

THE WEEKLY SNAP

Power Rankings — History Week Edition

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Welcome to History Week. We've got a great slate of matchups ready to bring back the feels of fantasy seasons past. These rankings were locked in before the Packers got whooped on Thursday night in their home opener — so factor that in. Got a beef with your ranking? You know where the group chat is.

1 Javy

1-1

Same ranking as last week

Javy has a solid team that is going to be difficult to beat. It's not fun facing Gibbs or Derrick Henry. Just too big, too fast, too strong, too good. RIP the King. And Javy will reign supreme this year unless someone does something to beat him. His wide receivers are good but recovering from injury, and he has solid foundations at QB and TE. Javy is the runaway favorite for the championship unless a clear frontrunner emerges. This team has the depth and star power to dominate if everyone stays healthy.

STRONG POINT

Running Backs — Gibbs, Henry, Montgomery, Rhamondre.

WEAK POINT

WR2 — Without AJ Brown, this team is starting waiver-wire wide receivers, but when he's back, the team will be near flawless.

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Evan

1-1

Up 8 from last week

What a jump from Evan. Lots of work and complaining has moved him up 8 spots in the power rankings. The two newest members of the league are 1 and 2 in the rankings. The rest of the league needs to step up and teach the newbies how it's done. Evan has quickly gone from an afterthought to one of the teams nobody wants to face.

STRONG POINT Quarterback — Mahomes has found his old self with a revamped run game. This is a strong point because he was taken with the 108th pick, producing high-end QB1 numbers, and allowed plenty of draft capital to round out the rest of a solid roster. Hitting on a QB and tight end late in the draft is always the best path to success, and Evan found it here with Mahomes and Kittle.	WEAK POINT Wide Receiver — This one is a maybe and hardly a weak point. Amon-Ra has been the WR3 for three years running and is back right where he belongs. He's carrying the room, but outside of him there's much left to be desired. Rice has been debatable flex-play level the last two weeks, and the next-best option, Rome, is now without his quarterback.
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Joey

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Up 5 from last week

STRONG POINT Tight End — Dalton Kincaid has come out of nowhere and is the TE2 thus far. He's been targeted 14 times and already surpassed the 200-yard mark, playing for already-frontrunner-for-MVP Josh Allen. With new addition DJ Moore, the defense has larger fish	WEAK POINT Running Back — CMC, Javonte, and Saquon are all in very good, high-powered offenses. However, they're all very old and carry real injury risk, each having missed full seasons in the past. Saquon has been lackluster, to say the least, but can turn things around against a
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to fry than the young tight end. The best part: Kincaid was picked nearly in the last round — pick 127. An absolute steal for Joey and an apparent league winner so far.

bad Bears front four this Monday night. Right now they're healthy and playing good enough to keep Joey moving up.

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Mickey

1-1

Up 1 from last week

Mickey was very upset this entire week after losing to Isaiah on a garbage-time touchdown by CeeDee Lamb that decided the matchup by less than one point. He scored the third-most points last week and lost — something that doesn't happen often. Mickey should probably be sitting at 2-0. But he's not. The schedule matters. He's getting good contributions from Dak and his running backs. There's plenty of season left, and Mickey has already shown his team can put up points, starting with History Week vs. Farhan.

STRONG POINT

Tight End — McBride is everywhere and a dawg. He continues to produce with Jacoby Brissett — a bright spot on an offense with a lot of talent and not a lot of motion for target diversity.

WEAK POINT

Flex — Chuba can't play the worst defensive teams back-to-back weeks and keep producing at an RB1-caliber level. He's been solid so far, but the Panthers offense will regress. Jonathan Brooks is down, so Chuba is the main guy in this backfield — if the offense stays hot, so will he. I just don't see that being likely with Bryce Young at the helm.

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Isaiah

2-0

Up 2 from last week

Isaiah sneaked away with a win against Mickey last week and is now set to play his other account this week. At 2-0, Isaiah has already put himself in a strong position, but the running back room will need to improve if he wants to stay near the top of the rankings. (The team name is top notch, by the way.)

STRONG POINT

Wide Receiver — Olave and the Saints are a high-powered offense, with close games against the Lions and the stunner against the Ravens last week. Paired with CeeDee Lamb, who has recaptured the WR1 title from George Pickens, this duo can take over matchups Isaiah isn't supposed to win.

WEAK POINT

Running Back — Probably the most obvious weak point. Achane has not lived up to the hype, Judkins is stuck in an abysmal Cleveland offense, and Jaylen Warren is splitting carries with Uncle Rico. There's enough talent here to survive, but the backs need to start producing more consistently.

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Farhan

2-0 — better than a 6th overall team

Down 3 from last week

Despite racking up another win, Farhan has dropped a few spots here. His strengths are powerful, but his weaknesses are noticeable. Farhan plays Mickey this week in Rivals Week — someone who has historically dominated the matchup. He got off to a hot start with Bijan dropping 35, but it's a long weekend with lots left to play. At 2-0, Farhan has built himself a nice cushion, but this week could tell us a lot about whether this team belongs higher.

STRONG POINT

Quarterback — Clear as day. Josh Allen has been the most valuable player in the NFL and in fantasy so far — 75.5 points through two weeks is absurd. A home-run third-round pick.

WEAK POINT

Wide Receiver — DJ Moore and Mike Evans lead the corps for Shrek the Ogre. They're old, but on good offenses, so a touchdown is possible any given week. Rounded out with Kelce and Aaron Jones, this is a pretty old team — everyone but 29-year-old DJ Moore is over 30. If they stay healthy and score, they shouldn't have a problem.

7 Harry

1-1

Down 5 from last week

It's been an injury-plagued season for Harry. Puka is either hurt or facing a quiet suspension from the league, and Bowers is coming back from a trim to his already-bald head and knee. Ladd should be at full capacity this week, and it'll be interesting to see how the Giants offense performs without Dart at the helm. This week he plays Isaiah — a championship rematch from 2022 that was cut short. If they get the chance to finish it out, it should come down to the wire.

STRONG POINT

Kenneth Walker III — Hard to find a real strong point here since no position group is better than the next. Dart went down, Nacua's been injured, and Bowers' season hasn't started. Walker's 23.8-point performance heading into Monday Night Football had him as the RB1 of the entire backfield coming into Week 3.

WEAK POINT

Quarterback — Already weak coming into the season with Dart and Nix late in the draft. Dart had an impressive Week 1 before his season was cut short by a hit on a 20-foot dropback. Now Harry's starting Tyler Shough off waivers, just like Ryan with Bryce Young. If it pans out, he dodged a bullet — if not, this position struggles all season.

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Ryan

1-1

Down 4 from last week

Ryan hasn't gotten off to the hottest start — a Week 1 loss, then an injury-plagued opponent this last week that he barely held off thanks to a 3-touchdown performance from JSN. He plays Joey in History Week: two guys who've known each other for years, brothers in cross country turned fantasy rivals. Mr. Nonchalant Stache Officer vs. Arms Crossed, Laid-Back Joey. Ryan will need his stars to show up if he wants to avoid another disappointing week.

STRONG POINT

JSN — A superstar. High-level routes and production without his Super Bowl-winning QB Sam Darnold. That relationship will keep developing, and JSN could finish as a top-5 receiver and single-handedly push Ryan into his first playoffs.

WEAK POINT

Running Back — Fair to call it a weak point now, though it might be the strong point in three weeks. Chase Brown has been good, not great, producing at a second-round clip. Love hasn't been bad, just not in the best offense and splitting carries with Allgeier. He can be a workhorse if it's given to him — the question is whether it will be.

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Tambo

0-2

Down 3 from last week

The reigning runner-up is 0-2 and facing My Diggs Hurts — a rematch of the championship loss that still haunts him a year later. Should be fun, competitive, and close as both teams look to avoid 0-3 starts. Tambo's in a tough spot, but there's plenty of time to turn it around.

STRONG POINT Jonathan Taylor — A big-time first-round pick producing like a number-one overall. The offense is built around him. If healthy, wide receiver would be the real strong point: Nico Collins misses about 4 games a season every year of his career, and Zay Flowers has battled soft-tissue issues. If both stay healthy, this duo wins matchups the way it did in Week 1.	WEAK POINT Jadarian Price — Looking like one of the bigger busts this season. Just 13.8 fantasy points across two weeks. Granted, that's without Sam Darnold, but the snap breakdown looks similar to last year. With Charbonnet's return on the horizon, it could get harder for the rookie to grow his weekly totals.
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Aaron

0-2

Down 1 from last week

It's suddenly a must-win week for Aaron. Statistically, teams that start 0-2 have only a 25% chance of making the playoffs. This roster has underperformed, and it'll take turnarounds from multiple players — or a few moves from GM Aaron Paszkowski. This week he plays Tambo: a championship rematch from a year ago, except now it's the league's worst two franchises in a must-win game. If Aaron slithers into the playoffs and wins another title, it'll be quite the story. The pressure is on.

STRONG POINT Wide Receiver — Inconsistent so far. Waddle had a great game and a really bad one; JJettas had a great game and a really bad one; Pickens hasn't matched last year's level. Despite that, the depth is good — Jalen Coker has been a nice surprise and added some spark. Aaron just needs more from his top guys, and it should come soon.	WEAK POINT RB2 — TreVeyon Henderson, taken by Aaron the Patriots fan for the second year running. That Patriots backfield is a mess: Henderson losing his health, Rhamondre losing the football, and Mike Vrabel losing his wife to Diana Roussini. Doesn't look like it's getting cleaned up anytime soon, leaving Aaron in a tricky spot at running back.
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