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## ETHICS QUESTIONS SURROUND WEEK ONE WALLOPING

SUNNY DAY  
CHUCK DOWNFIELD

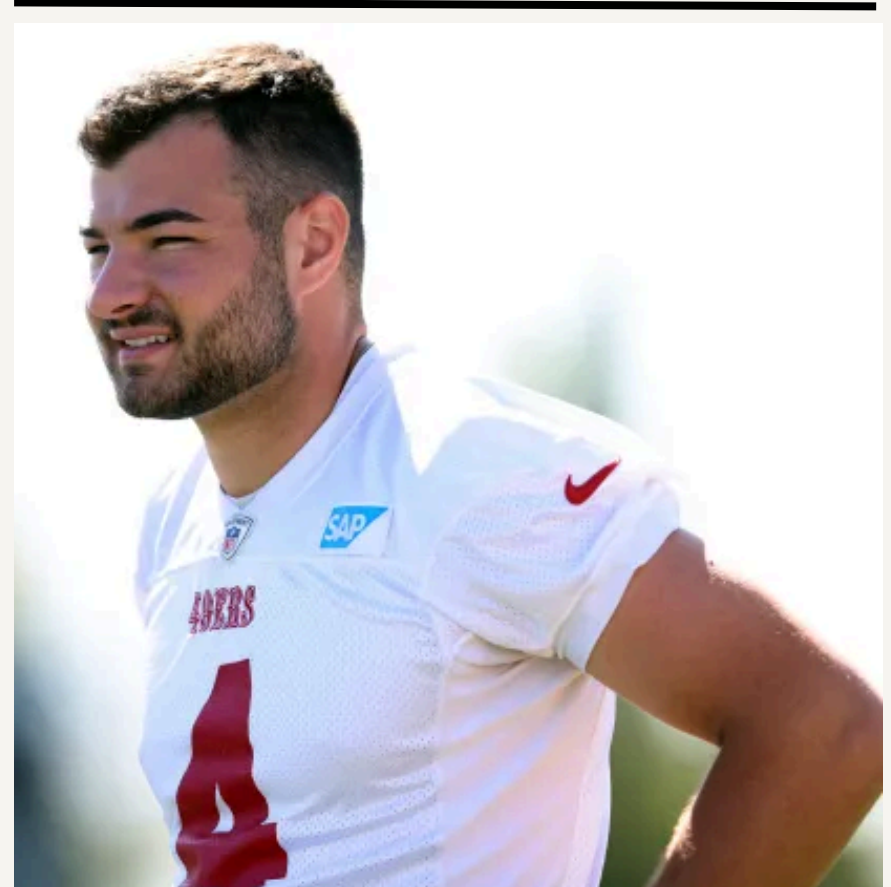
Four matchups in the first week of the ASFL's inaugural season were relatively competitive, felt like they could go either way at times, and were ultimately decided by fewer than twenty points. The fifth matchup was Jasmine's Fav defeating Max the Manx in a completely lopsided rout reminiscent of the blitzkrieg of 1939. A whopping 66 points separated Alan's team from Beth's team when the dust settled. League commissioner Daniel Tribble has faced criticism for choosing not to implement a mercy rule. "Parity between teams in the ASFL is something we hope will improve with time," he said at a press conference on Tuesday. "If it doesn't, the league may consider implementing a promotion and relegation system." This solution would be unworkable with the current number of franchises.

Asked if he had any regrets about running up the score, Alan replied, "Absolutely not, this is a tough league and nobody should expect to have an easy time no matter what field they're on." Though fans of Max the Manx protested the unnecessarily brutal treatment of their team, Beth struck a calmer tone, saying, "I just hope my guys had fun out there."

### MCCAFFREY MISSING, MOODY MANAGES

Drama struck last week's matchup between Gus and The Spidermen when star running back Christian McCaffrey (GUS) was reported inactive just before game time. "I just wanted to give my calf another week to fully heal, so I can be at the top of my game," said McCaffrey, his eyes nervously looking around the room.

However, manager Coren Hucke revealed that the real reason for McCaffrey's absence was his crippling fear of spiders. "He got one look at Sam's team warming up on the field and his face just went completely white," he said at the post-game press conference. Luckily for team Gus, kicker Jake Moody arrived with a box of tissues and a smile. "I'll go take care of those scary spiders, coach!" he yelled gleefully at the start of the game. Moody led his team to a win while McCaffrey curled up in a ball in the locker room.
















Jake Moody (GUS) was 6/6 on field goals Monday night. He was also 10/10 on handsomeness.

# Featured Matchup: Jasmine's Fav @ Drop It Like It's Sl(h)ot

Week 2 of ASFL action will feature the league's first ever international game, as Drop It Like It's Sl(h)ot hosts Jasmine's Fav in Liverpool, England. Both teams are coming off of strong Week 1 wins. Alan's team will reportedly fly across the Atlantic on Wednesday night to have some time to adjust to the time difference. When Daniel was asked about his team's strategy for the game, he said "We'll probably start off with a classic 4-4-2, but things could change at halftime." It wasn't immediately clear if he knew which kind of football is played in the ASFL.

## League Standings

Rank	Team	Record	Next Week
1.	 Jasmine's Fav	1-0	@ DLS
2.	 The Girly Pops	1-0	vs. 
3.	 Gus	1-0	@ 69
4.	 Drop It Like It's Sl(h)ot	1-0	vs. JF
5.	 The Guv'ment	1-0	vs. DEB
6.	 The Spidermen	0-1	vs. M
7.	 	0-1	@ GPOP
8.	 Dawn's Boys 	0-1	@ GUV
9.	 The 69ners	0-1	vs. GUS
10.	 Max the Manx	0-1	@ SPID