

Brownie Bits: Week 15

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Useless nuggets of information from Sunday's Browns game that you can certainly live without...

BAD HISTORY: With Sunday's defeat, the Browns clinched their fifth consecutive losing record. It's the longest stretch in team history, topping four-year skids from 2003-2006, 1995-2001, and 1990-1993. This is their 13th losing record in their last 15 seasons and 17th in their last 20.

OFFENSIVE DIFFERENCES: This was the sixth time this season and the second time in three weeks a Browns' opponent topped 400 total yards. It also marked the sixth time this year the Browns failed to accumulate 300 yards of offense themselves.

MIXED BAG FOR T-RICH: The good news is that **Trent Richardson** has scored six touchdowns in his last four games, including four scores in his last two. The bad news is that in those last two games, he's rushed for a total of just 60 yards on 29 carries. Sunday was the fifth time this year he's rushed for less than 40 yards in a game. Still, he moved within 103 yards of the 1,000-yard mark for the season.

GO FIGURE: Though Washington more than doubled the Browns in total rushing yards (122 to 58), the Browns had a better per-carry average (3.9 to 3.5).

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NO-NO NFC: The Browns have now lost seven of their last eight games against NFC opponents and are 4-16 against the NFC over the past five seasons.

POINTS AND DIFFERENTIALS: The 38 points Washington scored were the most the Browns had allowed in a game since the Giants lit them up for 41 in Week 5. This was the Browns' largest margin of defeat since losing to Houston by 18 points last November - 15 defeats ago.

LONG TIME COMING: To give you an idea for how long it's been since the Redskins won a game in Cleveland, the last time it happened (1985), **Joe Theismann** threw for a touchdown and **John Riggins** ran for another.

TELLING RECORDS: The Browns stand at 4-2 against teams that are currently at or below .500. They're 1-7 against teams that have winning records.

'SKIN SCORING PROBLEMS: The Browns had failed to score more than 17 points against the Redskins in their previous seven meetings. This was the Browns' highest point total against Washington since 1969.

TIDBITS: The Browns only had possession of the football for 2:34 of the fourth quarter and just 8:32 of the second half...The 69-yard touchdown pass to **Travis Benjamin** accounted for 24% of the Browns' total yardage for the day....Washington nearly gained more yardage in the second half (271) than the Browns did for the entire game (291).

SURPRISING: **T.J. Ward's** interception in the opening minutes was just the third of his three-year career.

SEASON BEST: **Reggie Hodges'** 58-yard punt in the first quarter was his longest of the season. He's now averaging 42 yards per kick in 2012.

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HISTORIC LOSS: Going in, the Browns were 6-0 all-time against the Redskins in the month of December.

WEEDEN WOBBLY: **Brandon Weeden** scored a mediocre 66.8 passer rating on Sunday. Even worse, if you take away the 69-yard scoring pass to

Travis Benjamin

, it drops to a much more reflective 48.0. For the year, his passer rating is now 72.4.

CHASING PEYTON: With his pair of rushing scores on Sunday, **Trent Richardson** matched **Peyton Hillis'**

11 rushing touchdowns in 2010 and is now just one score away from tying Hillis' overall tally of 13 two years ago.

THE SERIES: The Browns still have a commanding lead in the all-times series, 33-11-1. The Redskins have won six of the last eight meetings after the Browns won 31 of the first 37.

EAST BEASTS: The Browns finished 0-4 against the NFC East this year and are now 2-12 since their return. Their sole victories were over the Giants in '08 and the Redskins in '04.

GROUND GROANS: Compiling just 58 total rushing yards as a team on Sunday, the Browns snapped their string of six consecutive games in which they topped the century mark on the ground. They failed to rush for 100 yards as a team in five of their first seven games - all defeats.

AVERAGE AT HOME: The Browns finished their home schedule with a 4-4 record, marking only the fourth time in the 14 seasons since their rebirth that they didn't have a losing mark for the season at Cleveland Browns Stadium (joining their 7-1 record in 2007 and 4-4 marks in 2006 and 2001). They're now 41-71 all-time at CBS.

SACK EXCHANGE: With another sack on Sunday, **Juqua Parker** maintained his team lead

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with six for the year. Second-place

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kept pace, notching his fifth.

OUT-FOXED AGAIN: The Browns are now 10-17 all-time in games televised by FOX. (Keep in mind that all of these games were played in Cleveland.)

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