

Free Chee Midseason Review

Let's start with the power rankings for this week. We've tweaked our algorithm to be more forward-looking this week. As we've reached the halfway point, teams will receive less benefit of the doubt based on fundamentals and need more proven results to achieve a high rank.

Tier One: The Triumvirate

1. Life with Derrick- Justin (LW rank: 1)

Derrick stays on top after a hard-fought win over Hand me this Piss. He entered Monday night needing Chris Godwin to not outscore Derrick Henry by 11 points. And then Derrick did Derrick things. There was good news and bad news for Derrick this week, but on the whole, it was probably more beneficial than detrimental to his season-long outlook.

Starting with the bad, Justin Fields was benched by Mike Tomlin in favor of Russell Wilson. It was shocking mostly because Russell Wilson is among the most hated men alive today. Given his performance Sunday, Tomlin might have had a point. Having said that, Wilson significantly raises George Pickens' ceiling for the rest of year. Pickens had his best game of the year going for 19.6 points vs the Jets. Additionally, Nick "Markakis" Chubb returned to the lineup for the Browns and saw 14 touches. With The Rapist tearing his Achilles, the Browns might even field a real offense going forward and Chubb should figure into that greatly

At the midway point of the regular season, we're going to take this time to torch (and congratulate) some gentlemen for some of their elite draft picks two months ago.

Draft Steal: Derrick Henry for \$32 is absurd in hindsight. Henry is RB1 and a top 3 overall player in points per game heading into week 8. \$32 was highway robbery.

Draft Bust: Trevor Lawrence for \$40 isn't great but then again, he's hardly the only playing like mud so we'll highlight Jaylen "Brown" Waddle here at \$21. Not really his fault with Tua's injury, but Waddle is WR68 in points per game thus far.

2. Stewed C- Joey (LW rank: 2)

Beef Stew choked away what was a near certain win because of Jayden Daniels' injury. Nonetheless, he stays at 2 with a 5-2 record. This ranking is assuming Daniels will be fine and miss no significant game action. With a healthy Daniels, this team is loaded. As predicted, the Drake Maye hype train is leaving the station with the rankings committee in the conductor's cabin. Maye has exceeded 20 points in his first two NFL starts and after watching the all-22 from the Jacksonville game Sunday morning, the committee sees superstar potential. Working behind an offensive line comprised of orcs and throwing to

pigs with hair, Maye was still able to produce. When you add that to the mix of Kamara, Barkley, and Bowers you've got a league winning roster. Also, how furious is John Mara today after seeing Saquon's revenge game? 176 on 17 carries is typically good.

Draft Steal: Maye (obviously) is a steal and a half for \$9. We must highlight Brock Bowers here though. Bowers (Kev's hair) has been the TE2 so far trailing only George Kittle and Stew got him for a few Chuck E. Cheese tokens and 35g of sand (\$3).

Draft Bust: He's not awful but Garrett Wilson at \$40 is subpar value by our algorithm. He's still WR17 in points per game.

Editors note: Evans' injury has the potential to move Stew down significantly next week but we chose not to speculate on its severity.

3. Gorlock the Destroyer Schwartz- Simon (LW Rank: 6)

Gorlock the D took care of business against Work Ass to improve to 5-2 on the year (not that we worry about records). His starting lineup is elite, and his bench looks like Rutgers in 2016. We have him at a 94% chance to make the playoffs. Just a good, clean football team here.

Draft Steal: This was a tough call between Kenneth Walker and Jordan Addison here. We lean Walker for \$25. He's missed two games but when healthy has averaged 20 points per game and is the RB4.

Draft Bust: The reason his team is good is because none of his big money players are outright busts. We'll highlight Luke Musgrave here who was cheap at only \$1. However, Musgrave isn't even the starter on his own team and has 5 catches for 22 yards on the year.

Tier Two: Playoff Teams

4. Cap Stoppers- TJ (LW rank: 9)

A big move this for the Stopper of Cap as he jumps up 5 spots. The committee was moved by his utter annihilation of Sweeney. The lineup Monroe Street threw out there this week belonged in a zoo. Heading into Monday night, he had 15.06 points and not one of his 6 players had exceeded 6 points. Justin Tucker and Justin Herbert's heroics on Monday were able to get Sweeney over 50 points. But the reason Cap Stoppers moved up so much is that he's shored up any weaknesses in his lineup and Achane's effectiveness is about to go through the roof with the return of Tua. Khalil Shakir is also a crowd favorite.

Draft Steal: DK Metcalf was secured for \$16 and has been a top 15 receiver through half the season. That's value finding at its peak.

Draft Bust: Travis Etienne at \$41 is oof. Etienne has seemingly been usurped by Tank Bigsby in the Jacksonville backfield and will have to fight for touches the rest of the way.

5. Hand me the Piss- TK (LW rank: 5)

Piss has been rock solid and makes the playoffs in roughly 85% of our simulations. Breece Hall has been mostly as advertised despite the Jets' general retardation. And crafty management moves like securing Jordan Mason, Diontae Johnson, Kareem Hunt and Mason Rudolph on the wire give the committee confidence this is a well-run organization. People still remember the fleece job he pulled in 2022 giving Boyle scrambled dirt in return for 3 fantasy all-stars.

Draft Steal: Easily Chris Godwin for \$6. Godwin is WR5 in points per game so far and is shredding defenses for Tampa Bay. He might be out for the year but this was money well spent.

Draft Bust: We hate to say it. Has to be Mahomes. MaFraud as some have taken to calling him is currently QB22 in points per game. He's behind Bo Nix. For \$60 this is brutal. Can it continue to be this bad? Seems unlikely.

6. Sansa Ludacris- Chris (LW rank: 3)

Sansa tumbles even further this week after a bit of shellacking at the hands of Deserves to be Shot. His team will be fine but the injuries to Jonathan "Tishman" Taylor and Derek "Dicaprio" Carr are killing him right now. Spencer Rattler, a one-time contestant for the ugliest man alive, isn't going to cut it we're afraid. The good news is that Kyren Williams and Brian Robinson Jr are back and humming. Each exceeded 70 yards and found paydirt this week. It's hard to chirp because the committee would've done the same thing but Jets defense flat out stinks. The committee fully expects they will be back on the wire this week when Sansa cuts bait.

Draft Steal: Rashee Rice for \$5 looked like a league winning play before Mahomes decided to destroy his knee but Sansa was shrewd enough to scoop up Brian Robinson Jr for \$7 as well. Robinson is playing like an RB1 so far with 14.4 points per game, good for 15th among running backs.

Draft Bust: No real busts here relative to price. The worst we've got is \$8 for Blake Corum when he's barely played, but even still it's a decent handcuff for Kyren Williams so the committee can't rip it.

7. Pigs on the 7th Rank- Deez (LW rank: 11)

Not bad right? Pigs dominated Stew this weekend even with a pitiful performance from Matthew Stafford. Stafford had 4.96 points which is pretty much what Stone Smart threw up on Monday night. Yes, that's a real human being. We're not sure 21 points from Dicker the Kicker is all that replicable but at 5-2, this team is well positioned to make the playoffs (roughly 95% of our simulations have him in). Jixon has been unstoppable, carrying a dogshit CJ Stroud on his back for the Texans. Meanwhile, Amari Cooper and Najee "Kamala" Harris both saw huge boosts to their stock with changes in their quarterback this week. Bloomfield ought to be celebrating this week between its fantasy outlook and decimation of the pickem league. Credit to Pigs.

Draft Steal: Joe Mixon for \$25 is like buying Nvidia in 2018. It almost makes you feel bad. In 3 of the 4 games he's been healthy this year, Mixon has gone over 25 points.

Draft Bust: WDWDITH. We love Stafford as much as the next guy, but the value hasn't been there. Stafford is QB34 in points per game this year. He's behind Andy Dalton and the Rapist. Even if you go by total points, Stafford is QB28. We don't know how Pigs is winning with this guy in his lineup, but it'll do.

8. Deserves to be Shot- Mitch (LW rank: 7)

Shot has kind of just been floating around the middle of these rankings for a while now. He's got a decent team. Good quarterbacks, good running backs, and Brian Thomas Jones. However, it leaves you wanting more. We've got him with a 70% chance of making the playoffs, but that's mostly because the competition falls off a cliff after #9 in these rankings. Everyone below 9 has either dug themselves too big a hole, or fields a team that even ketamine crew would turn their noses up at. Josh Allen has been objectively quite good as the QB4 in both average points and total points, but he's hardly been the destroyer of worlds Shot envisioned when he spent \$65.

Draft Steal: I meeeeaaannn. Okay most of his dart throws for \$1 are flat out busts. Ja'Lynn "James" Polk? Bust. AD Mitchell? Retard. Marvin Mims Jr? Shouldn't be allowed to exist. Having said that, Chase "Emmett" Brown has been a revelation. For just \$7 he's been the RB23 overall so far and the RB8 over the past month once Zac Taylor realized Zack Moss runs like Ger.

Draft Bust: He only spent real money on 7 players, and all are valuable assets so "bust" might be a stretch. Bijan has been mildly disappointing though for \$47. He went for the same price as Saquon and has been fine as the RB6 in points per game. Shot was expecting 2017 Todd Gurley type stuff and that just hasn't materialized.

9. Sweeney.- Connor (LW rank: 8)

“Can’t root for injuries!” was the quote we secured from Sweeney, after the debacle this weekend. But was it injuries? Or is there something wrong with the underlying structure of this roster? Our investigative unit is pursing that one a bit further, but in the meantime the committee would like to say this team stinks right now. He put up 50.42 points this week to set a new season low across the league. The sooner Nico Collins can get healthy, the better it will be for Sweeney.

Draft Steal: Can’t lie he got some nice value. Jayden “Willis” Reed for \$4 has been performing like a monster. He’s currently the WR10 in points per game even with Jordan Love missing a month.

Draft Bust: The committee loves the guy, but the answer has to be Justin Herbert here. Herbert is averaging 11.8 points per game which is good for QB29 right now.

Tier Three: Probably Dogwater

10. Marvin’s Receiver Room- Zaukas (LW Rank: 5)

The algorithm tweak buried Marvin this week. Not to mention he tied Gotham. Can’t tie Gotham and be taken seriously as a contender in front of the committee. He now sits firmly in 14th place ahead of only Work Ass and Senior Al Coke Twins. It will require a 6-1 run to end the season to even think about a playoff berth. The committee says cap. While Lamar remains unbelievable, the rest of this team might stink. Marvin Harrison Jr might be flat out soft. He clearly does not have the stomach his father does. We could never imagine MHJ killing a guy.

Draft Steal: Lamar Jackson. We don’t care that he went for \$61, the guy has been putting the team on his back.

Draft Bust: Marvin Harrison Jr. I’d rather hang out at Soho for a month than draft this guy. For \$35, this guy is the WR39 in points per game halfway through the season. We should’ve known.

11. WHERESTUA- Matt (LW rank: 12)

Crazy week for Tua. First and foremost, actual Tua is back. When the haters and the pussies said Tua but what about your health, he responded “Well, how much risk do we take when we get up in the morning to go drive to work? Get into a car crash, I don’t know.” We on the committee applaud Tua for shutting down this liberal narrative about “concussions” and “CTE”. Let the boys play. [Some were absolutely fuming about it](#). Best part is he said he’d rather jump off a bridge than wear a guardian cap. On to other news, The Rapist is dead. He is out for the year. But it will probably help WHERESTUA because he can now replace him with Russell Wilson. Even though the committee despises Russ, we’ve got to admit he

looked dialed in on Sunday. A Tua-Russ combo could prove formidable over the second half of the season.

Draft Steal: Stefon Diggs is WR9 in total points and WR15 in points per game so far. For just \$15, this has been a bargain for WHERESTUA.

Draft Bust: Watson. \$39 for the guy was pretty bad. Good news is the nightmare is over.

12. Work Ass- Sweeney (LW Rank: 10)

Easily. Work Ass got rolled this week, but the algorithm still thinks this team is pretty good. If we remove the results portion of the model and only run the team evaluation, Work Ass actually ranks 5th. The problem is he sits at 1-6. Jalen Hurts has been picking it up recently, Drake London is WR9, and Dontayvion Wicks has an elite name. His playoff prospects are even lower than Marvin though. Rumors abound that Grand Street guzzled nearly an entire bottle of bulleit bourbon and woke several neighbors while yelling as Gorlock ended his playoff hopes on Sunday. Just rumors.

Draft Steal: Drake London for \$23 has been outstanding. Kirk has been feeding him.

Draft Bust: Anthony Richardson for \$48 is brutal. Can't even blame Work Ass as the preseason hype was immense. There were even people calling him a black Josh Allen. From what we've seen, he looks more like a black Deez to us.

13. Here Without You Tishman- Gallo (LW rank: 12)

Tishman falls back one spot after the rise of WHERESTUA. Tishman is similar to Work Ass in that if you remove the results portion of the model and focus solely on projections, he would actually rank 9th. Credit to him for weathering the storm. At 2-5 he's in a better position than some other teams to make a surprise run in the second half. Having said that, the model still gives him just an 8% chance of touching foot in playoffs. Jordan Love and AJ Brown are back in addition to Tyreek getting a massive boost from the return of Tua this week. Tishman's team looks scary. When you throw in the dual Ravens TE strategy and Bucky "Chucky" Irving, I would not want to face this team down the stretch.

Draft Steal: Not really his fault but Tyreek for \$56 has been flat bad so far. Perhaps that will turnaround over the second half. Tyreek is WR44 in points per game.

Draft Bust: Is it even a question? Bucky for \$1 is like when Boyle robbed the Indian liquor store. He went in with a ski mask and just cleared out the register. The wherewithal by Gallo to grab Bucky at that price while slapping back unlimited burgers and beers at the draft is truly an all-time great performance.

14. Ger- Ger (LW rank: 15)

Honestly, there's room for him to move even higher. Could one argue the committee's model cares too much about quarterback performance? Absolutely. But we would argue back that a team with Will Levis is just asking to be laughed at. With Cooper Kupp back in the fold and the Giants RB situation locked down, Ger has some second half upside. We have him with an 18% chance to make the playoffs. This is significantly higher than some of the other teams in this tier. That mostly stems from the fact that he's already banked 3 wins while others (Work Ass and Al Coke) have 1. We'll be monitoring the front office in Austin closely. He has been known to make some eclectic moves on the wire.

Draft Steal: Sam Darnold is QB17 and only cost \$24 so that's damn good, but we'll highlight the Giants RB duo here. He didn't draft Tyrone Tracy but Singletary for \$7 plus Tracy off the wire will do the trick. Those two combined have the same number of points as Aaron Jones (RB15).

Draft Bust: Injuries robbed Ger of a couple of high-priced horses in Isiah Pacheco and Cooper Kupp, so we won't rip him for those. The answer here is obvious. Was he kidding? Bryce Young for \$15? The worst player in the history of man? I'd rather Mikey mow the roof with a weedwhacker than that guy play quarterback.

15. Senior Al Coke Twins- Mikey (LW rank: 13)

Coke falls back a bit this week after a dismal performance. His season is all but cooked. It's essentially a turkey that's been sitting in the oven for 3 hours. The Christian McCaffrey stuff ruined him. Guy's more likely to stay in Germany than suit up for the niners this year. No need to dance on grave though, so we'll highlight a couple of great sleepers Al Coke was able to find this year. Chuba Hubbard playing for the dismal Panthers is RB19 in points per game for the year. And Cade Otton looks to become a target monster with Mike Evans and Chris Godwin sidelined indefinitely.

Draft Steal: Nabers (\$20) and Chuba Hubbard (\$1) are both such automatic thefts we have to highlight both. If the McCaffrey stuff had turned out differently, this team might be nasty.

Draft Bust: Taysom Hill for \$6 is the type of government spending Zimbabwe does. Hill is the TE25 for the year and never had hope of being much more. Pandas in the same neighborhood as Hill include Jordan Akins and Colby Parkinson. If you don't know about Parkinson, I would implore you to watch [this highlight](#). This game birthed STANFORD MONEYLINE.

16. Gotham Rogues- Joe (LW rank: 16)

Back-to-back weeks at 16. Good for him. Javonte Williams might be nasty but otherwise this team is hit or miss. Even his highly priced QBs Stroud and Kirk (\$102 combined) have been QB18 and QB24 so far in points per game. That's not gonna cut it. It doesn't look like Davante "Eric" Adams reuniting with his old QB is going to save the season either. The committee would like to recommend a new coach. He might not be available for a week but one of the great managers of our time, Aaron Boone, will soon be in his offseason and the committee views him as an outstanding choice to turn this team around.

Draft Steal: It has to be Javonte. After a slow start, he's RB16 in points per game over the last 4 weeks and looks to continue ascending against a weak Broncos schedule.

Draft Bust: I mean let's be reasonable. Zamir White isn't a human. Gotham spent \$10 on this guy, and he is the RB65 halfway through the season. You're better off with Walter Hudson in the backfield.