

# DALLAS DOME



SIR SAINT WILL LEAD US TO VICTORY  
OVER THE EVIL TEAMS OF THE NFC SOUTH

## OFFICIAL 2009 MID-SEASON REPORT

# *THESE SAINTS REALLY ARE GOOD*



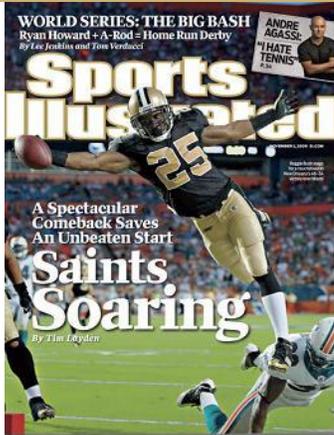
After winning their first eight games of the season with 5 blow-outs and 3 nail-biters, the SAINTS have become the NFL's "elite-squad" for this season. With a commanding 3 game lead in the division, now is the time for the SAINTS to land that knockout punch. In the two games the SAINTS trailed most; they came back like a heavyweight-champ in the final round and delivered a staggering right-hook called the proverbial "4<sup>th</sup> Qtr Comeback". Against the Dolphins the SAINTS outscored Miami 36-10 in the second half. Against the Panthers the Saints threw a 24-3 hay-maker at the "Kittens", sending them to the canvas in disbelief after they had the lead for three quarters of play. If that's not finishing strong, I want you to tell me what is!

What's so amazing about this team is that they're 8-0 for the first time in franchise history and I don't believe they've played their most complete game yet. That's scary! (Except for maybe against the Giants)

In eight games the SAINTS have taken their opponents' best shots and survived all eight. Yet, no team has been able to withstand the SAINTS' knock out blows. This is a balanced team. They've won games with offense; they've won with defense and at key points in the first half of the season the SAINTS got huge plays from special teams. Now the second half of the season opens with New Orleans facing a schedule that has a combined .369 winning percentage and I don't think that any team compares to the "Boyz in Black & Gold". Do you?

The SAINTS are battle tested and they've answered every question, every challenge head on, and they've done so by letting their play on the field do all the talking. The SAINTS are 8-0 but that only guarantees an 8-8 record. Like I said at the start of this piece, it's not how you start, but how you finish and now...here comes the second half. It's a pivotal moment in our club's time. We will either claim our destiny...or fold to losing clubs just as all SAINTS teams have done in the past (which is why some of you are still on the fence) but not bcuz your waiting for them to lose, but bcuz you "expect" them to lose and 42 years of mediocrity will do that, however, this is NOT your father's team.

Ladies & Gentlemen, I give you the 2009 NEW ORLEANS SUPER-SAINTS!!



**On a side note:** St. Louis might be at the bottom of the rankings barrel, but they've got a solid running game and a defense built by the departed defensive genius Jim Haslett that is quite formidable. Make no mistake....these guys will be playing to knock us off the pedestal, and if for no other reason, but to lose that "cupcake" label and it certainly doesn't help that they haven't won on their home turf since a 34-14 win over the Dallas Cowboys on Oct. 19 last year. Their home losing streak stands at eight games. Coincidence that we're facing them now....I think not.

1. New Orleans Saints: And still, no one has found the kryptonite to stop these SUPER-SAINTS!!
2. Indianapolis Colts: Manning's boys pulled out another squeaker at home to remain on the "unbeaten" list but their playing Brady & the Pats this week so that could be all she wrote unless Brady comes down with the flu.
3. Minnesota Vikings: General "Turncoat" & his clan had off last week but they're sitting at 7-1, so don't forget about them.
4. Cincinnati Bengals: It's only a matter of time before these guys fall of the list.
5. Pittsburgh Steelers: Just as I said last week; these guys knocked off the Broncos and stand to be a formidable foe for the rest of the AFC, and soon, they'll be in 4<sup>th</sup> place on this list.
6. New England Patriots: OK, OK, you all know how I feel about the Pats, but this week, we actually need them to win. They're playing the Colts for interstellar AFC galactic dominance, but I don't care about that, I just want to see the Colts take a loss, leaving us up-at-the-top alone.
27. St. Louis Rams: This club ranks 26<sup>th</sup> in total offense, 27<sup>th</sup> in total defense and dead last in total points scored (avg. only 9.6 points per game) and that's what makes them dangerous. They'll do anything to shed these averages!



**“I’m a complete idiot! Why didn’t I hire you sooner?” - Owner Tom Benson**

**“I was trapped in Dallas working for that Evil Empire.” - Coach Sean Payton**

**New Orleans Saints Injury-Report as of 11/12/2009:**

- LCB Jabari Greer sustained a slight groin injury in the fourth quarter Sunday. CB Randall Gay, who comes on the field in the nickel package, moved into Jabari Greer's spot in the base defense Sunday.
- Wide receiver Marques Colston has the flu and did not practice on Wednesday.
- Offensive lineman Zack Strief was also out with the flu and didn't practice Wednesday.
- Safety Darren Sharper was sidelined with a knee injury.
- Cornerback Jabari Greer is nursing his groin.
- Receiver Lance Moore didn't practice on Wednesday bcuz of the ankle-injury already sustained.
- Center Jonathan Goodwin was sidelined with a hurt ankle.
- Linebacker Scott Fujita did return to practice, but was limited with a calf injury and DT Sedrick Ellis has missed the last three games with a sprained right knee, and will probably not return until the Pats game.
- K Garrett Hartley injured his ankle in practice late last week and did not play against the Panthers. He had been a healthy inactive for the three previous games.

# SAINTS

# WHO-DAT GAMEDAY TRIVIA RE-VISITED

(This is the complete list of all the ?'s asked for the Beer-Bucket Winners so far.)

**Trivia Question for Week #1:** Who is the NFL's All-Time Leading Scorer?

Hall of Fame Kicker, Morten Anderson (2,544 points)

**Trivia Question for Week #2:** Who did the SAINTS face in their very first Play-off game ever?

Minnesota Vikings, Jan. 3, 1988 (1987 Season)

**Trivia Question for Week #3:** What jersey number did Hall of Fame Linebacker Sam Mills wear?

#51

**Trivia Question for Week #4:** In what year was Head Coach Jim Mora inducted into the SAINTS Hall of Fame?

2002

**Trivia Question for Week #6:** In 1992, the SAINTS went to the Playoffs for the last time under Coach Jim Mora. What was their final regular season record?

12-4

**Extra Question for Week #6:** During the 2003 season the "Deuce was on the Loose" as he set a record for consecutive 100 yard rushing games. How many did he ring-up in a row from Sept to Nov of that year?

9 - Deuce McAllister (9/28/03 through 11/30/03)

**Trivia Question for Week #7:** Before WR Joe Horn became the SAINTS All-Time Leading Receiver it was Eric Martin. What was his jersey number?

#84

**Trivia Question for Week #8:** In 1991 the SAINTS had their first 7-0 start ever. Who was the NFL's Defensive Player of the Year for that season?

New Orleans Saints LB, Pat Swilling

**Trivia Question for Week #9:** In 2000, the SAINTS won their first Playoff game in franchise history against the St. Louis Rams. Who did the SAINTS beat the previous week to win the Division and finish 10-6?

The St. Louis Rams. (It was the first time in NFL history that two teams would meet back-to-back games to decide the division winner & a Playoff winner.)

**Extra Question for Week #9:** In 2006, Drew Brees set a new SAINTS record for passing yards in a single season (4,418 total yards). Whose record did he break?

QB Jim Everett's set in 1995



“Come to *The Quarter* and eat MORE food with me!” - Mr. Funny Face



“Good idea, maybe I’ll take the Cowboys coaching job so I can eat at *The Quarter* all the time.” - Atlanta Coach Mike Smith

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## DALLAS DOME WHO-DATS’ FAN QOUTES!

### Before the Lions game:

“If we lose today it’s free drinks all around....but I wouldn’t count on it.” - Bev D.

### During the Lions game:

“OMG, I won? I never win anything!” - Jill Z. (she has won something from the raffle 3 more times since)

### After the Lions game:

“Rich, I was kind of worried about that game for awhile.” - Juan (I replied; “Are you kidding? It’s Detroit.”)

### After the Eagles game:

“Those wings got clipped!! That’s what I’m talking about! Their dirty birds too!” - Derek W.

### During the Bills game:

“We got this one. It’s over. Where’s our waitress? We haven’t eaten yet.” - Keith M.

### After the Bills game:

“What are you all dancing for? It’s only the 3<sup>rd</sup> game.” - Disgruntled Chicago Bears fan

### Before the Jets game:

“What are you guys worried for? It’s the Jets man....I mean really.” - Russ L.

### After the Jets game:

“Well damn, that’s two NY teams in a row! I like play’n up there!” - Jim A.

### Before the Giants game:

“We’re gonna win by over 20 points....I’m telling ya!” - Rudy D. (The final score had us up by 21.)

**After the Giants game:**

“That’s the third NY team we’ve beat! Do we have any more games up there?” - Jim A.

**During Halftime of the Dolphins game:**

“I got the trash can! It’s mine! It’s mine now!” - Excited raffle Winner

**After Halftime of the Dolphins game:**

“Are you ready for the greatest comeback in Saints history?!!!!” - Rich M. a.k.a. “The Saintsguy”

**Before the Falcons game:**

“Alex (disgruntled Bears fan) called my phone and I said; ‘You’ve reached the home of the Undefeated New Orleans Saints!’” - Rudy D.

**During the Falcons game:**

“He said it Rich. I heard him say; ‘Pat Swilling’!” - Russ L.

**After the Falcons game:**

“We were watching it at the house and I said; ‘Damn, we gotta get up there for this, so here we are.’” - Hank H.

**During the Panthers game:**

“Welcome to Thunder-Dome bitch!” - Rich M. (This was heard just as Will Smith sacked QB Jake Delhomme)

**Just before halftime of the Panthers game:**

“I feel better now that I put this on.” - Nikki (who came to The Quarter wearing ‘blue’ and changed into a Brees jersey)

**After the Panthers game:**

“If you buy me this Saints shirt I’ll wear it all the time.” - Janet the Bartender



**DALLAS DOME WHO-DAT WEEKLY FAN TOTALS:**

SAINTS fans for Lions game:	52
SAINTS fans for Eagles game:	35 (televised game)
SAINTS fans for Bills game:	65
SAINTS fans for Jets game:	90
SAINTS fans for Giants game:	83
SAINTS fans for Dolphins game:	71
SAINTS fans for Falcons game:	65 (televised game)
SAINTS fans for Panthers game:	79



“You guys are the best!” - Will Smith

”Thanks for coming!” -Reggie Bush

“You’ll are doing an outstanding job as fans!” - Coach Payton



“I should start wearing black & gold like Jennifer.” - Nick the Bartender



“Yeah, you should. The SAINTS rule....Cowboys drool.” - Jen the Waitress



“Jen’s right, Nick. I think I’ll switch too!” - “Neely” the Waitress



“You guys are slow....I’ve been wearing ‘black’ all season!” - “Tomey”

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Join me on Nov. 15<sup>th</sup> at 12pm to watch the “Aerial Assault” annihilate the St Louis Rams.... *The Quarter* will be **giving away a bucket of beer** in the trivia contest just like every week along with an EXTRA TRIVIA QUESTION with a free bottle of wine for the winner. I’ll have even more SAINTS stuff to raffle off so come on up where everybody knows your name & your team will always WIN their game!!



## Game Day Specials include....

\$12 Coors Light buckets

\$13 Miller Lite, Bud Light, Budweiser, MGD64 buckets

\$3 wells

Half-price pizza and don't forget....The Bloody Mary BAR

NEW MENU ITEMS - Char-grilled Oysters (just like Drago's), Oysters on the Half-shell, Oysters Rockefeller, fried crabclaws, sloppy roast beef po-boy, soft shell crab po-boy and crab cakes.



“Super Bowl here we come!” - Rudy D.



Why would you want to go anywhere else?



***THE QUARTER IS OUR HOUSE!!***