

GT MEN'S FLAG FOOTBALL LEAGUE



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Opening Day!!!!



Cowboys land the Jets

The first game of the 2004 season was a match-up between the Cowboys and the Jets. The Jets started with the ball and very characteristic for opening day, the offense looked anxious and was forced to punt. The Cowboys started off by throwing the ball, a big surprise considering they have Carl Fantauzzo at RB. The Cowboys were full of surprises as their offense looked very sharp. QB Frank Selvaggio hit Mike Preisser on a slant and Mike became the first player to score in 2004. Carl Fantauzzo picked up the extra point on a sweep. The Jets started to put things together but were forced to punt again on their second drive. On the Cowboys second possession, the Jets defense had awoken in a big way. Ron Houlihan made a big stop and that sparked teammate Elmer Swift to burst through the line for a sack. The rest of the first half was full of good effort from both offenses but great efforts by the defenses. The Jets Matt Savery and the Cowboys Todd Petroske also treated us to a punting clinic. Both players sent booming punts deep into their opponent's territory. As the second half began and the Cowboys looked like they would score again. Selvaggio and (WR) Petroske had their timing down and were picking up large amounts of yardage that was until the Jets



Cowboys offense looks over a tough defense

Defensive line took over. Sean Hopkins sacked Selvaggio and forced a 3rd and goal from about the 20. Houlihan then came up with another sack forcing 4th and goal from the 30-yrd line. Selvaggio threw a great pass to Brian Schilling for the TD, but offsetting penalties caused the down to be re-played. The Cowboys went for it again and Ron Houlihan came up with yet another sack to end the drive. It appeared to have sifted the momentum of the game. Matt Savery took over at QB and the Jets were about to take flight. Savery hit Emmanuel Bradley for a huge gain and within a play or two, Savery was in the end zone on a keeper. The next Cowboy drive found Hopkins and Houlihan shutting them down again. When the Cowboys punted the Jets rookie Joshua Hayes came up with an incredible return deep into Cowboy territory. The Cowboys defense tightened up, especially when Doung Truong made a key stop on Marlon Salmon. But the Jets were in the end zone again when Savery hit Alex Vicente in the corner and Alex displayed remarkable concentration to bring it in. Despite Danny Olmo and Chip Turner making some big defensive plays the Cowboys kicked into a different gear. Behind great protection Selvaggio made the right reads and drove the ball down field "Elway-like". Petroske ended the drive with a spectacular catch for the go-ahead TD. With time running out Brett Grape made a great pass deflection and on the next play his brother Ryan had the game ending interception.

Church Service Times

Sunday AM Worship Services

- **8:00** Nurseries are provided for all three services.
- **9:30** Graded Sunday School Children's Ministry
- **11:30** PromiseZone Children's Ministry for ages 3 through 6th grade

Sunday PM Family Service

6:00 Nurseries

Wednesday PM Family Service

7:00 Nurseries
Awana Children's Ministry for ages 3 through 8th grade



49ers get ready for their chance to get in

49ers outlast the Raiders

For our second game the sun had broken out and the Raiders and 49ers took the field. The Raiders opening drive was ended when Dan Ryan deflected a pass and teammate Joe Lachiusa made an easy interception. The Raiders defense looked bound and determined to get the ball back as Mark Ballister slashed through the line and striped the ball away from (QB) Tim McBride.

The first half featured some nice plays by both offenses. The Raiders enjoyed some good runs by Tony Fedele, as well as some big catches by Kevin Nichols. The 49ers showed that Chris Bouie was a prime time receiver and that Joe Lachiusa has not lost a thing. What the fans were treated to was some classic defense. The 49ers showcased the talents of Dennis Allen (heavy pressure & a key pass deflection), Toma Pickett (big stops & several sacks), and Pat Laberth (making plays everywhere). The Raiders were equally as tough with the likes of Jim DePrez (stops on runs and passes) Jeff Philips (dominating pressure), and Mark Ballister (sacks and key stops). The second half brought us the only points of the game when McBride hit Chris Bouie for a big gain then followed that with a keeper to get into Raider territory. With McBride under heavy pressure he heaved a pass to the right of the end zone where Lachiusa was able to make the catch for a TD. Ballister stopped McBride from scoring the extra point. The Raider back-up QB Rick Hernandez was able to get a spark going when he hit Will Salmon for a big gain. Hernandez then did a keeper of his own for several more yards before Pickett ended the drive with two consecutive sacks. The Raiders had a final chance with 42 seconds on the clock. (QB) Doug Logory threw a good pass deep down the left side but Lachiusa made the play of the day with a spectacular one handed grab for the interception.

THE VISION

To introduce men and their families, to the true **Jesus Christ**, in hopes that all that are called will enter into a real relationship with Him.



Cowboys and Jets gather for Half-time

Why are we doing this?

It was attempted to make it clear why we put this football league on. We want to tell the truth. Each one of us have offended God somewhere in our lives. The Bible says that "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;" (Romans 3:23) It also says that "The wages of sin is death;..." (Romans 6:23) No one can dispute the fact that we will all some day die, what then? With the fact that we have offended God, when we face Him how will we fare? No doubt God is love and He is merciful, but He is also righteous, holy and just. He will not and could not let us into heaven with the fact that we have sin in our lives. That is why we need to be saved. The

Bible says that "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" (Acts 4:12) The truth is that without Jesus Christ we are destined to

hell. Religion offers no hope for an entrance into heaven. Jesus said himself "... I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." (John 14:6) We will take our half-times to present the truth from God's word, in hopes that each person will make the choice to follow Jesus Christ. The Bible has the answers for this most important issue as well as all issues of life. Please let us help you see!

So then every one of us shall give account of himself to God.

Romans 14:12

NFC Standings:

	W	L	T
Cowboys	1	0	0
49ers	1	0	0
Saints	0	1	0

AFC Standings:

	W	L	T
Titans	1	0	0
Jets	0	1	0
Raiders	0	1	0

Next weeks match ups	Time
Titans vs. Raiders	1:00
Cowboys vs. 49ers	2:30



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Titans slash the Saints

With only one game left to play and the clouds rolling in, the Saints and Titans took the field. The Saints quickly found out how hard it is to block Rick Harter as Rick recorded his first sack on the opening drive. Like the previous two games this one featured some great defensive plays and some new names as well. The Saints had rookies Rob Benedetto and Cody Bechtold showing their stuff early. They were getting plenty out of their veteran stars as well. Ben "not my" Wayne was everywhere and teammate Mike "sack master" Ryan was in mid season form. Even with all that the Titans showed that the drought of points on opening day was about to be over. (QB) Bill Titus came out as if to prove his brand new Super Bowl ring from last year was no fluke. Bill got real comfortable with the fact he has John Bianca to throw to, and he did it often. Titus and Bianca hooked up with the game first TD and then Titus hit his little brother (Six foot two) Scott for the extra point. Not much later Bill was mixing it up and getting big yards out of (RB) John Helfer. Helfer appears to be very well rested as he makes his return to football (last played here in 1997 - welcome back!). It was then Titus to (WR) Dimitrus Lewis for their second TD (Titus to Bianca for the extra

point). The Saints got marching when (QB) Dave Miller hit (WR) Mel Martinez for six. Martinez made a great catch and had some saying Lachiusa who. Miller had great reason to feel confident as he quickly found out he has a secret weapon in rookie Brian Williamson. Brian made some key catches to keep drive alive throughout the day. The Saints were reminded that those who fail to block John Pierre have their QB's sacked. John reminded them a couple times of that fact. Titus found Bianca for 6 again in the second half when John split the corner and the safety perfectly. Even with Miller and the Saints getting in the groove, they were unable to break into the end zone again. The game ended when the Titans Jeff Blizzard broke a run deep down field, pitched the ball to Scott Titus who pitched the ball a third time to Tim Trostle who took it the rest of the way for the score.



John Bianca scores his second TD of the day.