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## GUS GETS GUTTED

SUNNY DAY  
CHUCK DOWNFIELD

Though it may be customary in some cultures to take it easy on a weaker opponent, neither the United States military nor Melanie Shayer's Salute Emoji team are known for such restraint. Salute Emoji defeated Coren Hucke's team Gus this week in one of the most lopsided games of the ASFL season, second only to Jasmine's Fav's week 1 clown show against Max the Manx. After losing in week 1, Melanie's team has gone on a three-week rampage, defeating all three opponents by a margin of over 35 points. Last week, facing a team barely held together by medical tape, five Salute Emoji players scored higher than the highest-scoring player on team Gus. Hucke's roster was so depleted by injuries that he was forced to sign several last-minute

substitute players, including Bucky Irving, whose name sounds like that kid who was always hanging out at the corner store in your hometown. "Bucky was that kid who was always hanging out at the corner store in my hometown," explained Hucke, "and given the circumstances, I think he did a great job. We just need to get some of our other guys healthy again," while dialing his ayahuasca dealer. Shayer struck a different tone, saying, "Bucky is lucky we didn't send him home with an injury too. It doesn't matter, Coren could send out a team of newborn puppies, we'd still crush them."

### NO TANKS

Fans of the ASFL may grow attached to the big-name stars playing for their favorite teams, but most fans don't know the name of every second-tier bench player.

This week, the ASFL lost two players who share the same unusual first name to free agency. Tank Dell (formerly GUS) and Tank Bigsby (formerly LOST) were cut from their rosters when league commissioner Daniel Tribble clarified that ASFL rosters are strictly infantry and cavalry only, and teams are not allowed to use artillery. Dell and Bigsby have reportedly joined the fighting in Ukraine, on opposite sides of the front.












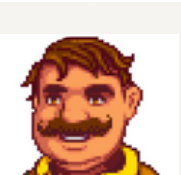
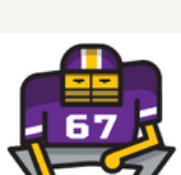


*Tank and Tank are where they belong, roaming free with the other tanks.*

# Featured Doubleheader: DLS @ GUV & GUS @ GPOP

In a cosmically unlikely coincidence, two pairs of managers facing off this week have recently encountered each other in real life. Drop It Like It's Sl(h)ot manager Daniel Tribble and The Guv'ment manager Matt Tribble had a run-in at a local Tex-Mex restaurant in West Des Moines, IA. Separately, Gus manager Coren Hucke and Girly Pops manager Kaitlyn Vasey met up at a wine bar in Cleveland, OH. It's almost certain that all four of these managers took the opportunity to get in their opponent's head, and both matchups should result in fireworks.

## League Standings

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