



## **PITTSBURGH STEELERS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS**

### **HARD ROCK STADIUM**

### **OCT. 16, 2016 | 1 PM ET**

### **POSTGAME NOTES**

#### **Miami Dolphins in the Community: Hometown Huddle**

**EVENT:** 10 a.m. – 12 p.m., Tuesday, Oct. 18, 2016

**WHERE:** Bob Graham Education Center – 15901 NW 79th Avenue, Miami Lakes, FL 33016

**DETAILS:** The Dolphins will host a Hometown Huddle at Bob Graham Education Center on Oct. 18. Dolphins players, alumni and cheerleaders will host students in a Gatorade Junior Training Camp as they participate in several fitness orientated stations and learn the benefits of hydration and staying physically active. Additionally, a UNITY station will be added in honor of UNITY day. The kids will pledge against bullying and create crafts using positive words. The Dolphins are working closely with PACER's National Bullying Prevention Center to spread awareness of bullying prevention and to celebrate Unity Day to be united for kindness, acceptance and inclusion. This is in coordination with a Fins Frenzy, hosted by Dolphins alumnus Twan Russell with mascot T.D. The Dolphins will highlight the importance of education, physical fitness and positive choices.

The Miami Dolphins Youth Programs' mission is to emphasize the importance of education, physical fitness, and positive choices for kids in a safe and fun environment. The Miami Dolphins Youth Programs' vision is to prepare the next generation of leaders in staying physically active through our Junior Training Camps (JTC), Youth Football Clinics, and Youth Football Camps. The goal of the event is to promote Youth Football in the south Florida community. The event is NOT OPEN to the public.

**PARKING:** Media parking is available on site.

**MEDIA NOTE:** Media interested in attending must RSVP by Monday, Oct. 17 at 5 p.m. to Theresa Manahan ([tmanahan@dolphins.com](mailto:tmanahan@dolphins.com)).

#### **The Miami Dolphins Media Schedule for Monday (10/17) and Tuesday (10/18)**

Monday, Oct. 17

- 1:45 p.m., Head Coach Adam Gase available in the media work room
- 2:30 – 3:15 p.m., Open locker room





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Tickets Distributed: 65,351

#### Dolphins vs. Steelers – All-Time Results (Regular Season Only)

With today's win, the Dolphins are now 11-12 against Pittsburgh all-time in the regular season.

#### LAST FIVE MEETINGS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
11/26/07	at Pittsburgh 3, Miami 0
1/3/10	Pittsburgh 30, at Miami 24
10/24/10	Pittsburgh 23, at Miami 22
12/8/13	Miami 34, at Pittsburgh 28
10/16/16	at Miami 30, Pittsburgh 15

#### Notes:

- With today's win, the Dolphins have now won two straight against the Steelers. Miami also defeated Pittsburgh, 34-28, on the road on Dec. 8, 2013.
- QB Ryan Tannehill posted his 31st victory today as a starting quarterback, moving him into sole possession of fourth place on the team's all-time winningest quarterbacks chart. He moves in front of David Woodley, who was 30-14-1 in 45 career starts (including playoffs).
- Today's win was Miami's third in its past four home games, dating back to the 2015 season finale against New England. The last time the Dolphins won three of four home games was in 2014.





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- **RB Jay Ajayi's** 204 rushing yards were the fourth-most in Dolphins history (including playoffs) and the most since **RB Ricky Williams** rushed for 216 yards on Dec. 9, 2002 vs. Chicago.

#### BEST RUSHING PERFORMANCES IN TEAM HISTORY

Player	Date	Opponent	Yards	TDs
Ricky Williams	12/1/02	at Buffalo	228	2
Ricky Williams	12/9/02	vs. Chicago	216	2
Lamar Smith	12/30/00*	vs. Indianapolis	209	2
<b>Jay Ajayi</b>	<b>10/16/16</b>	<b>vs. Pittsburgh</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>2</b>
Reggie Bush	12/18/11	at Buffalo	203	1

\* AFC Wild Card game

- The 204 rushing yards by **RB Jay Ajayi** were also the most by an NFL player this season, 47 yards more than the second-best rushing performance (Arizona RB David Johnson with 157 rushing yards on Oct. 6, 2016 vs. Arizona). The last NFL players to rush for 200-plus yards were Tampa Bay **RB Doug Martin** and Seattle **RB Thomas Rawls**, who rushed for 235 and 209 yards respectively on Nov. 22, 2015.
- **RB Jay Ajayi's** 204 rushing yards marked just the ninth 200-yard rushing performance by an NFL player since 2013 (at the conclusion of today's 1 p.m. games).
- The 62-yard touchdown run by **RB Jay Ajayi** was the longest of Ajayi's career and was Miami's longest running play since Oct. 25, 2015, when **RB Lamar Miller** had an 85-yard touchdown run vs. the Houston Texans. It was the third-longest rush by an NFL player this season (at the conclusion of today's 1 p.m. games).
- With **RB Jay Ajayi's** 33-yard run in the third quarter, he topped the 100-yard mark for the first time in his career. Ajayi's previous career high was 48 yards, set on Nov. 15, 2015 at Philadelphia. Miami's last 100-yard rushing performance was on Dec. 6, 2015 when **RB Lamar Miller** rushed for 113 yards vs. Baltimore.
- **RB Jay Ajayi's** average of 8.16 yards per carry is the second-highest by a Dolphins running back in a single game (minimum 20 carries). The record is 8.44 (27 rushes for 228 yards) by **RB Ricky Williams** against Buffalo on Dec. 1, 2012.





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- Miami's defense limited Steelers QB **Ben Roethlisberger** to a 57.1 quarterback rating, the 15th lowest single-game rating in Roethlisberger's 194-game career (including playoffs). It was his lowest single-game passer rating since Dec. 19, 2011 at San Francisco, when Roethlisberger had a 52.3 passer rating.
- CB **Byron Maxwell** posted a career-high four passes defended today, breaking his previous career high of three, set twice, most recently on Sept. 25, 2016 vs. Cleveland.
- With QB **Ryan Tannehill's** 53-yard completion to TE **MarQueis Gray** in the second quarter, Tannehill now has four games this season with a completion of 50-plus yards. That is a career high, despite this being just the sixth game of the season, breaking his career high of three games set in 2013.
- The 1-yard touchdown run by RB **Damien Williams** just before halftime gave the Dolphins a 16-8 lead going into the break. It was also Williams' first career rushing touchdown. Williams has three career receiving touchdowns and the rushing TD came on his 59th career carry.
- S **Reshad Jones** had his 16th career interception as a member of the Dolphins. It moved him into sole possession of sixth place for career interceptions among Dolphins safeties, trailing only **Jake Scott** (35 interceptions), **Dick Anderson** (34), **Glenn Blackwood** (29), **Louis Oliver** (24) and **Brock Marion** (20).
- K **Andrew Franks** kicked a 30-yard field goal to give Miami a 9-8 lead with 5:33 left in the second quarter. It was Franks' third made field goal of the game, setting a new career high. He made two field goals in four games during the 2015 season – his rookie campaign.
- DE **Andre Branch** had 1.5 sacks in the first quarter today. It is his third-career multiple sack game. His career high is 2.0 sacks accomplished twice earlier in his career with the Jacksonville (9/7/14 at Philadelphia and 12/13/15 vs. Indianapolis).
- TE **MarQueis Gray** caught a career-long 53-yard reception in the second quarter. His previous long was 41 yards as a member of Buffalo on Nov. 30, 2014 vs. Cleveland.
- Today was the first time that twin brothers, Dolphins C **Mike Pouncey** and Steelers C **Maurkice Pouncey**, have ever played each other in a football game. The two always played on the same team together growing up, including in high school at Lakeland (Fla.) High School and the University of Florida. The Dolphins played the Steelers in 2013 but Maurkice missed the game as he was on injured reserve.





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- **DT Ndamukong Suh** started his 100th career game today. Suh is one of just two NFL defensive linemen to start 100 games since 2010, the season that he entered the league (Cincinnati Bengals DT Domata Peko).
- **LS John Denney** extended his consecutive games played streak to 182, the most in franchise history.
- **CB Chimdi Chekwa** and **DT Leon Orr** each played in their first game as Dolphins today. Chekwa played 32 games in four seasons for the Oakland Raiders (2011-14) while Orr played in three contests for the Raiders in 2015.
- **S Reshad Jones**, **LB Mike Hull**, **C Mike Pouncey**, **QB Ryan Tannehill**, **S Michael Thomas** and **DE Cameron Wake** served as today's game captains.
- The following players were inactive today: **S Walt Aikens**, **CB Bené Benwikere**, **TE Jordan Cameron**, **DE Terrence Fede**, **CB Xavien Howard**, **DE Julius Warmesley** and **T Sam Young**.

#### **INJURIES REPORTED IN PRESS BOX**

##### **MIAMI DOLPHINS**

- **TE Dion Sims** – evaluated for a concussion, third quarter – did not return
- **G/T Laremy Tunsil** – cramps (questionable), fourth quarter – returned

##### **PITTSBURGH STEELERS**

- **FS Mike Mitchell** – left knee (questionable), first quarter
- **WR Darrius Heyward-Bey** – cramps (questionable), second quarter
- **QB Ben Roethlisberger** – left knee (questionable), second quarter
- **LB Vince Williams** – heat-related cramps (questionable), fourth quarter

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