

Bruisers smash records

STU BRUISERS 36, McROCKERS 32

1995

The McRockers made it to their record fourth Fantasy Bowl, but suffered a record third Fantasy Bowl loss. The Stu Bruisers (Jay Moylan) became the first team in league history to score over 600 points (638, 45.57 ppg.) during the regular season, and finished

the schedule and playoffs with a nine-game winning streak. The Bruisers spotted the McRockers a 17-0 lead before roaring back, withstanding a late McRocker charge for a thrilling four-point win.

EXCERPTS FROM SEASON FINALE UPDATE

Withstanding a late charge by **Emmitt Smith, Jay Moylan's Stu Bruisers** held on for a thrilling 36-32 win over the **McRockers** in Fantasy Bowl IX.

The Bruisers became the ninth AWFFL champion and spoiled the McRockers' hopes of becoming the league's first two-time winner.

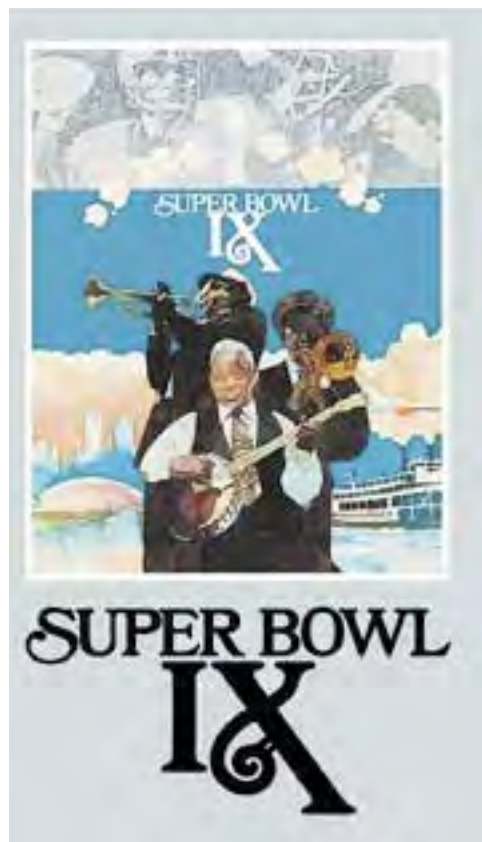
Just as in the previous week's semifinal matchup, the Bruisers spotted their opponent the early lead in the Saturday games. The McRockers picked up 11 points from their snowball-soaked San Diego Defense, while the Bruisers' slumping Errict Rhett went scoreless for the second straight week. In the evening game, the McRockers got three points each from Curtis Martin and Drew Bledsoe. Bledsoe was started in place of Troy Aikman because it had been anticipated that Aikman's Monday Night game would be meaningless and that he would not see much, if any, playing time.

So, the Bruisers trailed 17-0 as the Sunday games got

underway. With two seconds to go before halftime, Warren Moon hit Cris Carter for a nine-pointer. It was Carter's 17th TD of the season. Moon finished the day with two TDP's and a near-miss 294 yards passing. Near the end of the third quarter in the same game, Carl Pickens scored his 17th TD of the season. Both Carter and Pickens finished the game with 6 points and the season with 117, passing Herman Moore (114) by three points for All-AWFFL honors.

The 18 points from that game helped the Bruisers overcome the McRockers' lead. The Bruisers got a strong eight points from the Houston Defense to get their score up to 26. The McRockers countered with nine points from the San Francisco kicker, and the game was knotted up at 26-26 with three Sunday late games and the Monday Night game left to play.

But in that 49er game, something else happened. The 49ers lost. That would give the Dallas Cowboys a reason to



win on Monday night — to gain home-field advantage throughout the NFC playoffs.

In the late games, the Bruisers finished off their scoring with four points from Oakland Kicker Jeff Jaeger and six from O.J. McDuffie, who scored his sixth touchdown in the past seven weeks. It was the Bruisers holding a ten-point cushion, 36-24, going into Monday Night. The only player left starting for either team was Emmitt Smith. So it came down to the league's #1 draft pick, who averaged 12 points per game this season.. With a ten-point deficit, the McRockers would need every bit of those two TDs to pull off their second Super Bowl win.

The 49ers loss might have been good news for Smith, who was only one TD away from the NFL season TD record and was probably only going to be kept in the game for one TD if the game was meaningless. But it also meant that Troy Aikman could see extensive action, and he did. Aikman caught fire, throwing for 325 yards and two TDs — a total of nine points. It was only Aikman's second 300+/-yard game of the year, and the first since week #6. Bledsoe, on the other hand, had thrown for 336 yards, three TDs and an extra point the week before. But on this crucial weekend, Aikman outscored Bledsoe by six points, in a game in which he might not even played had not the Falcons shocked the 49ers.

In fact, the Dallas passing game was working so well that Emmitt Smith wasn't able to get his record-breaking TD until the Cardinals/Cowboys game was no longer a contest.

Would Switzer go ahead and let Emmo beat the record by two TDs, or rest his weary warrior for the NFL playoffs? The answer came as the two-minute warning drew near and the Cowboys had the ball at the five yard line. The Fantasy

Bowl was decided when the Cowboys backfield featured #20 instead of #22.

It was an exciting finish, and tied for the second closest Fantasy Bowl ever. Ironically, the McRockers won the other four-point game, 22-18 over the Death Campers in 1990. They were also the victims of the closest Fantasy Bowl game ever, a 24-22 loss in 1992 when their team featured not only Emmitt Smith but Steve Young, as well. In that game, the last-week-of-the-season unpredictability of the NFL also plagued the McRockers at their QB position, when Young was pulled in favor of letting Joe Montana play his only half of football for the season. Montana set up the 49ers kicker for the points that beat the McRockers that year.

The McRockers would have to be frustrated to come so close again — it is their third Fantasy Bowl loss in four appearances. But still, they are the only team that can claim as many Fantasy Bowl appearances, which extends a certain amount of bragging rights.

And for the Stu Bruisers, the ultimate bragging rights. They assembled the AWFFL's most powerful team. Their only

position player not to finish in the top ten at his position was O.J. McDuffie, who scored only twice in the first nine weeks of the season, but finished the year with 50 points and became Dan Marino's favorite target by the end of the year.

Still, no matter how skillfully a team like this has been put together, the AWFFL often comes down to luck. For instance, if the Bruisers had played the Jalapeños' schedule, they would have still been the highest-scoring team in league history, but they would have finished the season 6-8 and out of the playoffs. If the Peños had played the Bruisers' schedule, they would have also finished 6-8 instead of 3-11.

But those Peños set the tone for next year, ripping off 51 points to take the final week's \$100 high score prize.

Don't forget! The 1996 draft is Thursday night, the week before the NFL regular season starts!

Now get back to your families and treat them good to make up for all of the time you've been wasting for the past three months!

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

**The 1995
Stu Bruisers
boasted a
league-
record three
All-AWFFL
first-teamers**



CRIS CARTER



CHRIS WARREN



CARL PICKENS

1995 FIRST ROUND PICKS

1	Emmitt Smith	McRockers
2	Steve Young	Jalapeños
3	Dan Marino	Bomb Squad
4	Marshall Faulk	Averitt's Favorites
5	Chris Warren	Stu Bruisers
6	Jerry Rice	Melba Toast
7	Barry Sanders	Cowboys
8	Bam Morris	K.C.'s Rough Writers
9	Tim Brown	Tim's Raiders
10	Andre Rison	Sandy's Tight Ends
11	Jeff George	Chiefs
12	Herman Moore	Death Campers
13	John Elway	Death Campers

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Scoreboard O.T. Sports Bar

FIRST TEAM

QB	BRETT FAVRE	JALAPEÑOS	153
RB	EMMITT SMITH	MCROCKERS	183
RB	CHRIS WARREN	STU BRUISERS	120
WR	JERRY RICE	ROUGH WRITERS	137
WR	CRIS CARTER	STU BRUISERS	117
WR	CARL PICKENS	STU BRUISERS	117
K	PITTSBURGH	CHIEFS	142
D	PHILADELPHIA	MELBA TOAST	123

SECOND TEAM

QB	SCOTT MITCHELL ..	CHIEFS	133
RB	CURTIS MARTIN	MCROCKERS	119
RB	BARRY SANDERS ...	CHIEFS	93
WR	HERMAN MOORE ...	ROUGH WRITERS	114
WR	ISAAC BRUCE	MELBA TOAST	110
WR	ROBERT BROOKS ...	TIGHT ENDS	105
K	DENVER	DEATH CAMPERS	137
D	KANSAS CITY	CHIEFS	122
D	SAN FRANCISCO	TIGHT ENDS	122

1995 Weekly Winners

1.	McRockers.....	52
2.	Cowboys	51
3.	Jalapeños	62
4.	Tim's Raiders	60
5.	Stu Bruisers	71
6.	McRockers.....	52
7.	Melba Toast	61
8.	Stu Bruisers	60
9.	K.C.'s Rough Writers	48
10.	McRockers.....	55
11.	Stu Bruisers	71
12.	Stu Bruisers	69
13.	Dittoheads	59
14.	Chiefs.....	56
15.	McRockers.....	51

1995 WINNINGS

1ST PLACE

Stu Bruisers	\$1,650.00
Pot:	\$1,350.00
High Scores:	\$200.00
Division:	\$100.00

2ND PLACE

McRockers	\$800.00
Pot:	\$450.00
High Scores:	\$250.00
Division:	\$100.00

3RD PLACE

Tim's Raiders	\$420.00
Pot:	\$270.00
High Scores:	\$50.00
Division:	\$100.00

4TH PLACE

Averitt's Favorites	\$180.00
Pot:	\$180.00

OTHERS

Jalapenos	\$150.00
Cowboys	\$150.00
Dittoheads	\$50.00
Melba Toast	\$50.00
Rough Writers	\$50.00
Chiefs	\$50.00

1995 AWWFL FINAL STANDINGS

DIV	1995	W	L	T	PF	AVG.	K- D-	TOP	PA	AVG.	M
1	# 01 McRockers	9	5	0	528	37.71	82 - 78 - 368		491	35.07	
1	# 04 Averitt's Favorites	8	5	1	527	37.64	100 - 102 - 325		449	32.07	
1	# 02 Jalapeños	3	11	0	509	36.36	107 - 40 - 362		637	45.50	
1	# 03 Dittoheads	3	11	0	456	32.57	97 - 96 - 263		573	40.93	
2	# 05 Stu Bruisers	11	3	0	638	45.57	98 - 81 - 459		434	31.00	
2	# 06 Melba Toast	10	3	1	520	37.14	83 - 86 - 351		441	31.50	
2	# 07 Cowboys	06	7	1	509	36.36	107 - 74 - 328		524	37.43	
2	# 08 K.C.'s Rough Writers	06	8	0	473	33.79	100 - 90 - 283		461	32.93	
3	# 09 Tim's Raiders	9	4	1	517	36.93	107 - 98 - 312		444	31.71	
3	# 11 Chiefs	8	6	0	479	34.21	104 - 103 - 272		494	35.29	
3	# 10 Sandy's Tight Ends	5	9	0	486	34.71	101 - 103 - 282		589	42.07	
3	# 12 Death Campers	4	10	0	447	31.93	113 - 48 - 286		552	39.43	

AWWFL SUPER BOWL RESULTS

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TOP TD						P-TD TD					
QB	Pass	Rush	Rcv	XP	PG	Int	Rum	Sk	Stm	Pts.	
95 STU BRUISERS											
QB MOON, WARREN	MIN	2	294	08							6
RB RHETT, ERRICT	TB		93	05							0
RB WARREN, CHRIS	SEA		07	08							0
WR CARTER, CRIS	MIN	1		79							6
WR McDUFFIE, O.J.	MIA	1	-5	61							6
WR PICKENS, CARL	CIN	1		73							6
K RAIDERS KICKER	OAK				4	0					4
DE HOUSTON DEF	HOU				2	1	0	5	0		8
Score										36	
95 McROCKERS											
QB BLEDSOE, DREW	NE	1	196								3
RB MARTIN, CURTIS	NE		103	24							3
RB SMITH, EMMO	DAL	1	68	38							6
WR BARNETT, FRED	PHI			17							0
WR GALLOWAY, JOEY	SEA			90							0
WR ISMAIL, QUADRY	MIN			00							0
K SAN FRAN KICKER	SF					3	2				9
DE SAN DIEGO DEFENSE	SD	1						1	3	1	0
Score										32	
QB MIRER, RICK	SEA		12	03							0
RB MURRELL, ADRIAN	NYJ		43	12							0
RB SMITH, LAMAR	SEA										0
WR HARPER, ALVIN	TB			49							0
WR WILSON, CHARLES	NYJ			08							0
K CINCINNATI KICKER	CIN				4	2					10
Score										10	
QB AIKMAN, TROY	DAL	2	390	12							9
RB SALAMI RASH	CHI			122							3
RB THOMAS, RODNEY	HOU	2		80							12
WR BLADES, BRIAN	SEA			00							0
TE NOVACEK, JAY	DAL										0
K CHICAGO KICKER	CHI					2	2				8
Score										32	