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A SERIOUS FOOTBALL LEAGUE, RENEWED AND EXPANDED

SUNNY DAY
CHUCK DOWNFIELD

Football fans across the globe are gearing up for another season of sporting action from A Serious Football League. After last year's smashing success, the league is back for another season, and this one will be bigger and better than ever. This summer, ASFL Commissioner Daniel Tribble announced that the league would be adding two expansion teams, bringing the total to an even dozen. "We're excited to have the league tapping into some new markets, like the Greater Waterloo-Cedar Falls Metro Area" he said at a press conference. Twelve managers participated in a draft on Monday, September 1st, and have

had just a few days to get their teams prepared for kickoff. See page 2 of this issue to learn a bit about the characters who will drive this year's action.

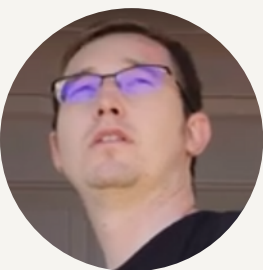
OBJ IS DOA

The draft-day dust had barely settled when the first roster drama of the season shook the league. Team Transient, Shifting Like Water, had used their last-round pick of the draft to select Odell Beckham, Jr., but he was released by team manager Sam Shayer in less than a day. "I'm a big believer in the importance of having positive influences in the locker room," said Shayer in comments to the press after practice. "I picked



The graphic designer from Issue #001 was brought back to life, like Lazarus, to redesign the ASFL logo with two more stars to reflect the new teams. Then he was once again taken behind the league office and shot. Time is a flat circle.

OBJ to be our team's first male cheerleader. He took issue with that plan and therefore we mutually agreed to part ways." Candidates interested in the male cheerleader opening can reach Shayer at 319-961-5423 to apply.



Experts love the look of **Matt Tribble's** team, **Disc Golf Lazarus**, after the draft. Matt has rebranded after last year's unlucky end, taking inspiration from his life and the Holy Bible to create a team he hopes will be raised from the dead. Check out the Gospel of John for more!



Kris Burney, manager of last year's last place team, has renamed his team **The Burney Bakery**. Quarterback Baker Mayfield was excited about the change in name, but not as excited as he was about his new recipe for gluten-free, allergen-free, dairy-free scotcheroos.



Beth Tribble returns this year as the manager of **Max the Manx**, and fans from last year might recognize a couple of mainstays on her roster as well. She's hoping the same strategy as last year will somehow yield better results this time.



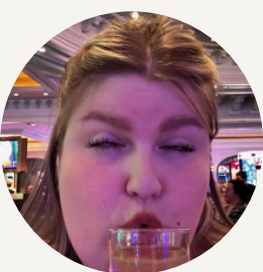
Sam Shayer flirted with nihilism last year managing "All Hope Is Lost." This season he takes his philosophical journey even further, with an attempt to answer the age-old question: is the natural state of the soul quiet, or chaos? It's **Transient, Shifting Like Water**.



The Tribble coaching tree family patriarch **Alan Tribble** is once again at the helm of **Jasmine's Fav** this season. Alan will be the first manager in ASFL history to manage his team from a different time zone.



Disc golf YouTuber **Aaron DeSantiago** joins the league this year as the manager of team **Missy Gannon Buhr**, named after the #1 competitor in the MFPO field of professional disc golf. Aaron is hoping to teach quarterback Bo Nix how to utilize an anhyzer release angle.



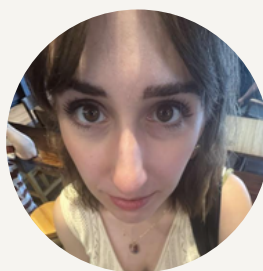
Kaitlyn Vasey was last season's runner-up as manager of **The Girly Pops**, and this year she's running it back with team captain Josh Allen. This time Josh will be wearing more makeup and sparkly jewelry.



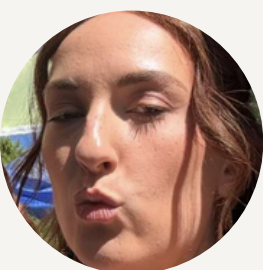
Coren Huckle has a new team this season called **Coren's Wet Supermen**. The Supermen are excited to bring back star running back Christian McCaffery, whose recent physical suggests everything will be fine this time. Stop asking.



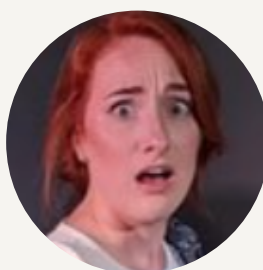
The lowest-ranked of the Tribbles at the start of this season is **Daniel Tribble**, manager of the newly renamed team **Gundy Night Football**. Daniel insists his role as league commissioner won't be a conflict of interest because he doesn't find it interesting.



The league's second expansion team this season will be led by **Mallory DeSantiago**, visible on scoreboards as **Malpal's Boytoys** 🙄. Mallory's team consists of an elite unit of athletes with the most cool-sounding names in the business.



Dawn Burney is building from the ground up with her new team, **Dawn's Early Lightnings**. Francis Scott Key was unavailable for comment on the new team name because he is in Maryland, and has been dead since 1843.



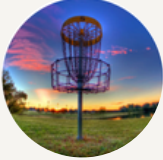



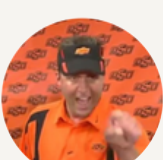
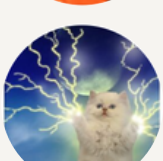
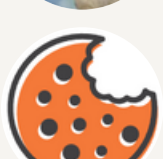
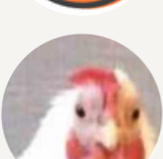
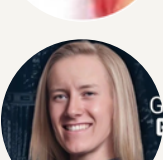
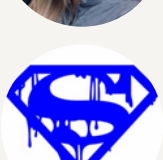
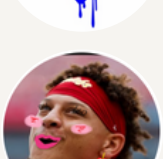
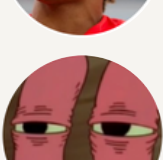
Last year's champion manager, **Melanie Shayer**, hopes to go back-to-back with her new squad **Smelly Team That Smells Smelly**. When asked about her new team name, she said, "It's a Spongebob reference Coren, you wouldn't get it."

Featured Matchup: Gundy Night Football @ Smelly Team That Smells Smelly

This year the defending champion St. Paul, Minnesota, next to the hosts the league commissioner’s team Sanimax rendering plant. “The odor in Week 1. Daniel Tribble’s team Gundy Night Football will travel to Your Mom’s House to take on Melanie Shayer’s Smelly Team That Smells Smelly. Construction on the new stadium finished this summer in South

St. Paul, Minnesota, next to the Sanimax rendering plant. “The odor doesn’t bother us,” said Shayer, “we treat it as a home-field advantage, like mountain teams being conditioned to play at elevation.” Tribble had no comment but he did have a large binder clip pinned over his nostrils.

League Standings

| <u>Rank</u> | | <u>Team</u> | <u>Record</u> | <u>Next Week</u> |
|-------------|---|--------------------------------|---------------|------------------|
| 1. |  | Disc Golf Lazarus | 0-0 | vs. BAKE |
| 2. |  | Max the Manx | 0-0 | @ WET |
| 3. |  | Jasmine’s Fav | 0-0 | @ TSW |
| 4. |  | The Girly Pops | 0-0 | vs. MGB |
| 5. |  | Gundy Night Football | 0-0 | @ SMEL |
| 6. |  | Dawn’s Early Lightnings | 0-0 | @ MPBT |
| 7. |  | The Burney Bakery | 0-0 | @ DGL |
| 8. |  | Transient, Shifting Like Water | 0-0 | vs. JF |
| 9. |  | Missy Gannon Buhr | 0-0 | @ GPOP |
| 10. |  | Coren’s Wet Supermen | 0-0 | vs. M |
| 11. |  | Malpal’s Boytoys 🤔 | 0-0 | vs. DEB |
| 12. |  | Smelly Team That Smells Smelly | 0-0 | vs. 4D |