

# RIP Big Kirko

Welcome back to another Jart Report, where we lament the loss of the MVP candidate and heart of The Family. We do not mind how it helps the Lions in their quest for the NFC North.

## Week Eight Recap:

**Week Eight Predictions: 3-3**

**This Season: 29-19**

### ***Goofballs vs WR1 University:***

Prediction: *WR1 University* by 23.34

Reality: *WR1 University* by 32.02

Folbe: "Pain"

Nooni: "7-1 feels great- gg to Folbe"

### ***Team Achilles Tear vs Hu(lu has live spo)rts:***

Prediction: *Hu(lu has live spo)rts* by 17.46

Reality: *Team Achilles Tear* by 36.65

JL: "Great performance by my boys. We're cooking. GG Jase"

Jase: "Killers of the Flower Moon was fantastic, everyone should go and see it! (After my teams dismal 1PM performance i went to the movies to forget about it)"

### ***United Nations vs Amon RAW:***

Prediction: *United Nations* by 22.42

Reality: *United Nations* by 26.32

MW: "We're back x2"

Levine: "Really thought I had it this week but Adams shit the bed and gibbs is the goat. MW is cooking"

### ***Mahomes vs TaylorMade:***

Prediction: *Mahomes* by 18.45

Reality: *TaylorMade* by 15.41

Bank: "My team sucks I lost to a guy who started Sam Howell and his running backs will all be out of the league in 2-3 years. Can't believe I was 1 of max 5 victims of him scoring 100+ this year. Congrats to him tho he winning league"

Dmichs: On a Jart Report embargo too it seems

***\$17 for Luke Musgrave vs DoubleBuzz:***

Prediction: *\$17 for Luke Musgrave by 14.75*

Reality: *DoubleBuzz by 30.56*

Brad: "Alex stuck his pee pee through me, no homo. Tough to lose rivalry week. On to the next"

Aross: "Could not be reached for comment"

***WR1 University vs TuAnon Penguins:***

Prediction: *TuAnon Penguins by 12.24*

Reality: *TuAnon Penguins by 35.76*

NN: "Trust the process"

Jart: "Even week. Rest easy Big Kirko"

## **The Him Larrañaga Award For Excellence**

Highlighting Aross' top roto performance was the long-awaited breakthrough of the Dak-CD stack. Combining for 63.06 points, CD in particular finally had his first game of scoring 20+, going for 35 with a 12-158-2 statline in their blowoff win over the Rams.

## **The Arthur Smith Award for Terribleness**

Not necessarily his fault, but Davante Adams certainly had the worst week of nearly any starter across the board this week, and so we will use him to highlight Jimmy G and the Raiders organization as a whole. Sure, Adams did have one drop that he absolutely should have brought in, but his 1-11-0 statline was certainly the product of others being terrible moreso than Adams himself.

## Record by PF Finish:

1st: 8-0  
2nd: 8-0  
3rd: 5-3  
4th: 4-4  
5th: 7-1  
6th: 6-2  
7th: 3-5  
8th: 2-6  
9th: 4-4  
10th: 1-7  
11th: 0-8  
12th: 0-8

## Roses and Thorns:

Rose: On Tuesday night we had a Halloween party at our house and like 40 people were there, so that was a lot of fun and was good timing as I had just recovered from being sick.

Thorn: Was sick Sunday-Tuesday morning, which overall was not terrible because I got to sleep a lot and whatnot and miss multiple days of work, but was still annoying.

## Show OTW:

Week 1: Mythic Quest (Apple TV)  
Week 2: Pushing Daisies (MAX)  
Week 3: Chuck (Amazon Prime)  
Week 4: Veronica Mars (Hulu)  
Week 5: Suits (Netflix)

In my quest to hit every streaming service, we turn our attention to Peacock, and with that Psych. My favorite TV show of all time, it is long but well worth it. Funny, lighthearted, entertaining and always incredibly silly.

## Song OTW:

Week 4: Hold Me While It's Ending - Chelsea Cutler feat. Matt Maeson  
Week 5: First Date - Blink 182

Inspired by one of the games we played at the Halloween party, our song this week is Somewhere Over the Rainbow by Israel Kamakawiwo'ole. Guy crushes it.

# **Jart's Mailbag:**

## **Is Nebraska going to win the Big Ten West?**

I continue to think that Wisconsin is the favorite, although there certainly is no team that you look at and feel good about. They're all terrible, and it is just a question of which team happens to be the least terrible in key matchups down the stretch. I'd probably put Nebraska at third best odds behind Iowa as well (who maybe should be the favorite with tiebreaker).

## **Rank the league in the order of their abilities to pick out a good restaurant to eat at?**

1. Dmichs
2. Aross
3. Jase
4. Levine
5. Folbe
6. Bank
7. Nooni
8. NN
9. JL
10. Brad
11. Jart
12. MW

## **How many touchdowns will Folbe's 4 receivers combine for this week? I'm guessing 1.**

Between Garrett Wilson, DJ Moore, Nico Collins, and Devonta Smith, put me down for 2. I think Smitty and Wilson both get one, but don't see one for Moore or Nico.

## **Over the course of Folbe's 1 year lease, how many girls are sleeping in his bedroom?**

As with many questions involving Folbe I consulted him first to avoid approaching with too uneducated of a response. In response I got, "Lmaooo come on bro" and "0, I'm a child of god". Of course, I am a journalist who settles for nothing less than the truth, but after pressing slightly more, "My lawyer has advised me to not speak on the manner".

With little to go off of, we will go with 1.4/week. Multiply that by 52, and we're looking at 73.

**Folbe had a girl sleepover Saturday night. With 0 context/additional info, what percent chance do you think there is that it ends up being his wife?**

Let's assume that Folbe gets married within the next 7 years. 7 years at 73/year puts us at 511 potential choices. So any given one would have about a 0.2% chance. We will go 0.3% though!

### **FMK: Mouthwash, Floss, Toothpaste**

I'm killing floss because like yeah it's helpful but it's so much work and feels like if you brush well then you're gonna be chilling. Mouthwash is quick and easy which is nice, but toothpaste is the base of it all, it is what makes things go and without it things go south quickly, so we will marry toothpaste.

**Power rank these awful QBs we were forced to watch this week: Brett Rypien, Josh Dobbs, Tyson Bagent, Tommy Devito, Mitch Trubisky, Zac Wilson, Jaren Hall, PJ Walker, Jordan Love, Desmond Ridder.**

10. Tommy Devito
9. Brett Rypien
8. Mitch Trubisky
7. Tyson Bagent
6. Jordan Love
5. Desmond Ridder
4. Zac Wilson
3. Jaren Hall
2. PJ Walker
1. Josh Dobbs

**How many Pickleball games will be played over Thanksgiving break?**

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**Where can we play indoor Pickleball over Thanksgiving break? Need a place not an answer saying u don't know!**

It is hard for me to tell if a place is free or not, and I am guessing a lot of these places are not, but I wanted to look at indoor places since the weather will be getting quite chilly by then. Some options that I have come across are the Novi Athletic Club, SPARC Arena, Livonia Athletic District, and Plymouth Pickleball. The options are slim, but I believe!

## **Is it too early to start talking about the Wednesday before thanksgiving plans?**

No, never too early! Given some of the memories this league has made over the years around that time of year, starting to get a plan seems like it would only serve people well to make plans and let others know when they will be busy. Might need to make any necessary reservations on the earlier side too given how busy of a season it is!

## **Why is Aross always feisty in the GC?**

It's a part of his personality! You can't be coming at him sideways and not expect it a bit in return. Always good to bring some banter to the groupchat and keep everyone on their toes.

## **When Dmont comes back, how will the Lions split the workload?**

I don't think that the Lions necessarily want to give Gibbs more than 10 carries a game, but Dmont's injury and gameflow has forced it slightly more. I think they are most comfortable using him as a receiver often, with 15-20 touches a game total. But when it comes to strictly the carry workload, I would expect about 70-30 in favor of Dmont.

## **1-10, where are you at with Matt Rhule?**

Probably about a 8, which is not dictated by the on-field results too much. A lot of the success on-field this season has been due to the defense, which I generally will give the credit to the DC over the HC, even if Rhule did choose Tony White from Syracuse. He is at an 8 because I think culture-wise he is the perfect fit for Nebraska, he's a family guy who does things the right way and believes strongly in that. He also has an incredible track record of flipping college programs, and things seem to be vastly ahead of schedule already. Jeff Sims did not work out whatsoever, and getting a QB will be paramount, but Nebraska likely would have won 10+ games this year if they had a competent QB. Never could have said that about Frost.

## **Should critical race theory be taught in elementary/middle/high schools?**

While I am doing some research in preparation to answer this question, I felt entirely unequipped to answer it initially, so certainly take whatever gleanings I bring with a grain of salt due to a lack of knowledge. I think elementary school and middle school are likely too young of ages to be taught regardless of one's view on the curriculum, as it seems like far too complex of issues with countless nuances that a child that young would greatly struggle to wrap their minds around and think critically. As far as high school goes, I think some level of its implementation that recognizes the racial inequalities that have been undeniably present in our history and society is very beneficial, but I would likely not promote it to the extent that this seems to call for.

## **Do you take it personally when people don't contribute to the report?**

No. It is a little disappointing obviously because I think it is fun to get everyone's thoughts and see what people had to say about past matchups and upcoming ones, but I get that people are busy and I know it's not personal towards me when they do not get their responses in.

## **Do you care more about Nebraska football or the Lions? Asking this because I think MW is the only Michigan fan who would rather see the lions succeed than U of M football**

I think Nebraska? It's hard for me to know on some level because Nebraska has been bad for so long that I mostly just feel numb towards them, but if Nebraska was at the level that the Lions are in their respective league, I would certainly be extremely locked in. It is difficult to judge when both have been so mediocre to terrible my whole life, but have to give Nebraska the benefit of the doubt.

## **ROS lions prediction?**

Sitting at 6-2 with 9 games remaining, we have stuck on track with what I had predicted back in week 5. I had us beating the Chargers then so I will stick with that, and then over the last 8 games, I like us to win 5 (which does feel on the conservative side). That puts us at 12-5 and almost assuredly an NFC North title.

## **Mailbag Question of the Week:**

### **Could you name the league members from the Linguistics class in 2019? And why did MW try to suck off the teacher? And why did you low key get an A-?**

A lot of good nostalgia here and that is what warrants its selection as question of the week. Naming the league members is tough because I also had a number of my own roommates in that class so there were just so many people I knew, but my best guess is Brad, NN, MW, and possibly Garrett was too? MW was in love with our teacher because she thought this name was Merrill, and that amount of indifference towards him absolutely drove him wild. As for me and my A-, I did in fact have a 99% in the class going into the final, and I did indeed get a 68% on the final. But frankly, it was rigged against me. Because my roommate who only did HALF of the final got a 72%. She took 28% off of my grade for one thing, which was her way of getting back at me for never coming to her class, but knowing all of the answers to her questions on the few times I did come. I knew the answers of course because they were in the back of the book, but that in a sense exposed how pointless her class was, and it was my funeral.

# Overrated/Underrated:

## **Elon Musk:**

Overrated. It seems like the twitter/X acquisition and all that has come with that has reduced the hype quite a bit, but I will still put him in the overrated category for now as I am not a huge fan personally. Interested in hearing the argument for someone who is a big fan, I am certainly open to a different perspective!

## **Patrick Mahomes:**

Overrated. He's a fantastic QB, probably the best in the league most weeks. But he is not head and shoulders above every other quarterback, and certainly benefits from Travis Kelce being borderline unguardable. A lot of the overrated too comes from that people seem to attribute every lucky thing that happens for the Chiefs as the greatness of Mahomes, and this season we are starting to see a little less of that. He's great, but if I were Bank I would trade him for Taylor Heinicke and Jaren Hall.

## **Cider Mill Donuts:**

Underrated when hot/warm, overrated when cold. Warm cider mill donuts are some of the greatest food that this world has to offer, but as soon as they cool off and any future days, they are incredibly average.

# Mailbag Question Standings:

1. Jason (57)
2. Folbe (48)
3. Brad (44)
4. NN (36)
5. Bank (31)
6. JL (26)
7. Nooni (16)
8. Levine (12)
9. MW (9)
10. Aross (2)
11. Dmichs (2)



# League Takes:

## Agree:

- We will have a 3x league champion this year (**Editor's Note:** Me)
- MW will win the league (**Editor's Note:** I didn't want to jinx it into happening)
- Dmichs and aross performing well was needed for league parity
- Nooni is hung

## Neutral:

- NN is going to win out

## Disagree:

- Jason's season is done

# Jart's Power Rankings:

1. Nooni (No Change)
2. Jart (+1)
3. Jason (-1)
4. MW (+3)
5. Bank (-1)
6. JL (-1)
7. Levine (-1)
8. NN (No Change)
9. Brad (No Change)
10. Dmichs (+1)
11. Aross (+1)
12. Folbe (-2)

# JL's Power Rankings:

1. Nooni (No Change)
2. MW (+1)
3. Jart (-1)
4. JL (+2)
5. Bank (-1)
6. Levine (+1)
7. Jason (-4)
8. Aross (+3)
9. Brad (-1)
10. Folbe (-1)
11. Dmikes (+1)
12. NN (-2)

## **Bad Beat OTW:**

No matchups were very close this week, so we will go with Aross taking over the top roto spot by 0.25 over Jart after some massive later performances after Jart thought he had it locked up without any question. Jart hasn't been 1st in PF in a week yet this year, and while I think that comes with a little money, more importantly, Jart may need every roto point he can get with Cousins now out for the year.

## **Segment recommendation: Analytical Stat OTW:**

The one that I found most interesting as I scoured waiver wire QBs this week was dropback success rate. It is not a statistic that I had heard of before, but in scouting Will Levis it is one that I came across. The NFL average is 48%, and last week in Levis' breakout debut, he was at 37%. This was generally presented as cause for concern, as he overall struggled but then hit it big on the throws to wide open Hopkins, and then one fantastic throw on his final TD to Westbrook-Ikhine. So maybe this means he struggles, or maybe he raises that % and performs even better! Time will tell, but it was a reason for me to not pursue adding him to my QB room.

## **Segment recommendation: Best possible combined bench roster from all rosters and did it beat top roto**

QB: Bryce Young, 14.5, NN  
RB: Javonte Williams, 17.3, NN  
RB: Zack Moss, 13.9, Levine  
WR: Deandre Hopkins, 32.8, Dmichs  
WR: Devonta Smith, 19.4, Folbe  
TE: Taysom Hill, 22.21, Noon  
FLEX: Gabe Davis, 19.2, Jase  
OP: Tyler Lockett, 18.1, JL  
D/ST: Minnesota, 5.0, Levine

Total: 162.41

Top Roto: 144.47

Determination: Yes

# Trade Jartalyzer:

## Trade #1:

**NN: Dak Prescott, Stefon Diggs, Alexander Mattison (Grade: B+)**

**Aross: Trevor Lawrence, Josh Jacobs, Calvin Ridley, Hollywood Brown (Grade: A)**

Some divisiveness in the league over this trade it seems, which is always a good thing, but in the eyes of The Report, Alex is the winner. Dak and TLaw is pretty much a push, and Alexander Mattison is irrelevant. This makes the trade essentially Josh Jacobs, Calvin Ridley, and Hollywood Brown for Stefon Diggs, which is quite the high price. Jacobs is still in RB1 territory, Ridley has flashed as a WR1 at times, and Hollywood is a solid WR2 that trends up with Kyler's impending return (we miss you Marquise). Obviously NN got the best player in Diggs and that's where eyes will be drawn, but a great haul for Alex.

## Noah

**-Commissioner approval rating. Rank Noah's performance from:**

- 1. Strongly disapprove**
- 2. Disapprove**
- 3. Neutral**
- 4. Approve**
- 5. Strongly approve**



This week had been trending in a very positive direction, but the trade with Aross has tempered those feelings quite a bit. We will put NN in the neutral category for this week, trending towards disapproval. A lot of people like the trade for NN, but I think it cost him too much.

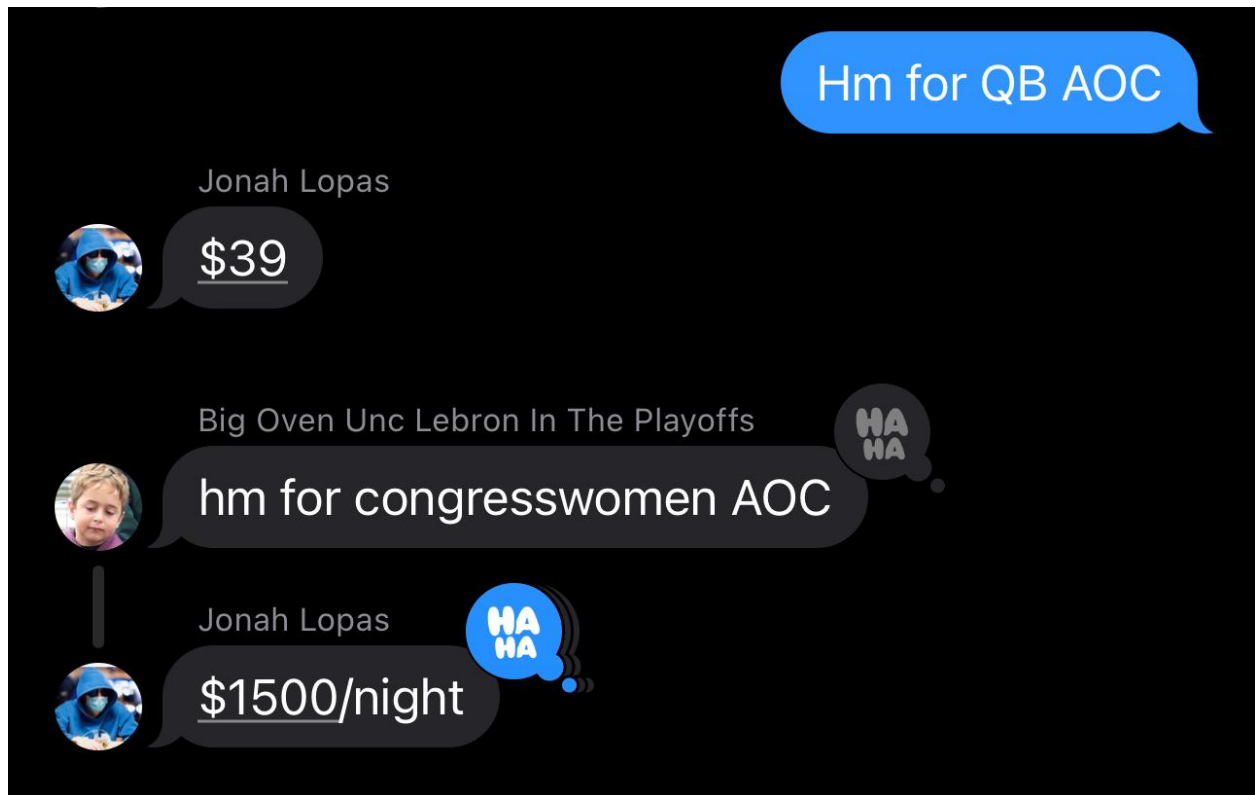
**-What % of rostered players has NN had on his team this year**

Week 7: 16.5% (29 of 176)

This week, we are looking at 175 players rostered, with 33 (18.9%) of them having been on NN's roster. The number would be higher, but NN does not have a full roster at time of writing.

## Segment recommendation: Clapback of the week. Which message in the chat gets the most clapbacks? (reacts) Text OTW?

A couple closely related suggestions lead to what going forward will be known as Text OTW, paired with the other OTW segments. This week came with a suggestion as well that we will honor. I am hesitant to just do the one with most clapbacks because sometimes a text does not get the attention that it deserves. Here was this week's nomination:



## Family Award:

Fueled by two stacks that produced 3 TDs, Aross is the easy choice for the family award this week. Team stuck together through what's been a tough season so far, and even Uncle Gus got in on the action with a hat trick.

## Week Nine:

### Transaction Analysis:

**Best Transaction:** Trey McBride, \$0. Clayton Tune is the QB this week and that may make for some rough sledding, but McBride certainly flashed last week, and could be poised for solid numbers each week when Kyler returns.

**Honorable Mention:** Leonard Fournette, \$0, NN. Maybe it becomes nothing, but the Bills clearly haven't found everything they wanted in James Cook, and perhaps Fournette comes in and gets a lot of touchdowns and some additional work.

**Worst Transaction:** Joshua Dobbs, \$40, Levine. I am taking a bit of a risk here, but it was a more expensive waiver claim, and there is no guarantee that Dobbs starts, if the Vikings want to see what they have with the Mormon Missile for more than one week. Dobbs gives them a solid option that they may turn to, but they needed another QB on the roster, and giving up practically nothing for Dobbs may mean they're fine keeping him on the bench.

**Honorable Mention:** PJ Walker, \$2, Jart. Jart spent \$2 on a backup QB who spent a day on his roster! What a bonehead!

### FAAB Tracker:

Prior to this week's Wednesday and Thursday waivers, we had seen \$761 (63.4%) spent.

So far this week, we have seen \$103 (8.6%) spent, bringing the total to \$864 (72.0%).

### Matchups:

**United Nations vs WR1 University:** Gibbs and LaPorta on bye puts a team with no depth in a tough spot quickly - while McBride could be a nice pickup, his QB is also trending to be Clayton Tune, and Tyjae Spears has no right starting in fantasy currently. Addison is downgraded without Cousins, and the health of Downs remains a question. For Nooni no CMC is notable, but there's still a ton of firepower, and so **we like WR1 University by 17.66.**

MW: "If the lions r on bye, i'm on bye from fantasy football"

Nooni: "Excited to see how the team performs w/out cmc (it's gonna be ugly)"

**\$17 for Luke Musgrave vs Hu(lu has live spo)rts:** An unexpected implosion from Jason last week has tempered the expectations of many in the league, but we continue to believe in the roster and are not phased by one week. We also will not be picking a roster with Deshaun Watson in it. **We like Hu(lu has live spo)rts by 12.24.**

Brad: "LFG I get to play Jason. My favorite matchup each year. If I don't collect at least 8 ROTO my szn is over"

Jase: "I have serious beef with brad and his roommate rn. they both know why."

**Mahomes vs Amon RAW:** Bank is healthy again, and while Jordan Love continues to be a scary start, Mahomes should have a big bounceback week. For Dmichs the RBs and Carr provide reason for optimism, but a disgruntled Davante Adams and no ARSB create a big hill to climb. **We like Mahomes by 6.44.**

Bank: "I'm gonna lose"

Levine: "If banks top 3 guys perform he can beat anyone, if not then I like my chances this week"

**DoubleBuzz vs TaylorMade:** Coming off a monster week for Aross, we continue to not see enough from Dmichs yet to make him the pick. **We like DoubleBuzz by 11.43.**

Aross: "BOL"

Dmichs: On a Jart Report embargo too it seems

**Goofballs vs Standin' on Bidness:** It seems Folbe used up all of his season scoring against me, as he has struggled mightily sense. Goff and Purdy on bye put the team in a tough spot, and make NN the easy selection. **We like Standin' on Bidness by 18.76.**

Folbe: "This Sunday may be too painful to watch. Good luck Noah"

NN: "It's go time"

**Team Achilles Tear vs TuAnon Penguins:** Until I win a game in an odd week or lose a game in an even week, I'm not changing my tune. We like **Team Achilles Tear by 22.46.**

JL: "A lot on the line in my battle against the report's lead writer. My boys gonna eat this week, Jart's in trouble"

Jart: "Odd week"

## **Jart's Survivor Pool:**

Week 2: Jason (Won 124.7-114.24)

Week 3: Noonni (Won 129.5-83.91)

Week 4: MW (Won 119.2-114.96)

Week 5: Levine (Won 98.52-54.0)

Week 6: Jart (Won 110.22-93.27)

Week 7: Bank (Won 108.66-80.06)

Week 8: Brad (LOST)

No surprise, it was Brad who ruined it for me. Maybe next year!

## **Boom/Bust OTW**

Coming off a big week that has many claiming that he is fully back, Joe Burrow has a tough matchup in a Buffalo defense that will certainly be looking to make a statement. Burrow could stay hot and light up the Bills in a shootout, or the Bills may do a good job of shutting Chase down, and it could be a long night for the Bengals pass game.

## **Best Player at Each Position:**

QB: Patrick Mahomes, Bank

RB: Jonathan Taylor, Dmichs

WR: Tyreek Hill, Noonni

TE: Travis Kelce, MW

D/ST: Saints D/ST, NN