Better to be lucky than good – 2023 Dodge Dynasty Champion Matt Robson



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Fantasy football at its best is about great players putting up great performances. If you enjoy the exact opposite, then this was the Dynasty title run for you!

Meat's (incomplete) lineup narrowly defeated Jay's (incomplete) lineup 81.4-80.2 to win the 2023 Dynasty championship. A combined two inactive players were started, setting a Dynasty title game record I never wanna see again. Meat barely weathered a furious Jordan Love comeback attempt to win the closest championship game ever, with the past two title games now producing the largest (50.2) and smallest (1.2) margins of victory in league history.

This is now Meat's 3rd Dynasty championship, and 2nd straight title won due to an inactive player started by his playoff opponent (along with 2016). Both came as the #5 seed, now the playoff seed with the most league titles (six!). In a three-game title run even Milton Berle would be proud of, Meat scored a combined 249.1 pts (83/gm, lowest scoring title run ever) failing to reach 85 pts in any game. For comparison, tough luck runner-up Jay Carroll scored 268.5 pts (134/gm) in the first two rounds alone. I say it every year and it's never been more true – literally *any* team can luck their way to a league title. Just find a way to make the playoffs!

Unfortunately for Mike Kerkel, he takes over as the unluckiest team that's yet to win a title. With a historic 13-1 record and the 2nd highest total pts / 4th highest per game score ever (1,520.8 pts/108.6 ppg), a season for the ages ends up short of the finish line again. The team still named after formerly rostered player & commissioner favorite Ezekiel Elliott picked an inopportune time to register its lowest scoring game of the entire season. This marks the 4th consecutive year Kerkel finished top 3 in scoring, yet all four playoff runs ended in the semi-finals. Better luck ahead Mike, and congrats on the record-breaking season & on constructing a true dynasty squad.

The other teams in the playoff field included a strong Dave Nickelsen #2 seed, 4th-seeded defending champ Hawke, and a 5-9 Jeremiah squad – the first (and probably last) 5-win Dynasty playoff team ever. Four 5-win teams had a chance to clinch a playoff spot with a win in Rivalry Week 14 – Jeremiah, Steve, Twitch, and Toot. All four promptly lost. Jeremiah backed in anyway. Jason's win over Jeremiah that week pushed his record to 2-12, narrowly avoiding the worst record in league history (1-12, 2011 Mr. Shannon Anderson). Inspiring fun fact: Shannon would make the playoffs the very next year, and even win the 2013 championship just two years later, with no help from his 2012 1st overall pick either (Trent Richardson). That 2013 Shannon team still remains the last top-scoring team to win the title in the same year, now 0 for the last 10.

Thanks again everyone, I truly appreciate it. Have a wonderful 2024!

2023 Dodge Dynasty Awards

Dodge Dynasty MVP

Winner: Christian McCaffrey – Jay

Runners-up: Tyreek Hill – Kerkel; CeeDee Lamb – George; Josh Allen – Kerkel; Kyren Williams – Kerkel;

Raheem Mostert - Jay; Jalen Hurts - Dave

Playoff MVP

Winner: Rachaad White – Meat

Runners-up: Christian McCaffrey – Jay; Jahmyr Gibbs – Jay; David Njoku – Jay

Honorable Mention: Raheem Mostert's injured ankle - Meat

Pickup of the Year

Winner: Kyren Williams – Kerkel

Runners-up: Puka Nacua – Toot; De'Von Achane – Dave; Gus Edwards – Twitch; Jerome Ford – George; Sam

LaPorta - George (traded to Jay); Jordan Love - Jay; Brock Purdy - Dave; Zack Moss - Jay;

Rashee Rice - Twitch; Jared Goff - Jason

Sleeper of the Year

Playing for the team that drafted them

Winner: Raheem Mostert – Jay

Runners-up: Mike Evans – Jeremiah; Nico Collins – Kerkel; Dak Prescott – Steve; C.J. Stroud – Jay; Jayden

Reed - George; Michael Pittman Jr. - Dave

Breakout Player of the Year

Non-Rookie

Winners: Kyren Williams – Kerkel; Raheem Mostert – Jay

Runners-up: Rachaad White – Meat; DJ Moore – Jason (traded to Dave); CeeDee Lamb – George; Breece Hall –

Twitch; James Cook - Dave (traded to Jason); Jordan Love - Jay; Brock Purdy - Dave; Isiah

Pacheco - Steve; Brandon Aiyuk - Meat; Nico Collins - Kerkel

Rookie of the Year

Winners: Puka Nacua – Toot; Jahmyr Gibbs – Jay

Runners-up: Bijan Robinson – George; De'Von Achane – Dave; C.J. Stroud – Jay; Sam LaPorta – George (traded

to Jay); Jayden Reed - George; Jordan Addison - Steve; Rashee Rice - Twitch; Tank Dell - Twitch

Dodge Dynasty Owner of the Year

Winner: Mike Kerkel

Runners-up: Jay Carroll; Dave Nickelsen

Dynasty Survivor Winner

Winner: Mike Kerkel
Runner-up: Jay Carroll

Bust of the Year

Non-Injury

winners: Austin Ekeler – Jason (traded to Dave); Tony Pollard – Dave (traded to Jason)

Runner-up: Travis Kelce – Toot

Comeback Player of the Year

Winner: Keenan Allen – Jeremiah

Runners-up: Dak Prescott – Steve; David Montgomery – Kerkel; Baker Mayfield – Toot

Comeback From Death Player of the Year

Winner: Damar Hamlin

Comeback From Worse Than Death (the NY Jets) Player of the Year

Winner: Joe Flacco

Samoan of the Year

Winner: Puka Nacua – Toot

Runners-up: Tua Tagovailoa – Steve; Jason Mamoa

Italian Quarterback of the Year

Winner: Joe Flacco

Runners-up: Tommy DeVito, Jimmy Garoppolo

French Running Back of the Year

Winner: Travis Etienne – Kerkel

Runners-up: Zach Charbonnet – Steve; Pierre Strong

Small is the New Big

Winner: De'Von Achane – Dave

Runners-up: James Cook – Jason; Keaton Mitchell; Jaleel McLaughlin; Unsuccessful dating profiles

Old is the New Young

Winner: Raheem Mostert – Jay

Runners-up: Derrick Henry – Meat; Keenan Allen – Jeremiah; DeAndre Hopkins – Meat; Joe Flacco

Shitty is Still Shitty

Winner: Zach Wilson
Runner-up: Mac Jones

Would be more respected if he went by Andrew

Winner: Drew Lock
Runner-up: Andy Dalton

First names that could be spelled more efficiently by using initials

Winner: CeeDee Lamb – George

Runners-up: DeeJay Dallas; Jaycee Horn; Tee Higgins – Jason

Waterford Crystal Award

Very high quality, made of glass

Winner: De'Von Achane – Dave

Not to overreact but the electric chair would still not be enough

Winner: Arthur Smith

Michael Thomas Non-Season-Ending, Season-Ending Injury Award

Winner: Keenan Allen – Jeremiah

Closest NFL/Dodge Dynasty Name Doppelgangers

Winner: <u>Jay Carroll</u>

Runners-up: <u>Steven Miller, Jason Bratton, David R. Nixon, Matt Robinson, George Hays, Mike Kirkland, Gerry</u>

Perry, Dan Turk, Jeremiah Valoaga

Jameis Winston/Blake Bortles/Gus Frerotte Award

Keeping both teams in it

Winner: Sam Howell – Jeremiah

Runner-up: Nick Mullens

The New Todd Gurley (first 4 years)

Winner: Kyren Williams – Kerkel

The New Todd Gurley (final 2 years)

Winner: Dameon Pierce – Jason

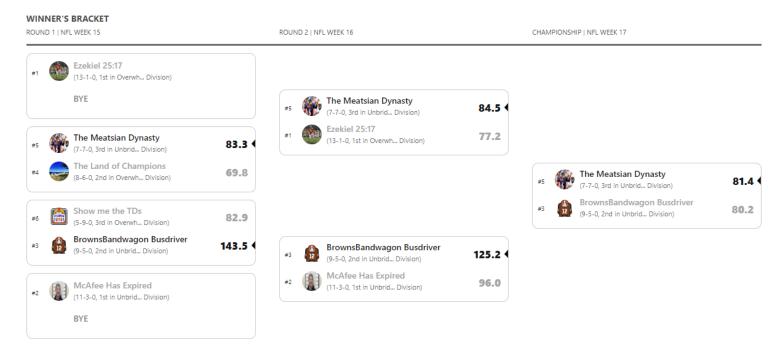
Broncos Country, Let's Reduce Liability

Winner: Russell Wilson benching

I saw two big fat naked bikers in the woods off seventeen having sex. How am I supposed to chip with that going on?

Winner: Shooter McGavin

2023 Dodge Dynasty Playoff Results (available here)



Dodge Dynasty History (available here)

Dodge Dynasty					
	Year	Winner	Runner-up		
	2023 Dodge Dynasty	Matt Robson	Jay Carroll		
	2022 Dodge Dynasty	George Hayek	Dan Toot		
	2021 Dodge Dynasty	Dave Nickelsen	George Hayek		
	2020 Dodge Dynasty	Greg Perry	Dave Nickelsen		
	2019 Dodge Dynasty	Greg Perry	George Hayek		
	2018 Dodge Dynasty	Dave Nickelsen	Jeremiah Yugulis		
	2017 Dodge Dynasty	Jen Hayek	Dave Nickelsen		
	2016 Dodge Dynasty	Matt Robson	Joe Hayek		
	2015 Dodge Dynasty	Jeremiah Yugulis	Dave Nickelsen		
	2014 Dodge Dynasty	Steve Miller	George Hayek		
	2013 Dodge Dynasty	Shannon Anderson	George Hayek		
	2012 Dodge Dynasty	Jeff Pohlmann	Dave Nickelsen		
	2011 Dodge Dynasty	Matt Robson	Jeff Pohlmann		
	2010 Dodge Dynasty	Jeff Pohlmann	Shannon Anderson		
	2009 Dodge Dynasty	Jeff Pohlmann	Matt Robson		
	2008 Dodge Dynasty	Joe Hayek	Steve Miller		

Perfect Lineups

1st String:

QB	Josh Allen – Kerkel		
RB	Christian McCaffrey – Jay		
WR/TE	CeeDee Lamb – George		
WR/TE	Tyreek Hill – Kerkel		
FLEX	Raheem Mostert – Jay		
FLEX	Kyren Williams – Kerkel		
D/ST	Cowboys D/ST – Twitch		
K	Brandon Aubrey – George		

2nd String:

QB	Jalen Hurts – Dave		
RB	Travis Etienne – Kerkel		
WR/TE	Mike Evans – Jeremiah		
WR/TE	Amon-Ra St. Brown –		
	Dave		
FLEX	Derrick Henry – Meat		
FLEX	Rachaad White – Meat		
D/ST	Ravens D/ST – Dave		
K	Justin Tucker – Dave		

3rd String:

QB	Lamar Jackson – Twitch		
RB	Joe Mixon – George		
WR/TE	A.J. Brown – Dave		
WR/TE	DJ Moore – Dave		
FLEX	Breece Hall – Twitch		
FLEX	James Cook – Jason		
D/ST	Dolphins D/ST – Jeremiah		
K	Jake Elliott – Steve		

Next Year's Draft Order

Draft order for every round (excluding any 1st round comp picks)

- 1. Bratten
- 2. Toot
- 3. Twitch
- 4. Steve
- 5. Jeremiah
- 6. George *
- 7. Dave
- 8. Kerkel
- 9. Jay
- 10. World Champion MEAT **

Adjusted Total Points (used for Non-Playoff Draft Order)

2023 Adjusted Total Points (For 2024 Non-Playoff Teams Draft Order)											
Subtract High, Low, Week 14, and 2nd Half Adjustment											
	Total Points		Low Score	Week 14 Score	2nd Half Points	2nd Half Adjustment	Adjusted Total Points				
Smoke + Mirrors (Jason & Dan Bratten)	1070.3	114	57.8	81.4	418.2	0	817.1				
Toot for Victory (Dan Toot)	1112.5	104.6	58.3	73.2	456	5	871.4				
Barkleys Meaty Quads (Greg Perry)	1236.7	151.2	41	100.1	506.1	11	933.4				
Rusty Trombones (Steve Miller)	1247.5	111.9	62.6	61.4	575.4	17	994.6				

^{*} George's 7th round pick traded to Jay; George receives Jay's 15th round pick

^{**} Meat's 9th round pick traded to Jay; Meat receives Jay's 13th round pick