1989 EAGLES GAME-BY-GAME REVIEW

(Figures are actual attendance)



The Eagles took advantage of several big plays and a consistent pass rush to defeat the Seattle Seahawks. 31-7, in the season opener at Veterans Stadium. Andre Waters blocked a punt by Ruben Rodriguez on Seattle's first possession to set up the Eagles at the Seahawk's 1-yard line and set the tone for the entire game. From there, Anthony Toney's TD run gave the Eagles a 7-0 lead. Despite allowing Seattle a 1st quarter TD, Philadelphia went on to limit the touted Seahawk ground game to just 77 yards and force Seattle to take to the air. The Birds' pass rush, however, recorded four QB sacks (2 by RDE Clyde Simmons) and helped force 3 interceptions. A Luis Zendejas 23-yard FG in the 2nd quarter gave the Birds a lead they would never relinquish. Philadelphia opened the second half with an 80-yard TD drive and a 24-7 advantage. The Birds' defense then combined with the rushing attack to take control of the game. In the 4th quarter, CB Eric Everett picked off a pass by Kelly Stouffer and returned it 30 yards for a TD to provide the final margin of victory. WR Mike Quick had the 21st 100-yard receiving game of his

Seattle	7	0	0	0	-	7
Philadelphia	7	10	7	7	-	31

Phil — Toney, 1 run (Zendejas kick)

Sea - Largent, 23 pass from Krieg (N. Johnson kick)

Phil - Zendelas, FG 23

Phil - Carter, 8 pass from Cunningham (Zendelas

- Quick, 8 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas kick)

Everett, 30 yard INT return of Stouffer pass

	Eagles	Seahawks
First Downs	. 18	17
Net Yards Gained	365	270
Rushes/Yards	37/131	19/77
Net Yards Passing	234	193
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	27/13/0	41/18/3
Times Sacked/Yards	1/6	4/29
Punts/Avg.	6/45.3	8/38.0
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	1/0
Penalties/Yards	6/52	11/95

RUSHING: EAGLES-Higgs 13-44, Sherman 6-37, Toney 10-30-1TD, Byars 4-8, Cunningham 2-6, Drummond 2-6 . . . SEAHAWKS-Warner 12-47. Williams 6-24, Harris 1-6.

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 27-13-240-0-2TDs . . . SEAHAWKS-Krieg 34-15-210-2-1TD, Stouffer 6-2-8-1-0TD, Rodriguez 1-1-4-0-0TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Quick 6-140-1TD, Carter 3-63-1TD, Byars 1-16, Jackson 1-8, Williams 1-8, Toney 1-5. . . SEAHAWKS-Williams 4-30, Clark 3-63, Tyler 3-61, Skansi 3-24, Blades 2-15, Largent 1-23-1TD, Glasgow 1-4, Warner 1-2.



In one of the most exciting games in NFL history, the Eagles used 5 TD passes and a team-record 447passing yards by Randall Cunningham to rally from a 20-0 deficit and defeat the Redskins, 42-37, at Washington. The 'Skins set the tone early by scoring on their first two offensive plays while the Birds committed turnovers on their first three possessions. By halftime the Birds had fought back to trail 30-14 and, after intermission, scored touchdowns on their second and third possessions but missed a chance to take a lead when Luis Zendejas missed a 33-yard FG attempt. The 'Skins then increased their lead to 37-28 with 3:06 remaining. But the Eagles pulled within 2 points with a 69-yard drive capped by Cunningham's fourth TD pass, this one a "jump ball" toss Mike Quick hauled in among a crowd. Washington's Gerald Riggs seemed to shut the door on the Eagles, however, when he capped his 221-yard rushing day with a 58-yard gallop. But three plays later, Riggs fumbled; the Eagles' Al Harris picked up the loose ball and lateraled to Wes Hopkins who ran 77 yards to the Redskins' 4. On the next play, Cunningham drilled the game-winning TD pass to Keith Jackson to give coach Buddy Ryan his first victory at RFK Stadium.

Philadelphia 7	7	7	21	_	42
Washington 20	10	0	7	-	37

Wash - Clark, 80 pass from Rypien (kick failed)

Wash - Riggs, 41 run (Lohmiller kick)

Wash — Byner, 11 pass from Ryplen (Lohmiller kick)

- Jackson, 17 pass from Cunningham (Zendeias kick)

Wash — Clark, 5 pass from Rypien (Lohmiller kick)

Phil - Toney, 3 run (Zendejas kick)

Wash - Lohmiller, FG 25

Phil - Jackson, 5 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas kick)

Carter, 5 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas kick)

- Monk, 43 pass from Rypien (Lohmiller kick)

- Quick, 2 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas kick)

- Jackson, 4 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas

	Eagles	Redskins
First Downs	. 32	16
Net Yards Gained	474	492
Rushes/Yards	28/65	32/220
Net Yards Passing	409	272
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	46/34/1	23/12/2
Times Sacked/Yards	4/38	2/16
Punts/Avg.	3/29.0	2/51.0
Fumbles/Lost	3/2	4/4
Penalties/Yards	8/61	5/49

RUSHING: EAGLES-Toney 9-24-1TD, Higgs 5-16, Sherman 3-11, Byars 4-8, Cunningham 7-6 . . . REDSKINS-Riggs 29-221-1TD, Morris 2-0, Reaves 1-(-1).

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 46-34-447-1-5TDs . . . REDSKINS---Rypien 23-12-288-2-4TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Jackson 12-126-3TDs. Byars 8-130, Carter 5-79-1TD, Garrity 3-41, Toney 3-25, Quick 2-23-1TD, Sherman 1-15, Higgs 1-8 . . . REDSKINS-Clark 4-153-2TDs, Monk 4-87-1TD, Sanders 2-27, Byner 1-11-1TD, Warren 1-10.



After rallying a week earlier for a victory at Washington, the Eagles got a dose of their own medicine from the defending and eventual Super Bowl Champion 49ers. San Francisco's Joe Montana threw for 428 yards (highest total ever against the Birds) including four 4th quarter TD passes to rally the visitors from 11 points down with 6:36 remaining and defeat the Birds 38-28. The 49ers took an early 7-0 lead on a 68-yard TD pass from Montana to Jerry Rice, but Philadelphia, behind the play of its defense (6 first half sacks) began to control the game and led 12-10 at the half and 18-10 after three quarters. The 49ers gained momentum early in the 4th quarter, however, when Montana hit John Taylor on a short out pattern that turned into a 70-yard TD. The Eagles then retaliated with a TD drive of their own for a 28-17 advantage, but SF took the lead when Montana found Tom Rathman, Brent Jones, and Rice for TDs. Philadelphia's offense had an opportunity to shut the door on the 49ers in the second half but mustered only 3 FGs after reaching SF's 13, 26, and 1-vard line.

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SF - Rice, 68 pass from Montana (Cofer kick)

Phil - Sherman, 2 run (Zendelas kick)

Phil - Safety, Harris tackled Montana in end zone

Phil — Zendejas, FG 35 SF - Cofer, FG 32

Phil - Zendelas, FG 35

Phil - Zendelas, FG 44

Phil - Zendejas, FG 20

SF - Taylor, 70 pass from Montana (Cofer kick)

Phil - Giles, 3 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas kick) SF - Rathman, 8 pass from Montana (Cofer kick)

SF — Jones, 24 pass from Montana (Cofer kick)

SF - Rice, 33 pass from Montana (Cofer kick)

	Eagles	49ers
First Downs	22	19
Net Yards Gained	315	444
Rushes/Yards	37/154	19/59
Net Yards Passing	161	385
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	38/19/1	34/25/1
Times Sacked/Yards	4/31	8/43
Punts/Avg.	7/39.9	4/44.3
Fumbles/Lost	4/2	5/2
Penalties/Yards	4/35	10/70

RUSHING: EAGLES-Cunningham 8-52 Sherman 16-43-1TD, Higgs 6-29, Teltschik 1-23, Buars 6-7 . . . 49ERS-Sudney 4-30, Craig 8-14. Montana 4-14, Rice 1-3, Helton 0-0, Rathman 1-(-

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 38-19-192-1-1TD . . . 49ERS---Montana 34-25-428-1-5TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Sherman 4-53, Byars 3-29. Jackson 3-25. Giles 2-34-1TD. Garritu 2-14. Quick 2-13, Carter 2-13, Johnson 1-11 . . 49ERS-Rice 6-164-2TDs, Taylor 6-136-1TD. Craig 4-20, Jones 3-65-1TD, Rathman 3-19-1TD, Sudney 2-22, Walls 1-2,



In a Monday Night rematch of the 1988 "Fog Bowl" playoff game, the Eagles committed 6 turnovers and could score only one touchdown en route to a 27-13 defeat at the hands of the Bears. Chicago took a 13-0 halftime lead on two Mike Tomczak TD passes as the Eagles were held scoreless in the first half for the first time in 40 games. After a FG by the Eagles' Luis Zendelas cut the margin to 10 early in the second half, Neal Anderson's 2-yard TD run extended Chicago's lead to 20-3. A 24-yd. TD pass from Randall Cunningham to Gregg Garrity put the Birds back in contention and two plays later, Philadelphia had an opportunity to truly climb back into the game after recovering a Bears' fumble. The Eagles moved to a 1st-n-goal at Chicago's 2-yard line, but had to settle for a FG that made the score 20-13. Tomczak responded by marching the Bears to a TD on their ensuing drive to put the game out of reach. Cunningham threw for 401 yards on a clubrecord 62 attempts, but only one pass was for a TD while 4 were intercepted.

Philadelphia	0	0	3	10		13
Chicago	0	13	7	7	-	27

Chi - McKinnon, 14 pass from Tomczak (Butler kick) Chi - Suhey, 1 pass from Tomczak (kick failed)

- Zendejas, FG 47

- Anderson, 2 run (Butler kick)

- Garrity, 24 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas

- Zendejas, FG 19

Chi - Thornton, 36 pass from Tomczak (Butler kick)

	Eagles	Bears
First Downs	~ 23	22
Net Yards Gained	435	374
Rushes/Yards	15/67	34/113

GAME 4 (continued)

Net Yards Passing	368	261
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	62/32/4	38/24/1
Times Sacked/Yards	4/33	1/5
Punts/Avg.	5/41.4	8/38.0
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	2/2
Penalties/Yards	8/65	6/35

RUSHING: EAGLES-Cunningham 5-41, Toney 8-20, Higgs 1-5, Byars 1-1 . . . BEARS--Anderson 23-85-1TD, Sanders 8-23, McKinnon 1-2, Tomczak 1-2. Muster 1-1.

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 62-32-401-4-1TD . . . BEARS-Tomczak 38-24-266-1-3TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Buars 10-87, Carter 8-113, Jackson 6-78, Garrity 4-83-1TD, Williams 2-18, Toney 1-15, Quick 1-7 . . . BEARS-Thornton 5-94-1TD, Gentry 5-48, Suhey 4-18-1TD, McKinnon 3-36-1TD, Boso 3-34, Morris 1-19, Davis 1-9, Sanders 1-5, Anderson 1-3.



The Eagles rebounded from consecutive losses and defeated the Giants 21-19 in a tough, defensive-onented game, Philadelphia began sluggishly, and fell behind 10-0 early in the 2nd quarter after Raul Allegre hit the first of his four field goals and reserve QB Jeff Hostetler threw a TD pass to LB Carl Banks on a fake FG attempt. The Birds got on the board when QB Randall Cunningham leaped over two Giants' defenders on a 5-yard TD run late in the 2nd quarter. The Glants built their lead to 16-7 in the 4th guarter before Cunningham scored his second TD of the game, sweeping left on a 1-yard run. That TD was set up by a 45-yard kick return by Heath Sherman and a 44-yard fake reverse by Anthony Toney. But the Glants immediately upped their lead to 19-14 with a FG. Then, Cunningham (who had thrown for only 47 yards in the first three quarters) led Philadelphia on an 81-yard drive for the winning 2-yard TD run by Toney with 2:18 to play. The Birds' defense then shut the door on New York when William Frizzell intercepted a Phil Simms' pass on 1st down.

New York	3	10	0	6	_	19	
Philadelphia	0	7	0	14	-	21	

NYG --- Allegre, FG 25

NYG - Banks, 22 pass from Hostetler (Allegre kick)

Phil - Cunningham, 5 run (Zendejas kick)

NYG - Allegre, FG 41

NYG - Allegre, FG 45

Phil - Cunningham, 1 run (Zendejas kick)

NYG - Allegre, FG 24

Phil - Toney, 2 run (Zendejas kick)

	Eagles	Giants
First Downs .	18	20
Net Yards Gained	243	323
Rushes/Yards	36/158	25/84
Net Yards Passing	85	239
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	24/10/0	40/22/1
Times Sacked/Yards	2/21	5/24
Punts/Avg.	7/36.6	4/44.0
Fumbles/Lost	4/0	2/0
Penalties/Yards	2/25	6/56

RUSHING: EAGLES-Tonev 12-68-1TD. Cunningham 10-44-2TDs, Byars 11-41, Higgs 3-5 ... GIANTS-Meggett 7-29, Simms 4-29, Anderson 13-25, Carthon 1-1.

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 24-10-106-0-OTD ... GIANTS-Simms 39-21-241-1-0TD. Hostetler 1-1-22-0-1TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Byars 3-16, Carter 2-27, Giles 2-25, Quick 1-21, Garrity 1-15, Toney 1-2 . . . GIANTS-Meggett 6-89, Bavaro 4-32, Ingram 2-26. Anderson 2-11. Banks 1-22-1TD, Baker 1-20. Carthon 1-18, Rouson 1-17, Manuel 1-12, Mowatt 1-7, Cross 1-6, Turner 1-3.



After being held scoreless in the first half for the second time in three weeks, the Eagles rallied to score touchdowns on their first two possessions of the second half en route to a 17-5 victory. Philadelphia's defense, which stretched its streak of quarters without allowing a TD to 8, intercepted Cards' QB Tom Tupa 6 times (each by a different player) and sacked him on 6 other occasions. The Birds were led by DT Jerome Brown, who recorded 10 tackles, 2.5 sacks, forced two fumbles, and recovered another en route to NFC defensive player of the week honors. The Cards took a 5-0 lead in the 2nd quarter when DE Carl Wilson tackled FB Anthony Toney for a safety and Al Del Greco booted a 41-vard FG. But Eagles' RB Keith Byars and TE Kelth Jackson, each of whom had been nursing injuries, returned to the lineup to start the 2nd half and sparked the Birds as QB Randall Cunningham directed consecutive TD drives. The Cards reached Philadelphia territory five times in the 2nd half, but came away empty as the Eagles registered four of their six INTs in that span.

Philadelphia	0	0	14	3	 17	
Phoenix						

Phx - Safety, Wilson tackled FB Toney in end zone Phx - Del Greco, 41 FG

Phil - Carter, 2 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas

Phil - Carter, 40 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas kick)

Phil - Zendelas, 42 FG

Cardinals
. 20
337
30/114
223
41/16/6
6/43
6/42.5
3/2
9/100

RUSHING: EAGLES-Cunningham 7-70, Toney 19-52, Higgs 10-34, Byars 1-6, Carter 1-5, Sherman 1-0 ... CARDINALS-Ferrell 13-54, Tupa 4-30, Jordan 11-28, Sikahema 2-2.

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 29-16-192-3-2TD . . . CARDINALS—Tupa 41-16-266-6-0TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Giles 4-38, Carter 2-42, Garrity 2-31, Jackson 2-18, Byars 1-25, Quick 1-24, Little 1-7, Drummond 1-5, Higgs 1-2, Toney 1-0 . . . CARDINALS-Jones 8-144, Smith 3-54. Ferrell 2-30, Holmes 1-18, Sikahema 1-17, Novacek



The Eagles used interceptions by Izel Jenkins and Byron Evans on back-to-back drives to set up 10 third quarter points en route to their third straight victory. In a hardfought, defensive-oriented game, where the Eagles' offense gained a season-low 195-total yards, the Birds' defense limited the Raiders to 268 yards, and more importantly, just 7 points. In the first half, each team had one sustained drive but failed to capitalize, missing FG tries. In the second half, the Eagles' pass rush (3 sacks) continually hurried QB Jay Schroeder. One rush by DE Reggie White resulted in Jenkins' INT which was returned to the Raiders' 24. After Randall Cunningham's QB sneak made the score 7-0, Steve Beuerlein relieved Schroeder and threw an INT (Evans) which led to 3 more Philadelphia points. The Raiders cut the margin to 10-7 early in the 4th quarter as Beuerlein led an 80-yard drive capped by a 24-yard TD strike to Willie Gault. After the Eagles were unable to move the ball, the Raiders took possession for 7:37 and reached Philadelphia's 15-yard line. But when a key 3rd down sack by Seth Joyner resulted in a loss of 8 yards, Jeff Jaeger narrowly missed a 42-yard FG which could have tied the

Los Angeles	O	0	0	7	_	.7
Philadelphia	0	0	10	0	_	10

Phil — Cunningham, I run (Zendejas kick)

Phil - Zendeias, FG 34

LA — Gault, 24 pass from Beuerlein (Jaeger kick)

	Eagles	Raiders
First Downs	13	20
Net Yards Gained	195	268
Rushes/Yards	32/132	35/126

Net Yards Passing	63	142
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	20/8/0	30/12/2
Times Sacked/Yards	1/1	3/20
Punts/Avg.	6/41.0	4/39.0
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	1/0
Penalties/Yards	6/40	8/60

RUSHING: EAGLES-Toney 15-61, Cunningham 9-57-1TD, Byars 7-16, Higgs 1-(-2) . . . RAIDERS-Jackson 20-79, Smith 10-36, Beuerlein 2-6, Mueller 1-3, Schroeder 2-2.

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 20-8-64-0-OTD . . . RAIDERS-Schroeder 22-7-87-1-OTD. Beuerlein 8-5-75-1-1TD

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Jackson 3-22, Johnson 2-24, Byars 2-15, Toney 1-3 ... RAIDERS-Dyai 2-48, Fernandez 2-25, Mueller 2-25, Smith 2-11, Gault 1-24-1TD, Horton 1-20, Alexander 1-12, Jackson 1-(-3).



The Eagles were able to hold off a late Denver rally and defeated the eventual AFC Champions, 28-24 (the Broncos only home loss in '89). The Birds rushed for a season high 215 yards, including all 96 yards of their opening TD march. On that possession, Keith Byars ran for a 16-yard TD and gained 46 of his game-high 93 yards. An interception by Izel Jenkins on the Broncos' first series led to another Eagles' TD, but Philadelphia squandered opportunities after taking possession inside Denver territory on consecutive 2nd quarter drives. Inspired, Denver cut the margin to 14-7 when John Elway scrambled for a 10-yard TD. After Intermission, Philadelphia struck quickly on their longest play from scrimmage all year as backup TE Jimmie Giles (in for the injured Keith Jackson) turned a short pass from Randall Cunningham into a 66-yard TD. The Broncos surged to a 24-21 lead, however, with less than 10 minutes to play on two Elway TD passes and a FG. After failing to move the ball, Philadelphia punted but immediately regained possession at Denver's 24 when William Frizzell recovered a loose ball that had touched a Denver player. Six plays later, Byars ran for his 2nd TD and Philadelphia led 28-24. Denver had two more possessions but turned the ball over each time.

Philadelphia 14	0	7	7	_	28	
Denver 0	7	10	7	_	24	

Phil - Byars, 16 run (Zendejas kick)

Phil - Carter, 5 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas kicki

Den - Elway, 10 run (Treadwell kick)

Phil - Giles, 66 pass from Cunningham (Zendejas

Den - Johnson, 13 pass from Elway (Treadwell kick) Den - Treadwell, 18 FG

Den - Bratton, 4 pass from Elway (Treadwell kick) Phil — Byars, 1 run (Zendejas kick)

GAME 8 (continued)

	Eagles	Broncos
First Downs	⁻ 17	22
Net Yards Gained	313	320
Rushes/Yards	45/215	20/104
Net Yards Passing	98	216
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	21/11/1	39/19/3
Times Sacked/Yards	4/28	7/62
Punts/Avg.	8/41.0	5/47.0
Fumbles/Lost	4/1	6/3
Penalties/Yards	8/67	4/35

RUSHING: EAGLES—Byars 23-93-2TDs, Cunningham 6-57, Toney 8-38, Higgs 4-17, Sherman 2-4, Drummond 1-3, Johnson 1-3... BRONCOS—Elway 4-45-1TD, Humphrey 12-44, Bratton 3-10, Sewell 1-5.

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 20-11-126-0-2TDs, Cavanaugh 1-0-0-1-0TD . . . BRONCOS—Elway 39-19-278-3-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Byars 3-22, Carter 2-9-1TD, Sherman 2-8, Giles 1-66-1TD, Garrity 1-21, Toney 1-1, Higgs 1-(-1). BRONCOS—Johnson 9-148-1TD, Jackson 4-71, Sewell 3-26, Young 1-18, Mobley 1-11, Bratton 1-4-1TD.



In a textbook example of a game that slipped away, the Eagles squandered numerous chances and lost at San Diego, 20-17. After SD marched 73 yards with the opening kickoff to take a 7-0 lead, Philadelphia moved inside Charger territory on four of their first five possessions, but came away empty each time. On one occasion, the Eagles reached the SD 8 but had a Keith Byars TD nullified by a holding call and Randall Cunningham subsequently fumbled. The Birds' next possession ended at the SD 37 with another INT. Philadelphia got on the board late in the half when Cunningham threw a 4-yd. TD pass to Gregg Garrity who suffered a fractured clavicle on the play. Rookle RB Robert Drummond (filling in for an injured Anthony Toney) made his first pro start a productive one as he led the team in both rushing (14-77) and receiving yardage (5-74). In the 4th quarter. Philadelphia got a 43-yard FG and, following an INT by Eric Allen on the ensuing Charger drive, a 3-yd. TD run by Byars to tie the game with 10 minutes remaining. With 1:48 to play, SD took over at its own 9 and, three plays later, Jim McMahon's 49-yard bomb to Anthony Miller put them at the Birds' 27, Chris Bahr missed a 44-yard FG to apparently force OT, but the play was ruled dead, the result of a false start by a Charger lineman. Bahr then made a 49-yarder to end the Eagles' four-game winning streak.

 SD — Miller, 6 pass from McMahon (Bahr kick)
Phil — Garrity, 4 pass from Cunningham (DeLine kick)
SD — Bahr, 23 FG
SD — Miller, 69 pass from McMahon (Bahr kick)

Phil — DeLine, 43 FG Phil — Byars, 3 run (DeLine kick)

SD — Bahr, 49 FG

	Eagles	Chargers
First Downs	24	17
Net Yards Gained	373	1 358
Rushes/Yards	33/178	26/104
Net Yards Passing	195	254
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	29/19/1	29/14/1
Times Sacked/Yards	5/41	2/10
Punts/Avg.	5/35.8	4/38.0
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	2/2
Penalties/Yards	·8/80	5/30

RUSHING: ÉAGLES—Drummond 14-77, Byars 13-57-1TD, Cunningham 6-44... CHARGERS—Butts 16-72, Spencer 3-19, Brinson 5-7, McMahon 2-6.

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 29-19-236-1-1TD . . . CHARGERS—McMahon 29-14-264-1-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Drummond 5-74, Jackson 4-34, Carter 3-47, Johnson 3-37, Byars 2-33, Giles 1-7, Garrity 1-4-1TD ... CHARGERS—Miller 5-129-2TDs, Walker 2-65, Caravello 2-42, Holland 2-22, Brinson 2-7, Cox 1- (-1).



In a listless offensive performance, the Eagles passed midfield only three times and moved inside Washington's 20-yard line just once, en route to a 10-3 loss. The Birds were held without a touchdown for the only time in 1989. After four straight solid performances, the Eagles' running game mustered only 47 yards while the offense and Randall Cunningham's passing numbers were hampered by 11 dropped passes (after dropping just 16 in the first nine games). The 'Skins opened the scoring with a 34-yard FG by Chip Lohmiller following a fumble by Cunningham on the Birds' opening possession. Washington then took a 10-0 lead early in the 2nd quarter on a 1-vard TD run by Earnest Byner. The big play of the drive was a 24-yard pass from QB Doug Williams to TE Jimmle Johnson on a 4th-n-1 from the Birds' 33, Philadelphia narrowed the Redskin lead to 10-3 on a 49-yard FG by Steve DeLine as time expired in the first half. The second half then became a defensive struggle; Washington continued to keep the Eagles' offense from making big plays and Philadelphia permitted the 'Skins to cross midfield on just 2 of 7 possessions.

Washington 3 7 0 0 - 10 Philadelphia 0 3 0 0 - 3 Wash— Lohmiller, 34 FG . Wash— Byner, 1 run (Lohmiller kick) Phil — DeLine, 49 FG

	Eagles	Redskins
First Downs	. 12	14
Net Yards Gained	204	254
Rushes/Yards	17/47	43/99
Net Yards Passing	157	155
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	39/17/1	24/14/0
Times Sacked/Yards	5/20	1/6
Punts/Avg.	8/38.4	8/45.0
Fumbles/Lost	5/1	1/1
Penaltles/Yards	3/20	9/85

RUSHING: EAGLES—Byars 7-36, Toney 7-11, Cunningham 2-0, Drummond 1-0... REDSKINS— Morrls 38-88, Byner 4-15-1TD, Williams 1-(-4).

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 39-17-177-1-0TD... REDSKINS—Williams 24-14-161-0-0TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Giles 4-29, Johnson 3-52, Byars 3-30, Carter 3-29, Drummond 2-23, Toney 1-8, Williams 1-6... REDSKINS—Sanders 5-48, Morris 3-34, Clark 2-28, Byner 2-19, Johnson 1-24, Monk 1-8.



The Eagles used a ball-control offense and a solid defense that shut down RB Herschel Walker (13-48 rushing) and earned a 10-9 come-from-behind victory. A healthy Keith Jackson, playing his first full game at tight end since week two, was a key factor in the Birds' crisp; short passing game. The Eagles controlled the ball for 36:13 and entered Viking territory on 7 of 11 possessions, but continued to have problems getting into the end zone and was just 1-4 on FGs. The game began disasterously for the Birds, as Walker became the first Eagles' opponent to return a kickoff for a TD since 1974. Walker sprinted 93 yards with the opening kickoff to put Minnesota up 6-0 (the Vikes missed the PAT). The Birds' Steve DeLine cut it to 6-3 with a 34vard FG, but Minnesota went up 9-3 in the 3rd quarter on Rich Karlis' 49-yard FG. In the 4th qtr., RDE Clyde Simmons forced Walker to fumble and Byron Evans recovered. Randall Cunningham then completed 4 of 6 passes, and with 2:32 remaining, tossed a pass to WR Cris Carter who outjumped Carl Lee for a tumbling, one-handed TD grab and a 9-9 tie. DeLine then coverted the PAT for a 10-9 victory.

Minn — Walker, 93 return of kickoff (kick failed)

Phil — DeLine, 34 FG Minn — Karlis, 49 FG

Phil — Carter, 3 pass from Cunningham (DeLine

*.	Eagles	Vikings
First Downs	22	18
Net Yards Gained	270	219
Rushes/Yards	34/91	25/83
Net Yards Passing	179	136
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	43/26/0	34/14/2
Times Sacked/Yards	3/28	2/21
Punts/Avg.	5/32.6	3/44.3
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	3/3
Penalties/Yards	5/50	10/74

RUSHING: EAGLES—Byars 12-41, Toney 8-28, Cunningham 10-8, Carter 1-11, Drummond 3-3 . . . VIKINGS—Walker 13-48, Fenney 11-36, Wilson 1-(-1).

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 43-26-207-0-1TD VIKINGS—Wilson 34-14-157-2-0TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Jackson 12-87, Byars 6-48, Carter 4-27-1TD, Drummond 3-28, Johnson 1-17. VIKINGS—Carter 6-73, Fenney 3-28, Lewis 2-17, Walker 1-24, Jones 1-8, Jordan 1-7.



In front of a national television audience on Thanksgiving Day, the Eagles put together their best defensive effort of 1989 and earned their first-ever shutout against Dallas with a 27-0 victory at Texas Stadium. The defense, which set season-bests by holding the Cowboys to 191 yards of total offense and 68 net passing yards, increased its league lead in takeaways after recovering two fumbles and intercepting QB Troy Aikman three times. The affensive line provided excellent protection (0 sacks - the only time in '89), and QB Randali Cunningham was 33-21-234-2TDs passing in only 3 quarters of action. Philadelphia got most of its scoring from Cris Carter (2 TD recepts.) and former Cowboy kicker Roger Ruzek chipped in 2 FGs against his former mates (Ruzek joined the Birds one day before the game). The game will be remembered by many, however, for the opening kickoff of the 2nd half when Dallas' K Luis Zendejas (a former Eagle) collided with Eagle Jessie Small. Dallas alleged that the Eagles placed a bounty on certain Cowboys but the NFL cleared the Eagles of any wrongdoing,

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Phil — Carter, 6 pass from €unningham (Ruzek kick) Phil — Ruzek, 36 FG

Phil — Carter, 18 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick) Phil — Byars, 1 run (Ruzek kick)

Phil - Ruzek, 38 FG

	Eagles	Cowboy
First Downs	22	i
Net Yards Gained	381	19
Rushes/Yards	34/138	-19/123

GAME 12 (continued)

Net Yards Passing Passes/Comp/Had Int. Times Sacked/Yards Punts/Avg. Fumbles/Lost	243 35/22/0 0/0 4/36.5 3/1 13/95	68 25/9/3 2/8 4/43.7 3/2 7/55
Penalties/Yards	13/95	//55

RUSHING: EAGLES—Cunningham 5-46, Toney 11-44, Higgs 3-18, Sherman 3-16, Drummond 2-11, Byars 8-6-1TD, Cavanaugh 2-(-3)... COWBOYS—Sargent 3-44, Johnston 6-39, Aikman 4-25, Palmer 6-15

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 33-21-234-0-2TDs, Cavanaugh 2-1-9-0-0TD . . . COWBOYS—Alkman 21-7-54-3-0TD, Walsh 4-2-22-0-0TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Byars 8-90, Jackson 5-45, Carter 3-53-2TDs, Johnson 2-26, Toney 2-11, Drummond 1-9, Sherman 1-9 ... COWBOYS—Folsom 4-24, Shepard 3-25, Tautalatasi 1-15, Dixon 1-12.



The Eagles captured first place in the NFC East with a 24-17 victory over the host Glants, the Birds' fourth straight victory over the New Yorkers. Philadelphia's defense led the way by scoring two 1st qtr, touchdowns and later held off a 3rd qtr. rally by NY. The game was played in a 25 MPH wind that made the on the field temperature +2 degrees. On the game's third play, DE Reggie White sacked Glants' QB Phil Simms forcing a fumble that William Frizzell recovered and lateraled to Andre Waters who then scored a touchdown. Two series later, DE Clyde Simmons Intercepted Simms and raced 60 yards for a TD (Simmons' 2nd TD at the Meadowlands in as many seasons). Overall, Philadelphia produced five takeaways and capitalized on four of them for all of their 24 points. In the 3rd qtr., NY scored 10 points to tie the game at 17. The Eagles had several opportunities to take control of the game in that same quarter, but an offsides penalty negated a 86-yard INT return by CB Eric Allen. Facing a 4th down from their own 3 in the 4th qtr., Eagles' QB Randall Cunningham boomed a 91-yard punt, the longest ever by an Eagle and 3rd longest in NFL history. On the next play, Mike Golic sacked Simms and forced a fumble which the Eagles turned into the game-winning TD three plays · later.

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Phil — Waters, 3 fumble return (Ruzek kick)
Phil — Simmons, 60 INT return of Simms' pass
(Ruzek kick)

NYG - Ingram, 41 pass from Simms (Nittmo kick)

Phil — Ruzek, 35 FG

NYG — Nittmo, 38 FG NYG — Anderson, 1 run (Nittmo kick)

Phil — Byars, 2 run (Ruzek kick)

	Eagles	Giants
- 17	13	17
First Downs	279	294
Net Yards Gained	45/149	25/58
Rushes/Yards	130	236
Net Yards Passing	16/9/1	37/11/2
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	1/10	5/29
Times Sacked/Yards	4/43.5	3/50.0
Punts/Avg.	5/1	4/3
Fumbles/Lost	16/111	6/35
Penalties/Yards ·		D . 14.66

RUSHING: EAGLES:—Toney 22-68, Byars 14-66-1TD, Cunningham 5-10, Runager 2-5, Drummond 2-0... GIANTS—Anderson 16-46-1TD, Tillman 8-11, Meggett 1-1.

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 16-9-140-1-0TD . . . GIANTS—Simms 37-11-265-2-1TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Jackson 5-97, Byars 3-12, Johnson 1-31 . . . GIANTS—Manuel 4-126, Ingram 3-83-1TD, Meggett 2-18, Mowatt 1-29, Tillman 1-9.



The 20-10 victory was the Birds' second in three weeks over Dallas and their sixth straight non-strike victory overall vs. the Cowboys. Philadelphia scored first as QB Randall Cunningham hit Cris Carter with a 4-yard TD pass on Carter's trademark fade pattern. Following a short Cowboy possession, the Eagles marched to Dallas' 13 where, on a fake FG, holder and backup QB Matt Cavanaugh lofted a TD pass to Carter. The Eagles defense allowed Dallas just 194 yards of total offense. 80 of which came on a 3rd qtr. TD drive. Special teams play took center stage briefly when the Eagles' Robert Drummond partially blocked a Mike Saxon punt and, in turn, Dallas' Everson Walls blocked the subsequent FG try by Roger Ruzek. Only an excellent play by LB Jessie Small, who ran down WR Bernard Ford from behind, prevented a return of the blocked kick for a TD. While the Eagles added just one takeaway to their leagueleading total, the Birds did manage to sack Alkman 5 times and hurried him on several occasions.

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Phil — Carter, 4 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick) Phil — Carter, 13 pass from Cavanaugh (Ruzek kick)

Dal — Zendejas, 47 FG

Phil — Ruzek, 29 FG Phil — Ruzek, 46 FG

Dal — Johnston, 18 pass from Alkman (Zendejas kick)

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Pu	Eagles	Cowboys
First Dawns	19	14
First Downs	280	194
Net Yards Gained	35/122	23/87
Rushes/Yards	158	107
Net Yards Passing	32/18/0	30/17/0
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	4/25	5/45
Times Sacked/Yards	7/38.9	8/35.0
Punts/Avg.	3/0	2/1
Fumbles/Lost		12/107
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RUSHING: EAGLES—Toney 17-49, Cunningham 6-47, Byars 11-35, Carson 1-(-9)... COWBOYS—Aikman 6-60, Palmer 9-19, Sargent 3-5, Tautalatasi 1-3, Johnston 4-0.

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 31-17-170-0-1TD, Cavanaugh 1-1-13-0-1TD... COWBOYS—Aikman 30-17-152-0-1TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Byars 6-42, Carter 4-44-2TD, Jackson 3-57, Johnson 3-34, Toney 2-6... COWBOYS—Dixon 6-69, Johnston 3-23-1TD, Ford 2-35, Folsom 2-9, Tautalatasi 2-(-3), Palmer 1-13, Burbage 1-6.



The Eagles fell out of first place in the NFC East with a 30-20 loss at New Orleans in a Monday Night matchup. Indeed, the Saints beat the Eagles at their own game making and capitalizing on takeaways. Philadelphia's offense coughed up 2 fumbles and 2 INTs which resulted in 14 Saints' points, while the defense could muster just one INT. After the Saints turned two Birds' gifts into TDs early in the 2nd atr., Philadelphia responded with an 80-yard TD drive bolstered by a 60yard catch-n-run from QB Randall Cunningham to RB Keith Buars. The defense then shut down the Saints on three plays and, after a 28-yard punt return by Anthony Edwards, Philadelphia botched a 1st-and-goal situation at the Saints' 8 and had to settle for a FG. Just before halftime, Cunningham was sacked in the end zone for a safety to put the Saints up 16-10. After intermission, Cunningham hit TE Dave Little for a 1-yard TD and a 17-16 lead. On their next possession, the Birds again had 1st-n-goal, but earned only a FG. The Saints then rallied for two unanswered 4th qtr. TDs and the victory.

Philadelphia	0	10	10	0	- :	20
New Orleans	7	9	0	14	- :	30

NO — Martin, 17 pass from Fourcade (Andersen kick)

NO — Hilliard, 35 pass from Fourcade (Andersen kick)

Phil — Johnson 13 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)

Phil — Ruzek, 21 FG

NO — Safety, Warren tackled QB Cunningham in end zone

Phil — Little, 1 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)
Phil — Ruzek, 19 FG

NO — Martin, 20 pass from Fourcade (Andersen kirk)

NO - Jordan, 1 run (Andersen kick)

	Eagles	Saints
First Downs	22	21
Net Yards Gained	408	291
Rushes/Yards	27/127	31/86
Net Yards Passing	281	205

Passes/Comp/Had Int.	40/20/2	35/18/1
Times Sacked/Yards	4/36	5/31
Punts/Avg.	3/35.7	8/46.6
Fumbles/Lost	4/2	3/0
Penalties/Yards	7/62	6/50

RUSHING: EAGLES—Cunningham 8-92, Byars 10-28, Toney 9-7 . . . SAINTS—Hilliard 24-45, Fourcade 4-37, Jordan 3-4-1TD.

PASSING: EAGLES—Cunningham 39-19-306-2-2TDs, Cavanaugh 1-1-11-0-0TD ... SAINTS—Fourcade 35-18-236-1-3TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES—Byars 6-109, Jackson 5-45, Johnson 4-63-1TD, Edwards 2-74, Giles 1-17, Carter 1-8, Little 1-1-1TD, ... SAINTS—Martin 9-120-2TDs, Hilliard 3-52-1TD, Brenner 3-21, Perriman 1-26, Tice 1-15, Frazier 1-2.



With a win needed to guarantee a second consecutive trip to the playoffs, the Eagles overcame the bitter cold and defeated the visiting Phoenix Cardinals 31-14 at Veterans Stadium. The Cards took an early 7-0 lead on a TD pass from Gary Hogeboom to Roy Green after Randall Cunningham had thrown an interception deep in Phoenix territory on the Birds' first drive. The Eagles, however, recovered to score 3 TDs and lead 21-7 with less than a minute remaining in the half. (One TD came when the Eagles, facing a 39-yard FG attempt, tried a fake FG . . . but, when the snap was too low for holder Matt Cavanaugh, K Roger Ruzek picked up the ball and completed a 22-yard TD pass to WR Cris Carter). Right before the half, however, the Cards put together a 65yard TD drive. After Intermission, the Eagles' "D" began to dominate and prevented the Cards from moving the ball consistently while their own offense did just that. Philadelphia finished with a season-high 267 yards on the ground. Heath Sherman had a seasonlongest 37-yard run and Anthony Toney led the team with a season-high 82 yards rushing. The defense helped seal the victory in the 4th qtr. as Byron Evans and Eric Everett made end zone INTs. The win propelled the Eagles into the Wild Card playoff game.

Phx — Green, 6 pass from Hogeboom (Del Greco kick)

Phil - Cunningham, 14 run (Ruzek kick)

Phil - Carter, 22 pass from Ruzek (Ruzek kick)

Phil — Drummond, 4 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)

Phx — Green, 36 pass from Hogeboom (Del Greco

Phil - Ruzek, 39 FG

Phil — Sherman, 7 run (Ruzek kick)

GAME 16 (continued)

	Eagles	Cardinals
First Downs	26	14
Net Yards Gained	432	265
Rushes/Yards	46/267	20/68
Net Yards Passing	165	197
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	37/20/1	29/13/2
Times Sacked/Yards	2/19	4/32
Punts/Avg.	4/37.3	6/39.8
Fumbles/Lost	0/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	4/35	4/20
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RUSHING: EAGLES-Toney 17-82, Sherman 9-66-1TD, Cunningham 8-41-1TD, Reichenbach 1-30, Drummond 7-27, Higgs 3-18, Byars 1-3 . . . CARDINALS-Ferrell 16-55, Sikahema 4-13.

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 36-19-162-1-1TD, Ruzek 1-1-22-0-1TD . . . CARDINALS-Hogeboom 28-12-212-2-2TDs, Tupa 1-1-17-0-

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Toney 5-48, Drummond 5-41-1TD, Carter 3-51-1TD, Byars 3-17, Jackson 2-6, Carson 1-12, Giles 1-9 . . . CARDINALS-Jones 5-76, Green 3-63-2TDs, Sikahema 2-35, Novacek 1-30, Ferrell 1-17, Usher 1-8.



In the first NFL playoff game played at Veterans Stadium since December, 1981, QB Jim Everett threw two first quarter touchdown passes and the Los Angles Rams went on to a 21-7 victory. After the Rams took a 14-0 lead on their first two drives, Philadelphia's defense settled in and - despite LA's frequent good field position - sufficiently shut down the visitors, allowing the Eagles to stay within reach. The Birds' offense, however, was unable to mount a solid drive and made only three first downs in the 1st half. Philadelphia had

a scoring opportunity, however, as Izel Jenkins Intercepted an Everett pass and returned it to midfield with 2:00 remaining in the half; but Philadelphia was forced to punt for the 6th time in the half. After intermission, the Eagles moved into Ram territory on their first three possessions with the second resulting in a missed 48yard FG, and the third in a one-yard TD run by Anthony Toney that cut the Rams' advantage to 14-7. Seth Joyner's INT on the Rams' next series gave the Eagles a chance to tie the score, but the offense again sputtered. Any chances of an Eagles' comeback were dashed when Greg Bell scampered 54 yards and then scored on a 7-yard run two plays later to give Los Angeles a 21-7 lead with 2:46 remaining.

Los Angeles	14	. 0	0	7	-	21
Philadelphia	0	0	0.,	7		7

LA - Ellard, 39 pass from Everett (Lansford kick) LA - Johnson, 4 pass from Everett (Lansford kick) Phil - Toney, 1 run (Ruzek kick)

LA - Bell, 7 run (Lansford kick)

	Eagles	Rams
First Downs	14	19
Net Yards Gained	306	409
Rushes/Yards	20/95	36/144
Net Yards Passing	211	265
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	40/24/1	33/18/2
Times Sacked/Yards	2/27	2/16
Punts/Avg.	9/36.3	7/37.0
Fumbles/Lost	6/2	1/1
Penalties/Yards	4/35	1/5

RUSHING: EAGLES-Sherman 9-44. Cunningham 6-39, Toney 5-12-1TD . . . RAMS-Bell 27-124, McGee 2-18, Everett 7-2,

PASSING: EAGLES-Cunningham 40-24-238-1-OTD . . . RAMS-Everett 33-18-281-2-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES-Byars 9-68, Toney 4-35, Jackson 3-47, Johnson 2-38, Sherman 2-18, Carter 2-16, Garrity 2-16 ... RAMS-Ellard 4-87-1TD, Holohan 4-37, Delpino 3-31, McGee 3-22, Anderson 2-77, Bell 1-23, Johnson 1-4-1TD.



HONORS RECEIVED BY EAGLES IN 1989

(in alphabetical order)

CB Eric Allen

- Selected to AFC-NFC Pro Bowl
- First Team All-NFL (Associated Press) (Football Digest) (Pro Football Weekly)
- First Team All-NFC (Football News) (Pro Football Weekly) (United Press International)
- Second Team All-NFL. (College & Pro Football Newsweekly)
- Eagles' All-80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

DT Jerome Brown

- NFC Defensive Player of the Week (10/15 at Phoenix - chosen by NFL)
- All-Madden Team
- (CBS-TV analyst John Madden)
 Eagles' All-80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

OB Randall Cunningham

- · Starter in AFC-NFC Pro Bowl
- All-Madden Team (CBS-TV analyst John Madden)
- · Miller Lite NFL Player of the Week (9/17 at Wash. - chosen by NFL)
- NFC Offensive Player of the Week (9/17 at Wash. - chosen by NFL)
- · Eagles' All-80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

LB Britt Hager

Eagles' Special Teams MVP (selected by teammates)

T Ron Heller

Eagles' Offensive MVP (selected by teammates)

FS Wes Hopkins

· Eagles' All-80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

TE Keith Jackson

- · Selected to AFC-NFC Pro Bowl as a starter
- First Team All-NFL (Associated Press) (Football Digest)
 (Pro Football Writers Association) (The Sporting News)

TE Keith Jackson (continued)

- First Team All-NFC (Football News) (Pro Football Weekly) (Untied Press International)
- Secont Team All-NFL (College & Pro Football Newsweekly)
- All-Madden Team
- · Eagles' All-80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

LB Seth Jovner

• Eagles' All-80's Team (Philadelpia Daily News)

WR Mike Quick

- · Eagles' recipient Ed Block Courage Award
- Eagles All 80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

DE Clyde Simmons

- Second Team All-NFL (College & Pro Football Newsweekly)
- Second Team All-NFC
- (United Press International)
- Eagles' Defensive MVP (selected by teammates)

P John Telschik

Eagles' All-80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

DE Reggie White

- · Selected to AFC-NFC Pro Bowl as a starter
- First Team All-NFC (Associated Press) (College & Pro Football Newsweekly)
- (Football Digest) (Football Weekly)
- (Pro Football Writers Association) (Sports Illustrated)
- First Team All-NFC (Football News)
- (Pro Football Weekly) (United Press International) All-Madden Team
- (CBS-TV analyst John Madden)
- NFL Ali-80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)
- Eagles All 80's Team (Philadelphia Daily News)

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 All Madden Team (CBS-TV analyst John Madden)