 points above the #2 RB (Raheem Mostert). The gap between the #1 and #2 RB was as large as the gap between #2 and #30!
- After a juggernaut regular season, Sackwash Lyfe ran out of gas in the playoffs, mustering just 90 points in the semifinals and 88 points in the 3rd place game.

- Tommy still hasn't won a title, despite having the second-most playoff appearances in league history (5). His playoff record is 1-5 (semifinals and finals only).

Playoff Records by Manager (2012-2023)				
(only counting Semifinals and Finals)				
Owner	Appearances	Titles	W-L	Win %
Will	8	2	5-6	45%
Tommy	5	0	1-5	17%
Codola	4	1	3-3	50%
Eli	4	0	2-4	33%
Brenton	3	1	3-2	60%
Burnett	3	0	2-3	40%
Cam	3	1	2-2	50%
Jay	3	2	5-1	83%
Schulwolf	3	2	4-1	80%
Todd	3	1	3-2	60%
Jasjaap	2	0	1-2	33%
Kevin	2	1	2-1	67%
Mike	2	1	3-1	75%
Brand	2	0	0-2	0%
Juleon	1	0	0-1	0%

PurpleVector Reunion Tour: The Regular Season Champ

- PurpleVector Reunion Tour went 12-3 this season, **becoming just the 5th team in league history to win 11+ games in the regular season.**
- From Weeks 4-14, PurpleVector Reunion Tour was a model of consistency, scoring over 110 points in 11 straight weeks! (Average of 130.8 PPG in that span).
- From Weeks 15-17, PurpleVector Reunion Tour was a model of inconsistency
 - Week 15: 61.96 points, the lowest of any team this season
 - Week 16: 152.58 points in an unlucky semifinal loss. This is the highest point total ever recorded by a losing team in the PPR era.
 - Week 17: 92.66 points to eke out a 3rd place victory.
- PurpleVector Reunion Tour's biggest playmakers were Tyreek Hill (#2 WR) and Josh Allen (#1 QB). I believe this is the second straight year Tyreek Hill was auto-drafted.

Teams with +11 Wins, Regular Season					
Team	Owner	Year	Record	Win %	Title?
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	Kevin	2023	12-3	80%	No
Jasjaap's Primo Team	Jasjaap	2021	12-3	80%	No
GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	2017	12-2	86%	Yes
Schmop	Burnett	2016	12-2	86%	No
Herbin Legends	Brand	2012	12-2	86%	No

Mr. Fans Noodle Haus: Unlucky to Miss Playoffs

- Mr. Fans Noodle Haus had a strong season, finishing with 120.17 PPG (+7.1 above league average).
- Mr. Fan was excellent until Week 11, going 7-3 and averaging 128.17 PPG in their first 10 games.
- Mr. Fan was undone by a 4-game losing streak from Weeks 11-14 to fall to 7-7.
 - Mr. Fan posted fewer than 100 points in the first three losses (Weeks 11-13). Prior to the losing streak, Mr. Fan had scored over 100 points in each of their first 10 games.
 - Mr. Fan had the misfortune of rostering Travis Kelce and Stefon Diggs; two stars who faded badly late in the season.
- Based on "PPG above League Baseline", Mr. Fan's Noodle Haus was the 9th best non-playoff team in league history.

Best Non-Playoff Teams (96 eligible teams, 2012-2023)					
Team Name	Owner	Year	Total	PPG	PPG over Baseline
Schmop	Burnett	2020	1586.02	113.29	12.39
JaBlackus Russell	Mike	2012	1527.62	109.12	11.34
Brother Omega	Brenton	2017	1433.82	102.42	9.02
Schmop	Burnett	2012	1490.32	106.45	8.68
Turban Legends	Brand	2015	1473.04	105.22	8.55
GoBias Industries	Schulwolf	2018	1537.26	109.80	8.51
Dak to Dak	Mike	2021	1807.58	120.51	7.69
GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	2022	1772.40	118.16	7.34
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	2023	1802.54	120.17	7.13
Burnett = Microdong	Mike	2017	1404.16	100.30	6.90

Point Differential between 4th and 5th Place Teams (Margin only calculated when the teams finished with Identical records)			
Year	4th Place	5th Place	Points Margin
2023	Gee Whiz Darnell	Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	21.58
2022	Movin' On Up	PurpleVector Reunion Tour	13.28
2021	Brady = Washed Up III	Gee Whiz Darnell	66.98
2020	Sackwash Lyfe	Schmop	3.48
2019	Shiva Volodarskaya	Burnett = Microdong	18.90
2018	Schmop	Gee Whiz Darnell	N/A
2017	Peyton Teabag Party	Brother Omega	N/A
2016	Jasjaap's Primo Team	Oh Crud. David Brand	N/A
2015	EBDB Vinegar Strokes	Gee Whiz Darnell	126.16
2014	Schmop	WMA	60.86
2013	Herbin Legends	Tynes of Blow	N/A
2012	HOLDmyDIIIIICK	ArchersOfLoafcrosse	123.26

Pay Dirt & Pylons III: The Defending 5th Place "Champion"

- Pay Dirt & Pylons III had a challenging season, finishing last in regular season scoring (102.65 PPG).
- The nadir for Pay Dirt & Pylons III was a three game stretch (Weeks 8-10) in which they lost three straight games by over +60 points (68.42-176.86 to Will, 84.92-150.90 to Jay, 83.28-146.82 to Tommy).
- But Pay Dirt turned their season around after starting 4-7, winning their last 6 games (four in regular season, two in the 5-8 consolation bracket).

5th Place Recipients (since \$10 Payout was introduced)	
Year	Team
2020	Gee Whiz Darnell
2021	Gee Whiz Darnell
2022	Pay Dirt & Pylons II
2023	Pay Dirt & Pylons III

Herbin Legends: Second Half Recovery

- Herbin Legends looked like one of the worst teams in league history in the first half of the season, **averaging only 94.59 points per game in their first eight games (-17.8 PPG below league average, fifth-worst in league history after eight games)**
- However, Herbin Legends improved dramatically down the home stretch and averaged 115.18 PPG over the last 7 weeks, going 6-1 in that period.
 - The 20 point improvement in PPG was the 2nd best in the 15-game era (2021-2023), only behind the Jonathan Taylor powered Dak to Dak squad in 2021.

Worst Starts, First 8 Games					
Team Name	Owner	Year	PPG	Baseline PPG	PPG vs. Baseline
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	2021	90.96	115.98	-25.02
Rudy's Revengencers	Osborn	2013	78.12	101.19	-23.08
Shiva Volodarskaya	Todd	2017	69.59	91.32	-21.73
Radical Shizzlam	Kevin	2018	81.81	102.91	-21.11
Herbin Legends	Brand	2023	94.59	112.39	-17.80
Champagne or Bust	Eli	2021	98.66	115.98	-17.33
GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	2020	87.45	103.69	-16.24
Schmop	Burnett	2022	96.28	111.33	-15.06
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	2019	88.83	103.54	-14.71
Watch Me Pey Pey	Will	2015	83.77	98.28	-14.51

Top Midseason Turnarounds, 15-Game Era (2021-2023)					
Team Name	Owner	Year	PPG (Weeks 1-8)	PPG (Weeks 9-15)	Diff
Dak to Dak	Mike	2021	106.97	135.97	29.00
Herbin Legends	Brand	2023	94.59	115.18	20.59
Pierogi Night	Mike	2022	107.54	120.95	13.41
Schmop	Burnett	2022	96.28	109.04	12.77
Alternative Hypothesis	Eli	2023	100.09	112.51	12.42
Gee Whiz Darnell	Brenton	2023	116.49	127.45	10.96
Sackwash Lyfe	Tommy	2021	103.27	111.97	8.70
Brady = Washed Up IV	Will	2022	113.00	120.47	7.47
Movin' On Up	Todd	2022	106.80	114.15	7.35
Jasjaap's Primo Team	Jasjaap	2021	118.65	124.86	6.22

- Brand hasn't qualified for the DKEHeads playoffs since 2013 (a full decade of mediocrity after making the playoffs in 2012 and 2013).

The Schmaap Experiment

- Despite lurking in the Sacko race for most of the season, Schmaap's underlying metrics were solid.
- Schmaap finished 6th in the league in points (113.34 PPG), right around the league average of 113.04 PPG.
- **Schmaap led the league in points at the end of Week 3** (131.5 PPG) on the strength of back-to-back +150 point performances in Weeks 2-3.
- However, Schmaap followed this early success with a 68-point clunker in Week 4.
 - The 90 point drop from Week 3 (158 pts) to Week 4 (68 pts) was the biggest week-to-week drop of any team this season.
- From 2021-2023, Schmop/Schmaap has gone 16-28-1 (.367), finishing 10th place or below in each of those seasons.

Pierogi Nightmare

- Pierogi Night had an underwhelming squad, but the biggest reason for their demise was a horrible "defense"
- Pierogi Night allowed over 1900 points in the regular season (**an average of 127 points allowed per game**).
 - It's the most points conceded by a team in league history, and the 3rd-most unlucky season after adjusting for 0.5 PPR and 15-game season.
 - **Every other team in DKEHeads this season conceded between 107-115 points per game.** Pierogi Night was truly an outlier.
- Pierogi Night ended the season with \$99 in FAAB available. Shocking negligence with such a weak squad.
- Pierogi Night surprisingly started the season 2-0 (defying Yahoo's projections of a 0-15 season), but went 2-11 the rest of the way.

Teams with Highest Points per Game Allowed (PPGA)						
Team	Owner	Year	Points Against	PPGA	Baseline PPGA	PPGA vs. Baseline
Lesean Hara	Eli	2019	1644.92	117.49	100.80	16.70
Turban Legends	Brand	2015	1581.34	112.95	96.67	16.28
Pierogi Night	Mike	2023	1917.56	127.84	113.04	14.79
Taco's #1 Guest Bong	Cam	2015	1526.70	109.05	96.67	12.38
Sackwash Lyfe	Tommy	2022	1828.24	121.88	110.82	11.06
GOBias Industries	Wolf	2020	1566.84	111.92	100.90	11.02
Herbin Legends	Brand/Kevin	2021	1849.94	123.33	112.81	10.52
Radical Shizzlam	Kevin	2016	1471.36	105.10	96.00	9.10
Someone Has To Lose	Tommy	2015	1475.98	105.43	96.67	8.76
TheMarathonContinues	Cam	2019	1530.22	109.30	100.80	8.51

2023 Teams by PPGA				
Team Name	Owner	Points Against	PPGA	PPGA vs. Baseline
Pierogi Night	Mike	1917.56	127.84	14.79
Sackwash Lyfe	Tommy	1715.12	114.34	1.30
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	Cam	1710.36	114.02	0.98
Brady was Washed Up...	Will	1700.80	113.39	0.34
Gee Whiz Darnell	Brenton	1697.44	113.16	0.12
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	Kevin	1695.34	113.02	-0.02
Alternative Hypothesis	Eli	1690.34	112.69	-0.35
Herbin Legends	Brand	1662.50	110.83	-2.21
Schmaap	Burnett/Jasjaap	1650.62	110.04	-3.00
2 Movin' 2 Up	Todd	1649.98	110.00	-3.05
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	1641.40	109.43	-3.62
GOBias Industries	Wolf	1616.48	107.77	-5.28

The Other Teams

- **2 Movin' 2 Up** had a decent but unremarkable season, finishing right around the league average with 112 PPG.
 - 2 Movin' 2 Up looked like a contender early in the season (126 PPG in first 3 games), but was undone by an injury to Justin Jefferson and questionable waiver wire spending (\$45 on Joshua Kelley after Week 1).
- **GOBias Industries** was the DKEHeads version of the Atlanta Falcons this season, lingering in the playoff race until Week 15 despite a mediocre campaign (106.4 PPG, -6.6 points below league average).
- **Alternative Hypothesis** was terrible in the first half of the season (scoring over 100 points only twice in the first 9 games), but was actually solid down the stretch (117.7 PPG over the last 6 games).

Parity Again in 2023

- While a gap emerged between the top 5 teams and the bottom 5 teams (in terms of scoring), the league was fairly balanced in 2023.
- There were no historically good or historically bad teams.
 - The top-scoring team (Sackwash Lyfe, 122.23 PPG) was only the 16th best team in DKEHeads history (+9.2 PPG above baseline).
 - The lowest-scoring team (Pay Dirt & Pylons III, 102.65 PPG) was the 15th worst team in history (-10.4 PPG below baseline). Poor, but not historically bad.

Best Teams in League History (PPG vs. Baseline)					
Rank	Team Name	Owner	Year	PPG	PPG Above Baseline
1	GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	2017	115.69	22.29
2	Radical Shizzlam	Kevin	2016	112.81	16.81
3	Sackwash Lyfe	Tommy	2019	115.90	15.11
4	Brady Washed Up II	Will	2020	115.24	14.34
5	E.V.I.L.	Tommy	2014	111.56	13.94
6	Pay Dirt and Pylons	Cam	2021	126.11	13.30
7	The Comeback Kid	Codola	2013	112.53	13.09
8	Sackwash Lyfe	Tommy	2020	113.54	12.63
9	Schmop	Burnett	2020	113.29	12.39
10	Herbin Legends	Brand	2012	109.34	11.56
16	Sackwash Lyfe	Tommy	2023	122.23	9.19

5 of the top 8 teams listed above won the DKEHeads trophy. The 3 teams in the top 8 that didn't win it all? They all belonged to Tommy (2014, 2019, 2020). The only non-playoff team on this list is Schmop (2020).

Worst Teams in League History (PPG vs. Baseline)					
Rank	Team Name	Owner	Year	PPG	PPG Above Baseline
1	Rudy's Revengencers	Osborn	2013	72.55	-26.88
2	Shiva Volodarskaya	Todd	2017	71.22	-22.18
3	Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jay	2021	92.13	-20.69
4	Yes	Lerner	2012	78.63	-19.14
5	Radical Shizzlam	Kevin	2018	82.39	-18.91
6	GOBias Industries	Schulwolf	2020	82.72	-18.19
7	Jasjaap's Primo Team	Jasjaap	2016	80.89	-15.11
8	Champagne or Bust	Eli	2021	98.68	-14.14
9	Someone Has to Lose	Tommy	2015	83.34	-13.33
10	Jasjaap's Primo Team	Jasjaap	2017	80.76	-12.64
15	Pay Dirt & Pylons III	Cam	2023	102.65	-10.40

- 2023 had more parity than other seasons
 - **Gap in PPG between top and bottom team: 2nd smallest in league history** (19.58 pts), second only to 2022. (Sackwash Lyfe at 122.23 vs. Pay Dirt & Pylons III at 102.65).
 - **Standard Deviation in PPG: 7.7 points; 5th lowest in 12 seasons.** In overly simplified terms, this metric essentially says that the average team's point total was 7.7 points away from the league baseline of 113 PPG.

Variance in PPG Scoring by Year		
Year	Std Dev	Range (Max-Min)
2023	7.7	19.6
2022	5.7	16.3
2021	10.0	34.0
2020	9.8	32.5
2019	7.1	25.2
2018	8.7	29.1
2017	11.6	44.5
2016	8.5	31.9
2015	7.2	24.8
2014	7.3	26.2
2013	10.2	40.0
2012	9.4	30.7

Std Dev: the average distance to the mean
(113.0 PPG this year)

Range: the distance between the maximum and
minimum PPG (118.2 and 101.8 this year)

The conclusions from the table to the left are:

- There were no historically good or bad teams in 2023 (explains **very low** value in Range column)
- There were distinct clusters of good and bad teams, but the gap between these clusters was not enormous. (explains **medium-to-low** value in the Std Dev column)

Season Simulations (Expected Win-Loss)

- This section calculates the Expected Win-Loss record of each team, as well as determining how much each team deserved to i) make the playoffs or ii) “earn” the Sacko (12th place).
- I ran 100,000 simulations of the season (randomizing matchups from Weeks 12-15 to adjust for strength-of-schedule).

Season Simulations (Random Model)										
Team	Expected Wins	Expected Losses	Actual Record	Total Points	Playoffs (% of sims)	Top (% of sims)	Sacko (% of sims)	Avg. Place	Diff. Wins (Act-Exp)	
Sackwash Lyfe	9.4	5.7	8-7	1833.52	69%	22%	0%	3.6	-1.4	
Brady really was washed...	9.2	5.8	8-7	1825.54	66%	20%	0%	3.8	-1.2	
Gee Whiz Darnell	9.2	5.8	8-7	1824.12	66%	20%	0%	3.8	-1.2	
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	8.9	6.1	8-7	1802.54	59%	15%	1%	4.2	-0.9	
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	8.9	6.1	12-3	1799.38	58%	14%	1%	4.3	3.1	
Schmaap	7.6	7.5	6-9	1700.04	27%	4%	3%	6.4	-1.6	
2 Movin' 2 Up	7.3	7.7	7-8	1682.16	23%	3%	4%	6.8	-0.3	
GOBias Industries	6.2	8.8	7-8	1595.72	8%	1%	14%	8.6	0.8	
Pierogi Night	6.1	8.9	4-11	1594.06	8%	1%	14%	8.7	-2.1	
Alternative Hypothesis	6.1	8.9	6-9	1588.26	7%	1%	15%	8.8	-0.1	
Herbin Legends	5.7	9.3	8-7	1562.92	5%	0%	21%	9.3	2.3	
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	5.4	9.6	8-7	1539.68	4%	0%	27%	9.7	2.6	

In last column, **orange** = unlucky and **blue** = lucky

Notes on Simulations

- This was a rare season when all 4 playoff teams deserved to qualify for the postseason.
- **Mr. Fans Noodle Haus** made the playoffs in 59% of simulations, but was unlucky not to qualify in real life.
- While **PurpleVector Reunion Tour** deserved a playoff spot and won 12 games, they outperformed its expected W-L by 3 wins. (Highest overachieving in the PPR era).

- **Herbin Legends** and **Pay Dirt & Pylons III** were also lucky, outperforming their expected W-L by 2.5 wins. Both teams finished 8-7 despite being the two-lowest scoring teams in the league.
- **Pierogi Night** was the unluckiest team in the league. They were projected to go 6-9 but went 4-11 in real life.

H2H Matchups

For this year's report, I started tracking H2H matchups dating back to 2021 (PPR era). Some highlights:

- **Eli's "Hypothesis" teams have gone 5-0 vs. Gee Whiz Darnell since 2022**
 - 3 of the 5 losses were by fewer than 5 points, but this is still humiliating.
- **Gee Whiz Darnell is 3-0 vs. Schmop/Schmaap since 2021.** Suck it, Slimefoot.
 - Brand, Todd, and Kevin are also 3-0 vs. Schmop/Schmaap since 2021. Schmaap have a lot of scores to settle next year!
- **Schmop/Schmaap is 4-0 vs. Eli since 2021.** The transitive property does not apply to fantasy football.
- **Kevin's teams are 6-0 vs. Sackwash Lyfe since 2021.**
- **Todd's teams are 4-0 vs. Mr. Fans Noodle Haus since 2021** (not counting the 5-8 consolation bracket results).
- **Sackwash Lyfe is 4-0 against Eli's teams since 2021.**

Win Probability by Points Scored, 2021-2023

Just some interesting data. To feel confident about winning in 0.5 PPR, your team generally needs to score over 110 points.

Win Probability by Points Scored (2021-2023)			
Point Range	Wins	Losses	Win Percentage
Less than 80	0	38	0%
80-90	7	55	11%
90-100	16	60	21%
100-110	34	57	37%
110-120	54	39	58%
120-130	63	20	76%
130-140	38	9	81%
140-150	33	3	92%
150 and above	37	1	97%

FAAB and Waiver Wire Analysis

- **Many of the biggest FAAB acquisitions did not pan out**
 - De'Von Achane (\$80) was wildly inconsistent and injury-prone
 - Joshua Kelley (\$45) struggled mightily in relief of Austin Ekeler
 - Michael Thomas (\$35) seemed like a good pickup, but couldn't stay healthy.
 - See full list below. Definitely more misses than hits.
- **The best pickups included:**
 - Jerome Ford (Mr Fans Noodle Haus, \$63)
 - Puka Nacua (Gee Whiz Darnell, \$19)
 - C.J. Stroud (Schmaap, \$8)
 - Kyren Williams (Gee Whiz Darnell, \$7)
 - Tank Dell (GOBias Industries, \$5)
 - Jayden Reed (Herbin Legends, \$0)
 - Trey McBride (Brady really was washed, \$0; traded for Joe Mixon)

FAAB Bids over \$10				
Team	Player	Amount	Secondary Offer	Week
Herbin Legends	De'Von Achane	\$80	\$63	3
Schmaap	Jake Browning	\$70	\$5	14
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jerome Ford	\$63	\$53	2
2 Movin' 2 Up	Joshua Kelley	\$45	\$6	1
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	Michael Thomas	\$35	\$11	8
GOBias Industries	Emari Demercado	\$32	\$25	5
Brady really was washed...	Noah Brown	\$30	\$17	10
Sackwash Lyfe	Jaleel McLaughlin	\$26	\$19	4
Alternative Hypothesis	Keaton Mitchell	\$23	\$0	9
2 Movin' 2 Up	Cleveland D/ST	\$21	\$4	6
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	Joshua Palmer	\$20	\$14	3
GOBias Industries	Jeff Wilson Jr.	\$20	\$11	5
Gee Whiz Darnell	Zach Evans	\$20	\$15	6
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	Zack Moss	\$20	\$0	10
Schmaap	Cincinnati D/ST	\$20	\$1	14
Gee Whiz Darnell	Puka Nacua	\$19	\$11	1
GOBias Industries	K.J. Osborn	\$19	\$2	5
2 Movin' 2 Up	Ty Chandler	\$17	\$9	10
Gee Whiz Darnell	Sam Howell	\$16	\$0	9
Alternative Hypothesis	Michael Wilson	\$15	\$8	4
Alternative Hypothesis	Ty Chandler	\$13	\$9	14
Pay Dirt & Pylons III	Taysom Hill	\$12	\$0	7
2 Movin' 2 Up	Taysom Hill	\$12	\$9	8
Alternative Hypothesis	Logan Thomas	\$11	\$0	5
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Justice Hill	\$10	\$7	1
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Rashid Shaheed	\$10	\$8	1
Mr. Fans Noodle Haus	Jordan Mason	\$10	\$9	6
Herbin Legends	Jordan Love	\$10	\$0	7
Brady really was washed...	Will Levis	\$10	\$0	8
PurpleVector Reunion Tour	Russell Wilson	\$10	\$0	12
Sackwash Lyfe	Jerry Jeudy	\$10	\$0	13
Sackwash Lyfe	Chicago D/ST	\$10	\$0	15

Other Notable Pickups				
Team	Player	Amount	Secondary Offer	Week
Alternative Hypothesis	Isaiah Likely	\$9	\$2	11
Schmaap	C.J. Stroud	\$8	\$5	3
Gee Whiz Darnell	Kyren Williams	\$7	\$6	1
GOBias Industries	Tank Dell	\$5	\$0	2
Brady really was washed...	Trey McBride	\$0	\$0	8
Pay Dirt & Pylons	Brandin Cooks	\$0	\$0	6
Herbin Legends	Jayden Reed	\$0	\$0	2
Gee Whiz Darnell	Gus Edwards	\$0	\$0	0
Herbin Legends	Jake Ferguson	\$0	\$0	1

- Bizarrely, Taysom Hill was acquired for \$12 twice in the span of 7 days
 - Pay Dirt & Pylons III paid \$12 on 10/25...only to drop him a few days later
 - 2 Movin' 2 Up paid \$12 on 11/1
- Quentin Johnston was acquired by 5 different teams in 2023.
 - Sackwash Lyfe (8/27 - 9/20), Herbin Legends (9/27 - 10/18), Pierogi Night (11/5 - 11/15), Gee Whiz Darnell (11/18 - 11/22), Alternative Hypothesis (12/10 -)
 - You would think a 1st round WR on a WR-depleted team would be excellent in fantasy, but "Quge" has been a complete bust. What were the Chargers thinking?