



NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS

PRESS RELEASE

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PATRIOTS TRAVEL TO PHILADELPHIA FOR WEEK TWO BATTLE

MEDIA SCHEDULE

Monday, Sept. 8

11:45 – 12:15 Coach Belichick Press Availability
in Media Workroom
12:15 – 1:00 Open Locker Room

Tuesday, Sept. 9

Players Off – No Media Availability

Wednesday, Sept. 10

10:45 – 11:15 Coach Belichick Press Availability
in Media Workroom
11:15 – 11:55 Open Locker Room
11:30 Donovan McNabb Conference Call
11:50 Andy Reid Conference Call
12:30 – 12:50 Access to Practice (Photographers
and camera operators only)

Thursday, Sept. 11

10:45 – 11:15 Coach Belichick Press Availability
in Media Workroom
11:15 – 11:55 Open Locker Room
12:30 – 12:50 Access to Practice (Photographers
and camera operators only)

Friday, Sept. 12

10:30 – 11:00 Coach Belichick Press Availability
in Media Workroom
11:00 – 11:35 Open Locker Room
12:00 – 12:15 Access to Practice (Photographers
and camera operators only)

Saturday, Sept. 13

Travel to Philadelphia – No Media Availability

Sunday, Sept. 14

4:15 Patriots at Philadelphia Eagles

Monday, Sept. 15

11:45 – 12:15 Coach Belichick Press Availability
in Media Workroom
12:15 – 1:00 Open Locker Room

2003 PATRIOTS SCHEDULE

Sun., Sept. 7	at Buffalo	L	0-31
Sun., Sept. 14	at Philadelphia	4:15	CBS
Sun., Sept. 21	N.Y. Jets	1:00	CBS
Sun., Sept. 28	at Washington	1:00	CBS
Sun., Oct. 5	Tennessee	1:00	CBS
Sun., Oct. 12	N.Y. Giants	1:00	FOX
Sun., Oct. 19	at Miami	1:00	CBS
Sun., Oct. 26	Cleveland	1:00	CBS
Mon., Nov. 3	at Denver	9:00	ABC
Sun., Nov. 9	BYE WEEK		
Sun., Nov. 16	Dallas	8:30	ESPN
Sun., Nov. 23	at Houston	1:00	CBS
Sun., Nov. 30	at Indianapolis	1:00	CBS
Sun., Dec. 7	Miami	4:15	CBS
Sun., Dec. 14	Jacksonville	1:00	CBS
Sat., Dec. 20	at N.Y. Jets	8:30	ESPN
Sat., Dec. 27	Buffalo	1:30	CBS

NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS at PHILADELPHIA EAGLES

Sunday, Sept. 14, 2003 ★ Lincoln Financial Field (68,532) ★ 4:15 p.m.

The Patriots (0-1) head to Philadelphia this week to take on the Philadelphia Eagles (0-1). New England returns to Lincoln Financial Field just 23 days after defeating Philadelphia 24-12 in a preseason matchup in the first football game at the Eagles new home. Despite the teams' recent preseason history, they will face off in the regular season for just the second time in over 12 years.

The Patriots will look to prove that last week's season opening loss in Buffalo was not representative of the kind of football they're capable of playing. After falling behind early to an improved Bills team, the Patriots came up empty despite marching into Buffalo's half of the field on five of their six second-half possessions. This week, New England hopes to close out its drives and find the momentum that proved to be elusive in the season opener.

With 15 games left, the long haul of the NFL season is still just beginning and the Patriots know that seasons are not won or lost in a single game.

"That's not us," said quarterback Tom Brady after the season opener. "We have to be better and we will be better. There's confidence that we're a different team than that."

This week against the Eagles, the Patriots take aim at putting their opening struggles behind them before returning to Gillette Stadium for the home opener against the New York Jets on Sept. 21.

TELEVISION: This week's game will be televised by CBS. The game can be seen locally on WBZ-TV Channel 4 in Boston. **Greg Gumbel** will handle the play-by-play duties and **Phil Simms** will provide analysis. **Armen Keteyian** will provide reports from the sidelines throughout the game. Following the game, the Fifth Quarter postgame show can be seen on WSBK-TV Channel 38 in Boston.

RADIO: WBCN 104.1 FM is the flagship station for the Patriots Rock Radio Network. Play-by-play broadcaster **Gil Santos** is in his 27th season as the voice of the Patriots, and calls the action along with Patriots Hall of Famer **Gino Cappelletti**. In 2003, Santos and Cappelletti celebrate their 20th season as a broadcast tandem. A complete listing of WBCN's Patriots Rock Radio Network affiliates can be found on page 7 of this press release.

NATIONAL RADIO: This week's game will be broadcast nationally by Westwood One Radio. **Dave Sims** and **Jack Ham** will call the action from Lincoln Financial Field.

PATRIOTS VS. NFC

New England is 7-2 in its last nine games against NFC opposition, dating back to the 2001 season. The seven wins in nine games includes the Patriots' Super Bowl XXXVI win over St. Louis. The Patriots have won three straight games against the NFC and finished 3-1 in their four interconference games in 2002, defeating the Chicago Bears 33-30 (Nov. 10), the Minnesota Vikings 24-17 (Nov. 24) and the Detroit Lions 20-12 (Nov. 28). Their only loss against the NFC was a 28-10 decision against the Green Bay Packers (Oct. 13). The Patriots posted a matching 3-1 record against the NFC in 2001.

A RATING VICTORY

The Patriots lost to the Bills last weekend, but still claimed a viewership victory. In a sports-dominated weekend in Boston, the Patriots claimed the top spot in the weekly television ratings, scoring a 20.0 local rating (46 share). Nationwide, Week One games claimed the top ratings spot against all programming for the week in 28 of the 30 NFL markets.

Rk	Week of Sept. 1-7 (Network)	Rating (Share)
1.	Patriots/Buffalo (CBS)	20.0 (46)
2.	Red Sox/Yankees – Friday (WSBK)	15.4 (27)
3.	Fox Saturday Baseball Postgame (FOX)	15.0 (40)
4.	The NFL Today (CBS)	14.1 (32)
5.	Red Sox/Yankees – Saturday (FOX)	13.1 (37)
6.	CSI (CBS)	11.6 (17)

Note: Each ratings point represents one percent of the 2.1 million homes in the Boston TV market.





THIS WEEK: PATRIOTS VS. EAGLES

SERIES HISTORY

The Patriots and Eagles will meet for the ninth time in the regular season and for just the second time since 1991. Philadelphia has won five straight games in the series, with the Patriots' most recent victory coming in 1978. The Eagles are one of only four NFL teams that the Patriots have not defeated since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994. The teams have faced off just once over that span, with the Eagles claiming a 24-9 win at Veterans Stadium in 1999.



Despite their lack of recent regular season matchups, New England and Philadelphia have clashed frequently in the preseason, having played six times in the past nine years. The Patriots currently own a five-game preseason winning streak dating back to 1996. The two teams squared off this preseason, with the Patriots taking a 24-12 win in the first football game at Lincoln Financial Field on Aug. 22, 2003.

PHILADELPHIA 6, NEW ENGLAND 2

Date	Result	+/-	Stadium
11/04/73	Eagles 24, Patriots 23	-1	Veterans
11/27/77	Patriots 14, Eagles 6	+8	Foxboro
10/08/78	Patriots 24, Eagles 14	+10	Foxboro
09/13/81	Eagles 13, Patriots 3	-10	Veterans
12/09/84	Eagles 27, Patriots 17	-10	Veterans
11/29/87	Eagles 34, Patriots 31 (OT)	-3	Foxboro
11/04/90	Eagles 48, Patriots 20	-28	Veterans
12/19/99	Eagles 24, Patriots 9	-15	Veterans

SERIES TRENDS

Record in Philadelphia	PHI 5, NE 0
Record in New England	NE 2, PHI 1
Total Points in Regular Season Series	PHI 190, NE 141
Patriots Largest Margin of Victory	10 pts (1978)
Patriots Largest Margin of Defeat	28 pts (1990)
Longest Patriots Win Streak	2 games (1977-78)
Longest Patriots Losing Streak	5 games (1981-Present)
Current Streak – Eagles, five-game winning streak	

THE LAST TIME

Philadelphia 24, New England 9 – December 19, 1999

The Patriots fell in Philadelphia by a 24-9 score in Week 15 of the 1999 season in the most recent meeting between the teams. Eagles then-rookie quarterback Donovan McNabb was inactive for the game with a knee injury, but Koy Detmer started in his place and led Philadelphia to the win. The Patriots committed seven turnovers (4 interceptions, 3 fumbles) and the Eagles took advantage of the miscues to win.

Troy Brown caught five passes for 105 yards in recording his second career 100-yard receiving game, and quarterback Drew Bledsoe threw for 331 yards in the losing effort. But Bledsoe also threw four interceptions as the Patriots couldn't quite mount a successful comeback.

The day started out on the wrong foot for the Patriots as Tony Simmons fumbled the opening kickoff and the Eagles converted the turnover into a field goal and a quick 3-0 lead. A turnover hurt the Patriots again late in the first quarter, when a Jeremiah Trotter interception led to a 50-yard touchdown pass from Detmer to Torrance Small on the next play. A pair of second-quarter field goals by Adam Vinatieri cut the Eagles' lead to 10-6, and after the Patriots recovered a fumble on the ensuing kickoff, things looked promising. But the Eagles came up with another interception on the next play and a touchdown one play after that to give them a 17-6 lead going into halftime.

The second half began with promise as another Vinatieri field goal pulled the Patriots closer, but that was as close as they would come. The Eagles scored another touchdown late in the third quarter and two fourth-quarter interceptions sealed New England's fate.

TALE OF THE TAPE

2003 Regular Season	New England	Philadelphia
Record	0-1	0-1
Divisional Standings	T-2nd	T-3rd
Total Yards Gained	239	245
Total Offense (Rank)	239.0 (28)	245.0 (26)
Rush Offense	105.0 (12)	121.0 (11)
Pass Offense	134.0 (26)	124.0 (27)
Points Per Game	0.0	0.0
Total Yards Allowed	319	328
Total Defense	319.0 (18)	328.0 (20)
Rush Defense	104.0 (20)	90.0 (14)
Pass Defense	215.0 (T-16)	238.0 (20)
Points Allowed/Game	31.0	17.0
Possession Avg.	26:10	22:21
Sacks Allowed/Yards Lost	2/20	3/24
Sacks Made/Yards	2/15	0/0
Interceptions By	1	1
Penalties Against/Yards	12/121	3/25
Punts/Avg.	5/41.6	7/38.1
Takeaway/Giveaway Ratio	-2	-1

WE'RE BACK

The Patriots will return to Lincoln Financial Field just 23 days after their 24-12 win over the Eagles in the preseason on Aug. 22. In a scheduling rarity, the Patriots will play both the Eagles and the Washington Redskins on the road in both August and September. The last time the Patriots played the same team at the same venue in consecutive months was in August and September of 2000, when the Tampa Bay Buccaneers traveled to Foxborough twice in three weeks.

UNFAMILIAR FOE

The Patriots and Eagles have faced off in the regular season just once since the beginning of the 1991 season. New England played Philadelphia in 1999 in the teams' only meeting in the past 12 seasons. With the new NFL scheduling format that took effect last season, the Patriots and Eagles will now face off once every four years, eliminating the scheduling aberration. This season, the Patriots will get reacquainted with some old foes as they play four teams they have played two times or less since the beginning of the 1991 season.

Team	Times played Since 1991	Year(s)
Philadelphia Eagles*	1	1999
Washington Redskins*	1	1996
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	2	2000, 1997
New York Giants*	2	1999, 1996
Dallas Cowboys*	2	1999, 1996

*-2003 opponent

KRAFT ERA SUCCESS

The Patriots have defeated 28 of the 31 different teams they have played since Robert Kraft purchased the team in 1994. The Eagles are one of just four NFL teams the Patriots have not beaten in the Kraft Era. The list excludes the Houston Texans, whom the Patriots have not yet played. The Patriots have not defeated the Eagles since 1978, but have played them only once since 1994.

Team	Most Recent Victory	Times Played Since 1994
Washington Redskins	1972	1
Philadelphia Eagles	1978	1
Seattle Seahawks	1988	0
Tampa Bay Buccaneers	1988	2

(Includes regular season and postseason games)



THIS WEEK: PATRIOTS VS. EAGLES

CONNECTIONS

- Patriots wide receiver **Troy Brown** was a teammate of Eagles long snapper **Mike Bartrum** at Marshall and also in New England from 1996-99. The two players organized a one-day football camp at Spring Valley HS in Huntington, W.Va., and a golf tournament the following day to benefit each player's charitable endeavors.
- Eagles linebacker **Keith Adams** is the son of former Patriots defensive end **Julius Adams** (1971-85, 87).
- Patriots safety **Je'Rod Cherry** signed with the Philadelphia Eagles (09/20/00) and played in 13 regular season games as well as two postseason contests for Philly in 2000.
- Patriots fullback **Fred McCrary** was originally drafted by the Philadelphia Eagles in the sixth round (208th overall) of the 1995 NFL draft.
- Patriots wide receiver **David Patten** made his first NFL start against the Eagles as a member of the Giants (12/07/1997).
- Patriots rookie nose tackle **Dan Klecko** played his college ball in Philadelphia at Temple.
- Patriots linebacker **Tedy Bruschi** recorded his first career interception against Philadelphia (12/19/99) and also finished that game with 12 tackles.
- Eagles quarterback **Koy Detmer** is the younger brother of former Eagle and current Lions QB Ty Detmer. He joined Ty in becoming the first pair of brothers to each start an NFL game at QB. Patriots quarterback **Damon Huard** and his brother Brock are the only other brother tandem to have each started NFL games.
- **Damon Huard**, while playing for the Dolphins, made his NFL starting debut against Philadelphia (10/24/99).

PATRIOTS – EAGLES QUICK HITS

- The Patriots are facing Philadelphia quarterback Donovan McNabb for the first time in the regular season.
- New England played in Philadelphia just 23 days prior to this week's game. They played in the first football game at Lincoln Financial Field in a preseason matchup on Aug. 22.
- The home team has won seven of the eight games between the two clubs.
- The Patriots are 7-2 against the NFC dating back to 2001, including their 20-17 win over St. Louis in Super Bowl XXXVI.
- New England has posted identical 3-1 records against the NFC in each of the past two seasons.
- The Patriots have won their last three games against NFC opposition (at Chicago 11/10/02, vs. Minnesota 11/24/02, at Detroit, 11/28/02).

PASSING PERFORMANCES

Tom Brady has never faced Philadelphia in the regular season and Donovan McNabb has never lined up against the Patriots. McNabb was injured for the teams' 1999 clash and was replaced by Koy Detmer. The signal callers have started against each other in each of the past two preseasons, with the Patriots winning both games.

Tom Brady vs. Philadelphia (2-0 preseason)

Date	A	C	Yd	%	TD	I	Rating	W/L	Score
08/17/02	19	11	116	.579	0	2	36.2	W	16-15
08/22/03	24	14	148	.583	3	0	116.0	W	24-12
Preseason	43	25	264	.581	3	2	79.9	2-0	

Donovan McNabb vs. New England (0-2 preseason)

Date	A	C	Yd	%	TD	I	Rating	W/L	Score
08/17/02	14	8	59	.571	0	0	67.3	L	15-16
08/22/03	19	12	111	.632	0	0	79.1	L	12-24
Preseason	33	20	170	.606	0	0	74.1	0-2	

2003 PRESEASON PATRIOTS 24, EAGLES 12

August 22, 2003 ★ Lincoln Financial Field (Att: 66,279)

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	10	7	7	0	— 24
Philadelphia Eagles	0	3	0	9	— 12

The Patriots won their third straight game to open the 2003 preseason, defeating Philadelphia 24-12 in the first football game at the Eagles' new Lincoln Financial Field. It was the second straight season the Patriots beat the Eagles in the first game at a new venue, following up a 16-15 win over Philadelphia in the first football game at Gillette Stadium in 2002.

Tom Brady had his most productive outing of the preseason, completing 14 of 24 passes for 148 yards and three touchdowns without an interception in two-and-a-half quarters of work. Brady found David Patten for touchdown completions of 21 and 12 yards as the Patriots built a 17-3 halftime lead. On defense, the Patriots did not allow Philadelphia to score an offensive touchdown, and allowed the Eagles just 51 yards rushing.

As has been the trend this preseason, the Patriots jumped out to a lead in the first quarter. Patriots linebacker Roman Phifer forced Eagles quarterback Donovan McNabb to fumble at the Patriots 25-yard line and the Patriots took possession. New England proceeded to march down the field on a 4-play, 70-yard drive that ended in a 21-yard touchdown from Brady to Patten. Patriots wideout Deion Branch drew a 37-yard pass interference penalty that aided the drive and helped the Patriots claim a 7-0 lead. The Patriots took advantage of another Eagles miscue to score again before the quarter was over. After the Patriots went three-and-out, Philadelphia's Lito Sheppard muffed the punt and New England linebacker Don Davis recovered the football at the Eagles' 14-yard line. The Patriots settled for a 27-yard field goal by Adam Vinatieri to take a 10-0 lead.

The second quarter saw the Eagles chip back with a David Akers field goal that made the score 10-3, but the Patriots responded with a strong drive just before halftime. New England got the ball at its own 26-yard line with 4:31 left and marched to the end zone on a 13-play, 74-yard drive that ended in another touchdown connection between Brady and Patten, this one good for 21 yards and a 17-3 halftime advantage.

As the second half began, the Patriots took firmer command of the game. New England followed up its impressive drive to end the first half with another solid series to open the second half. Brady led the team 61 yards in 12 plays in a touchdown drive that culminated in a 5-yard score from Brady to tight end Daniel Graham, putting the Patriots at a 24-3 advantage.

The Eagles whittled into the Patriots lead in the fourth quarter on a 45-yard field goal by Akers and a 66-yard interception return for a touchdown by Ivory McCoy. But, the Patriots held on for the 24-12 win to improve to 3-0 on the preseason and hand the Eagles their first exhibition loss of 2003.

PRESEASON RESULTS – NEW ENGLAND 8, PHILADELPHIA 8

Date	Result	+/-	Stadium
09/02/68	Eagles 22, Patriots 20	-2	Harvard
08/12/72	Eagles 29, Patriots 20	-9	Veterans
09/08/74	Patriots 27, Eagles 17	+10	Foxboro
08/22/75	Eagles 24, Patriots 10	-14	Veterans
09/05/76	Patriots 27, Eagles 7	+20	Foxboro
08/22/77	Eagles 21, Patriots 10	-11	Veterans
08/24/80	Eagles 23, Patriots 17	-6	Foxboro
08/20/82	Eagles 14, Patriots 7	-7	Veterans
08/23/87	Eagles 19, Patriots 13 (OT)	-6	Foxboro
08/20/88	Patriots 24, Eagles 21	+3	Veterans
08/17/95	Eagles 31, Patriots 7	-24	Veterans
08/18/96	Patriots 37, Eagles 10	+27	Foxboro
08/21/97	Patriots 28, Eagles 14	+14	Veterans
08/29/98	Patriots 24, Eagles 7	+17	Foxboro
08/17/02	Patriots 16, Eagles 15	+1	Gillette
08/22/03	Patriots 24, Eagles 12	+12	Lincoln Financial



LAST WEEK: BILLS 31, PATRIOTS 0

BILLS 31, PATRIOTS 0

September 7, 2003 ★ Ralph Wilson Stadium (Att: 73,262)

	1	2	3	4	Final
New England Patriots	0	0	0	0	— 0
Buffalo Bills	7	14	0	10	— 31

The Patriots began the 2003 season on a sour note by suffering a 31-0 loss to the Buffalo Bills in Orchard Park, N.Y. The Bills controlled the ball for 14-and-a-half minutes in the game's first 16:38, allowing them to build a 14-0 lead. The Patriots were never able to dig out of their early hole despite driving into Buffalo territory five times in their six second half drives. The Bills defense consistently came up with big plays that frustrated New England every time it tried to counter-punch.

Buffalo began the contest with a 9-play, 80-yard drive that ended in a 1-yard touchdown plunge by Travis Henry, putting the Bills in front with 5:02 gone in the game. After the Bills defense forced the Patriots to punt, Buffalo put together a lengthy drive, controlling the ball for 9:28 on a 15-play, 90-yard drive. By the time Buffalo took a 14-0 lead on a 7-yard touchdown pass from Drew Bledsoe to tight end Dave Moore, Buffalo had controlled the ball for 14:30, while the Patriots had possession for just 2:08.

The Bills pulled further ahead in the second quarter after the teams exchanged three-and-outs. Defensive tackle Sam Adams intercepted a Tom Brady pass and rumbled 37 yards for a touchdown that put Buffalo in front 21-0 with 19:46 gone in the game.

The Patriots mounted a charge to get on the board on their next possession, but an interception in the end zone snuffed out the drive. Tom Brady threw a deep ball to David Patten in the end zone that bounced off of Lawyer Milloy's shoulder and landed in the hands of the Bills' Nate Clements, who scraped his feet in the end zone as he was falling out of bounds. After the teams exchanged punts, the Bills got the ball back and were looking for another score when Eugene Wilson picked off a Bledsoe pass for his first career interception as the half expired, sending the teams to the locker room with the Bills holding a 21-0 advantage.

In the second half, the Patriots entered Buffalo territory on five of their six possessions, but were stymied on the scoreboard. Willie McGinest recovered a Travis Henry fumble at the Bills' 22-yard line in the third quarter, but the Buffalo defense clamped down on the Patriots and held them scoreless despite a New England first-and-goal on the Bills' 2-yard line. The next two Patriots drives were snuffed out by Buffalo's Takeo Spikes, who came up with a pair of interceptions in Bills territory. Buffalo posted 10 fourth-quarter points to put the game beyond the reach of any potential Patriots comeback, as the Bills took the season opener, 31-0.

THEY SAID IT

HEAD COACH BILL BELICHICK

(On the season-opening defeat)

"Obviously Buffalo played well. They did a good job. They outplayed us in every phase of the game and I have to give them all the credit in the world."

(On rebounding from the loss)

"We're not looking to November or December or anywhere else. We are looking at Monday before the Eagles game, Tuesday before the Eagles game, Wednesday before the Eagles game and Sunday against Philadelphia. That is really what we are looking at right now. It is short term and it is day-by-day."

(On preparing for the Eagles)

"There is no way to wave the magic wand and have things that happen in seven days happen in one day. It just doesn't work that way. It is going to be a process that we will just have to go through hour-by-hour, day-by-day, and perform better in every area of the game in order to win."

SHUTOUT STRING ENDED

The Patriots were shut out in the season opener against the Bills, ending a string of 159 consecutive games in which they had scored (including playoff games). The last time the Patriots had been shut out was on Nov. 28, 1993, when they lost to the New York Jets 6-0 at Foxboro Stadium. The 159-game streak was the second longest in the AFC heading into the 2003 season. Denver currently leads the AFC with a 176-game scoring streak, dating back to 1992 and including playoff games. The Patriots string was good for the fifth longest in the NFL.

Team	Consecutive games without a shutout	Date of last shutout
San Francisco	447	10/09/77
Green Bay	203	10/17/91
Denver	176	09/20/92
Atlanta	161	10/03/93
New England	159*	09/07/03
Indianapolis	157	11/29/93

*-Streak broken 09/07/03

THEY SAID IT

QB TOM BRADY

(On the disappointing season opener)

"There was just nothing good that came out of that game. It's back to the drawing board. It's the first time we've faced adversity in six weeks as a team and we have to rebound. From the opening kickoff to the last play of the game, it was all one-sided. That's not us. We have to be better and we will be better. There's confidence that we're a different team than that."

RUNNING MEN

One bright spot the Patriots could take away from the game against the Bills was in the performance of the Patriots running game. Patriots rushers averaged 5.0 yards per carry, racking up 105 yards on 21 rushes. Last season, the Patriots broke the 100-yard rushing mark just five times as a team. Kevin Faulk led the way against the Bills, chewing up 62 yards on 10 carries (6.2 avg.). Larry Centers averaged 7.2 yards on five carries in his Patriots debut.

SACK ATTACK

Linebacker Roosevelt Colvin recorded his first sack in a Patriots uniform when he brought down Drew Bledsoe for an 8-yard loss in the first quarter. It was the 27th sack of his career. Colvin recorded 10.5 sacks in each of the past two seasons for the Chicago Bears ... Richard Seymour sacked Bledsoe for a 7-yard loss in the third quarter. He has sacked Bledsoe in each of the three games the Patriots have played against their former signal caller.

ROOKIE REPORT

Rookie cornerback Eugene Wilson picked off a Drew Bledsoe pass for his first career interception with 10 seconds left in the first half. Fellow 2003 draftee Asante Samuel tipped the ball to Wilson, who grabbed it to end a potential Buffalo scoring drive just before halftime. The last time a Patriots rookie recorded an interception was on Oct. 8, 2000, when Antwan Harris picked off a Peyton Manning pass and returned it 11 yards.

LAST TIME IT HAPPENED...

The Bills scored a touchdown on their opening drive of the afternoon as Buffalo took a 7-0 lead on a 1-yard run by Travis Henry. It was the first time the Patriots gave up a touchdown on their opponents' opening drive since Oct. 28, 2002 when they played Denver at Gillette Stadium ... Tom Brady tied his career high with four interceptions, marking just the third time in his career he has thrown three or more interceptions.



PATRIOTS NEWS AND NOTES

ADDING EXPERIENCE

Since the end of the 2002 season, the Patriots have added 10 veterans to the roster: nine through free agency and one via trade (Ted Washington). The group includes three players who own a total of nine Pro Bowl nods (Larry Centers, Rodney Harrison and Washington). Five of the veteran additions were in the starting lineup against the Bills in the season opener. In all, the Patriots added 79 seasons worth of experience to their team.

Player	Exp.	GP	GS	Honors
Chris Akins	5	50	0	
Larry Centers	14	190	104	3 Pro Bowls
Michael Cloud	5	56	6	
Rosevelt Colvin*	5	57	37	
Don Davis	8	89	15	
Rodney Harrison*	10	124	98	2 Pro Bowls
Fred McCrary*	7	84	60	
Aric Morris	4	47	10	
Tyrone Poole*	8	109	90	
Ted Washington*	13	174	146	4 Pro Bowls
Totals	79	980	566	9 Pro Bowls
Average	8	98	57	

*-2003 starter

GENTLEMEN, START YOUR ENGINES

The Patriots showed eight changes to their 2002 starting lineup when they took the field in Buffalo on Sept. 7. A comparison between the most frequent 2002 lineup and the 2003 opening day lineup is listed below. There are two new starters listed for the offense and six for the defense, which switched from a 4-3 to a 3-4 base this season. New starters for 2003 appear in **bold**.

	2002 Starter	2003 Starter
OFFENSE		
WR	David Patten	David Patten
LT	Matt Light	Matt Light
LG	Mike Compton	Mike Compton
C	Damien Woody	Damien Woody
RG	Joe Andruzzi	Joe Andruzzi
RT	Kenyatta Jones	Adrian Klemm
TE	Christian Fauria	Christian Fauria
WR	Troy Brown	Troy Brown
QB	Tom Brady	Tom Brady
RB	Antowain Smith	Antowain Smith
FB	Marc Edwards	Fred McCrary
DEFENSE		
DE	Willie McGinest	Bobby Hamilton
DT	Bobby Hamilton	Ted Washington (NT)
DT	Richard Seymour	
DE	Anthony Pleasant	Richard Seymour
OLB	Mike Vrabel	Mike Vrabel
ILB	Ted Johnson (MLB)	Ted Johnson
ILB		Tedy Bruschi
OLB	Roman Phifer	Rosevelt Colvin
CB	Ty Law	Ty Law
CB	Otis Smith	Tyrone Poole
SS	Lawyer Milloy	Rodney Harrison
FS	Tebucky Jones	Antwan Harris

BEAST OF THE EAST

The Patriots have won 9 of their last 12 games against the AFC East. New England has the best record among AFC East teams in division games over the past two seasons (10-5). The N.Y. Jets are second with a 9-5 record (see below).

Team	Division W-L Since 2001	Team	Division W-L Since 2001
Patriots	10-5	Miami	7-7
N.Y. Jets	9-5	Buffalo	4-11

FRONT AND CENTERS

Patriots fullback LARRY CENTERS is the NFL's all-time leader in receptions and receiving yards by a running back. Centers has hauled in 812 passes in his career for a total of 6,709 yards. Centers ranks ninth on the NFL's all-time receptions list among players at any position. He needs just three more receptions to pass Henry Ellard (814) and eight more receptions to pass Steve Largent (819). Among all active players, only Jerry Rice and Tim Brown have more receptions than Centers. Centers has caught at least one pass in 151 of the last 153 games in which he has played.

NFL ALL-TIME LEADING RECEIVERS

Rk	Player	Yrs	No.	Yds	TD
1	<i>Jerry Rice</i>	19	1,460	21,640	192
2	Cris Carter	16	1,101	13,899	130
3	<i>Tim Brown</i>	16	1,023	14,231	98
4	Andre Reed	16	951	13,198	87
5	Art Monk	16	940	12,721	68
6	Irving Fryar	17	851	12,785	84
7	Steve Largent	14	819	13,089	100
8	Henry Ellard	16	814	13,777	65
9	Larry Centers	14	812	6,709	27
10	James Lofton	16	764	14,004	75
11	Shannon Sharpe	13	753	9,290	54

Italics = Active in 2003

WORKING OVERTIME

The Patriots have won their last six games in overtime and have a 6-1 record under Bill Belichick in the extra session (including the playoffs). The Patriots' all-time record in overtime is 14-18. New England has scored on its first possession in overtime in its last five opportunities (see below). In their last three overtime games, the Patriots won the toss, received the kickoff and drove down the field for the winning score. Against both Buffalo (12/16/01) and San Diego (10/14/01) the Patriots scored on their first drive after their opponent punted.

DATE	OPP	PLAY	DRIVE INFO	FINAL SCORE
12/29/02	vs. Mia	35-yd FG	7 plays, 43 yds; 2:03	27-24
09/22/02	vs. KC	35-yd FG	9-53; 4:40	41-38
01/19/02	vs. Oak*	23-yd FG	15-61; 8:29	16-13
12/16/01	at Buf+	23-yd FG	8-75; 3:18	12-9
10/14/01	vs. SD+	44-yd FG	6-51; 2:59	29-26
12/17/00	at Buf+	24-yd FG	14-83; 5:56	13-10
11/05/00	vs. Buf+	32-yd FG	6-52-2:50	13-16

*playoffs

+NE did not score on their first possession in overtime

LAW AND ORDER

TY LAW is tied with Ron Hall, Roland James and Fred Marion for second place in Patriots history with 29 interceptions. Raymond Clayborn leads all Patriot defenders with 36 interceptions (see below). Law can take sole possession of second place in Patriots history and become just the second Patriot to record at least 30 career interceptions with just one more pick.

PATRIOTS ALL-TIME INTERCEPTIONS LIST

Rk	Player	Int.	Yards	Avg	Lg	TD
1	Raymond Clayborn	36	555	15.4	85	1
2	Ty Law	29	438	16.2	59ft	5
	Ron Hall	29	476	16.4	87	1
	Roland James	29	383	13.2	46	0
	Fred Marion	29	457	15.8	83	1



PATRIOTS NEWS AND NOTES

TROY BROWN'S RECORD RUN

TROY BROWN's 281 receptions from 2000-02 are the highest three-year total in Patriots history. Tight end Ben Coates ranks second with a three-year total of 242 (1994-96).

Player	Catches, Year	Catches, Year	Catches, Year	Total
Troy Brown	83, 2000	101, 2001	97, 2002	281
Ben Coates	96, 1994	84, 1995	62, 1996	242

SINGLE-SEASON HIGHS

TROY BROWN finished the 2002 season with 97 catches, the second-highest total in franchise history. He holds the Patriots top mark with 101 catches, set in 2001. Brown became the first Patriot in franchise history to record three seasons with 80 or more receptions (2000, 2001, 2002) against the Titans on Dec. 16.

TOP SINGLE-SEASON RECEIVERS (Receptions)

Year	Player	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
2001	Troy Brown	101	1199	11.9	60t	5
2002	Troy Brown	97	890	9.2	38	2
1994	Ben Coates (TE)	96	1174	12.2	62t	7
1996	Terry Glenn	90	1132	12.6	37t	6
1986	Stanley Morgan	84	1491	17.8	44t	10
1995	Ben Coates (TE)	84	915	10.9	35	6
2000	Troy Brown	83	944	11.4	44t	5

PATRIOTS ALL-TIME LISTS

TROY BROWN ranks third in Patriots history with 419 receptions in his career. He also ranks fifth in franchise history with 4,870 career receiving yards.

PATRIOTS ALL-TIME RECEIVING LEADERS (BY YARDS)

Rk	Name	No	Yds	Avg	Lg	TD
1	Stanley Morgan	534	10,352	19.4	76t	67
2	Irving Fryar	363	5,726	15.8	80t	38
3	Ben Coates	490	5,471	11.2	84t	50
4	Jim Colclough	283	5,001	17.7	78t	39
5	Troy Brown	419	4,870	11.6	67	20
6	Terry Glenn	329	4,669	14.2	86t	22

PATRIOTS ALL-TIME RECEIVING LEADERS (BY CATCHES)

Rk	Player, Pos.	No	Yds	Avg.	Lg	TD
1	Stanley Morgan, WR	534	10,352	19.4	76t	67
2	Ben Coates, TE	490	5,471	11.2	84t	50
3	Troy Brown, WR	419	4,870	11.6	67	20
4	Irving Fryar, WR	363	5,726	15.8	80t	38

ON THE MONEY

ADAM VINATIERI made 27-of-30 (.900) field goals in 2002. He led the NFL in field goal percentage and earned his first Pro Bowl nod last season.

2002 NFL FIELD GOAL LEADERS (PCT.)

Kicker	FGM	FGA	Pct.
Adam Vinatieri, NE	27	30	.900
Reed, Pitt.	17	19	.895
John Carney, N.O.	31	35	.886
David Akers, Phi.	30	34	.882

TAKING AIM

ADAM VINATIERI is the most accurate kicker in franchise history and is the fifth most accurate kicker in NFL history. He has recorded an 81.65 conversion rate (187-229) over his seven-year career.

NFL ALL-TIME MOST ACCURATE KICKERS

	TEAM	PCT.	FGM/FGA
1	Mike Vanderjagt	85.4	140/164
2	Olindo Mare	83.3	160/192
3	John Carney	82.1	322/392
4	Martin Gramatica	82.08	110/134
5	Adam Vinatieri	81.65	187/229
6	Matt Stover	81.58	288/353
7	Jason Hanson	81.2	267/329
8	Ryan Longwell	81.2	160/197

RECORDING SUCCESS

TOM BRADY has quarterbacked the Patriots to victories in 20 of his 30 regular season starts during his career, compiling a winning percentage of 64.5 percent, the fifth highest of any active starting quarterback in the NFL with at least 20 starts. Including the playoffs, he is 23-11 as a starter, and including preseason, regular season and postseason games, he is 30-12.

ACTIVE QUARTERBACKS WINNING PERCENTAGE

Quarterback, Team	W	L	Pct.
Kurt Warner, St. Louis	35	15	.700
Jay Fiedler, Miami	29	14	.674
Brett Favre, Green Bay	115	59	.661
Brad Johnson, Tampa Bay	52	28	.650
Tom Brady, New England	20	11	.645
Donovan McNabb, Philadelphia	31	18	.633

HE RATE ME

TOM BRADY led the NFL in the 2003 preseason with a 116.7 passer rating, throwing six touchdowns and no interceptions. In 2002, he recorded six ratings of over 100.0, including three against AFC East opponents. It is the highest single-season total since Drew Bledsoe recorded seven during the 1996 season. Brady has nine career 100.0 plus ratings in his 30 career starts, all Patriots victories (see below). Brady also owns three of the top five ratings in Patriots history. In 2002, Brady became the first Patriots quarterback to open the season with three consecutive games with passer ratings over 100.0 (minimum of 15 attempts).

TOM BRADY'S GAMES WITH A PASSER RATING OVER 100.0

Date	Opp.	Att	Cmp	Yds	Pct.	TD	I	Rating	W/L
10/21/01	at Ind.	20	16	202	.800	3	0	148.3	W
11/03/02	at Buf	26	22	265	.846	3	0	147.6	W
11/25/01	N.O.	26	19	258	.731	4	0	143.9	W
11/04/01	at Atl.	31	21	250	.677	3	0	124.4	W
11/24/02	Min.	34	21	239	.617	3	0	112.3	W
9/22/02	K.C.	54	39	410	.722	4	1	110.9	W
09/09/02	Pitt.	43	29	294	.674	3	0	110.0	W
12/8/02	Buf	27	15	183	.556	2	0	101.3	W
09/15/02	at NYJ	35	25	269	.714	2	1	100.8	W

CAREER NUMBERS

TOM BRADY ranks sixth among Patriots all-time leading passers, and is the franchise's all-time leader in completion percentage.

ALL TIME PATRIOTS PASSING LEADERS

Rk.	Name	Att	Cmp	Yards	Pct.	TD	Int
1.	Drew Bledsoe	4,518	2,544	29,657	56.3	166	138
2.	Steve Grogan	3,593	1,879	26,886	52.3	182	208
3.	Babe Parilli	2,412	1,140	16,747	47.3	132	138
4.	Tony Eason	1,500	876	10,732	58.4	60	48
5.	Jim Plunkett	1,503	729	9,932	48.5	62	87
6.	TOM BRADY	1,045	652	6,736	62.4	46	30
7.	Hugh Millen	612	370	4,276	60.5	17	28

SCORING IN BRADY BUNCHES

Brady finished the 2002 regular season as the NFL leader with 28 touchdown passes. Aaron Brooks, Brett Favre and Peyton Manning finished tied for second with 27 scoring tosses. He also tied the second-highest total amassed in Patriots single season history (see below). He completed multiple touchdown passes in nine different games during the 2002 season.

31	Vito 'Babe' Parilli, 1964	27	Drew Bledsoe, 1996
28	TOM BRADY, 2002	25	Drew Bledsoe, 1994
28	Drew Bledsoe, 1997		
28	Steve Grogan, 1979		



2003 TRANSACTIONS / RADIO NETWORK

1/6	Ken Kocher	Signed
	Brandon Gorin	Signed
	Dyshod Carter	Signed (Allocated to NFLE)
	Scott McCready	Signed (Allocated to NFLE)
	T.C. Taylor	Signed (Allocated to NFLE)
	Courtney Ledyard	Signed (Allocated to NFLE)
	Shane Stafford	Signed (Allocated to NFLE)
1/9	Michael Malan	Signed (Allocated to NFLE)
1/17	Rodney Trafford	Signed (Allocated to NFLE)
1/28	John Hufnagel	Named quarterbacks coach
2/28	Lonie Paxton	Re-signed
3/6	Fred Baxter	Re-signed
	Greg Randall	Traded (HOU)
3/11	Rosevelt Colvin	Signed
	Tyrone Poole	Signed
3/12	Rodney Harrison	Signed
	Chris Akins	Signed
3/24	Fred McCrary	Signed
	Maugaula Tuitele	Re-signed
4/8	Tom Ashworth	Re-signed
4/14	Tebucky Jones	Traded (N.O.)
4/23	Daniel Pope	Signed
4/26	Ty Warren	Drafted
	Eugene Wilson	Drafted
	Bethel Johnson	Drafted
4/27	Dan Klecko	Drafted
	Asante Samuel	Drafted
	Dan Koppen	Drafted
	Kliff Kingsbury	Drafted
	Spencer Nead	Drafted
	Tully Banta-Cain	Drafted
	Ethan Kelley	Drafted
5/2	Kyle Croskey, Jasen Esposito, Chas Gessner, Michael Hayes, Ricklan Holmes, Jason Hunt, Chad Lee, Chris Massey, Shawn Mayer, Rob Milanese, Buck Rasmussen, Walter Sampson, Dan Stricker, Kerry Watkins and Matt Word	Signed as rookie free agents
5/5	Derek Watson	Signed
	Michael Hayes	Released
	Chris Massey	Released
5/9	Scott Farley	Signed
	Aric Morris	Signed
5/15	Dave Petruziello	Signed
	Kyle Croskey	Released
5/16	Don Davis	Signed
	Gene Mruczkowski	Signed
	Joe Schey	Signed
5/22	Dedric Ward	Signed
5/27	Walter Sampson	Released
5/29	Ricklan Holmes	Released
	Matt Word	Released
6/11	Shane Stafford	Released
6/23	Michael Cloud	Signed
7/3	Bill Conaty	Signed
7/10	T.C. Taylor	Released
7/15	Dan Klecko	Signed
	Asante Samuel	Signed
	Ethan Kelley	Signed
7/16	Rob Milanese	Released
	Brad Harris	Signed
	Corey Mitchell	Signed
7/21	Ty Warren	Signed
	Eugene Wilson	Signed
	Bethel Johnson	Signed
	Dan Koppen	Signed
	Kliff Kingsbury	Signed
	Spencer Nead	Signed
	Tully Banta-Cain	Signed
	Dave Petruziello	Released
	Kerry Watkins	Released
	Derek Watson	Released
7/23	Kerry Watkins	Signed
	Mike Clare	Released
	Courtney Ledyard	Released
	Corey Mitchell	Released
	Joe Schey	Released
7/28	Brenden Stai	Signed
	Scott Farley	Released
7/30	Larry Centers	Signed
	Jason Hunt	Released

8/1	Frank Moreau	Signed
	Ben Kelly	Released
8/2	Scott McCready	Released
8/4	Thabiti Davis	Signed
8/10	Brenden Stai	Retired
8/13	Marques McFadden	Claimed off waivers (DAL)
	DeVeren Johnson	Claimed off waivers (DAL)
	Dan Stricker	Placed on reserve/injured list
8/15	Marques McFadden	Released
8/18	Otis Smith	Released
8/19	Corbin Lacina	Signed
	Ted Washington	Acquired via trade (CHI)
	DeVeren Johnson	Released
	Jasen Esposito	Released
8/20	Chad Lee	Released
	Spencer Nead	Released
	Daniel Pope	Released
8/24	Ken Kocher	Released
	Buck Rasmussen	Released
	J.R. Redmond	Released
	Antwoine Womack	Released
8/26	Jamil Soriano	Acquired via trade (CHI)
	Kerry Watkins	Released
	Bill Conaty	Placed on Reserve/Injured
	Kliff Kingsbury	Placed on Reserve/Injured
	Tully Banta-Cain	Placed on Reserve/PUP
	Chas Gessner	Placed on Reserve/PUP
	Kenyatta Jones	Placed on Reserve/PUP
	Stephen Neal	Placed on Reserve/PUP
	Gene Mruczkowski	Placed on Reserve/NFI
8/28	Corbin Lacina, Dyshod Carter, Brad Harris, Michael Malan, Frank Moreau and Rod Trafford	Released
8/31	Thabiti Davis, Russ Hochstein, Ethan Kelley, Matt Knutson, Shawn Mayer, Leonard Myers, Patrick Pass, Jamil Soriano, Maugaula Tuitele and Dedric Ward	Released
	Michael Cloud	Placed on Reserve/Suspended by NFL
	Bill Conaty	Released from Reserve/Injured
9/1	Russ Hochstein	Signed to the practice squad
	Ethan Kelley	Signed to the practice squad
	Shawn Mayer	Signed to the practice squad
	Jamil Soriano	Signed to the practice squad
9/2	Lawyer Milloy	Released
	Tim Provost	Signed to the practice squad

WBCN PATRIOTS ROCK RADIO NETWORK

For the ninth consecutive season, WBCN is proud to be the flagship station for the Patriots Rock Radio Network. Every Patriots game can be heard on WBCN (104.1 FM) and its network of 33 stations throughout all six New England states. Longtime broadcast tandem Gil Santos and Gino Cappelletti will call all of the action in static-free stereo sound.



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WSKO	Providence	790 AM
WSKO	Providence	99.7 FM

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WKVT	Brattleboro	92.7 FM
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WMXR	Claremont	93.9 FM
WMOO	Derby	92.1 FM
WEXP	Rutland	101.5 FM
WDEV	Waterbury	960 AM

1350 AM



PATRIOTS 2003 DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS											SP. TEAMS					FUMBLES - LOST (0-0)			
Name	TT	UT	A	S/	YL	Int/	Yds	PD	FF	FR	TT	UT	A	FF	FR			Own	
Rodney Harrison	11	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Tyrone Poole	7	6	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Roman Phifer	7	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Ted Johnson	6	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Ty Law	5	4	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Tedy Bruschi	5	3	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	1	0	-	-				
Richard Seymour	5	3	2	1.0	7.0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Bobby Hamilton	5	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Rosevelt Colvin	4	2	2	1.0	8.0	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Mike Vrabel	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Ted Washington	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Antwan Harris	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Willie McGinest	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	0	-	-				
Rick Lyle	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Ty Warren	2	0	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Asante Samuel	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Jarvis Green	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Chris Akins	1	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Eugene Wilson	0	0	0	-	-	1	2	2	-	-	0	0	0	-	-				
Fred Baxter	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	-	-				
Matt Chatham	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	-	-				
Je'Rod Cherry	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	-	-				
Larry Izzo	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	-	-				
Totals	73	42	31	2.0	15.0	1	2	7	0	1	5	5	0	0	0				
LEGEND																			
TT -	Total Tackles										PD -	Pass Defensed							
UT -	Unassisted Tackles										FF -	Forced Fumbles							
A -	Assists										FR -	Fumbles Recovered							
S/Y ds -	Sacks/Y ards Lost										Tack. T.O. -	Tackles off Turnovers							
I/R et. -	Interceptions/R eturn Y ards										O.B. -	Out of Bounds							



HOW THE PATRIOTS WERE BUILT

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>DRAFTEES (23)</u>	<u>VETERAN FREE AGENTS (24)</u>	<u>WAIVERS (1) / TRADES (1)</u>	<u>ROOKIE AND FIRST-YEAR FREE AGENTS (3)</u>
1993	Troy Brown (8)			
1994	Willie McGinest (1)			
1995	Ty Law (1) Ted Johnson (2)			
1996	Tedy Bruschi (3)			Adam Vinatieri (fa)
1997				
1998				
1999	Damien Woody (1a) Kevin Faulk (2)			
2000	Adrian Klemm (2) Antwan Harris (6a) Tom Brady (6b)	Joe Andruzzi (fa) (G.B.) Bobby Hamilton (fa) (NYJ)	Matt Chatham (fa) (cw-STL)	Lonie Paxton (fa)
2001	Richard Seymour (1) Matt Light (2)	Je'Rod Cherry (2) (PHI) Mike Compton (3) (DET)* Damon Huard (fa) (MIA) Larry Izzo (fa) (MIA)* David Patten (fa) (CLE) * Roman Phifer (2) (NYJ) Anthony Pleasant (3) (SF)* Antowain Smith (1) (BUF) Mike Vrabel (3) (PIT)* Ken Walter (fa) (CAR)		Tom Ashworth (fa)
2002	Daniel Graham (1) Deion Branch (2) Rohan Davey (4a) Jarvis Green (4b) David Givens (7b)	Fred Baxter (5) (CHI) Christian Fauria (2) (SEA)* Rick Lyle (fa) (NYJ)*		
2003	Ty Warren (1) Eugene Wilson (2a) Bethel Johnson (2b) Dan Klecko (4a) Asante Samuel (4b) Dan Koppen (5)	Chris Akins (7) (CLE)* Larry Centers (5) (BUF) Rosevelt Colvin (4) (CHI)* Don Davis (fa) (STL)* Brandon Gorin (7) Rodney Harrison (5) (SD) Fred McCrary (6) (SD) Aric Morris (5) (TEN)* Tyrone Poole (1) (DEN)*	Ted Washington (1) (tr-CHI) <u>Reserve/Injured</u> Kliff Kingsbury (6) Dan Stricker (fa) <u>Reserve/Susp. by NFL</u> Michael Cloud (2) (KC)*	<u>Reserve / PUP</u> Tully Banta-Cain (7b) Chas Gessner (fa-03) Kenyatta Jones (4a) Stephen Neal (fa) <u>Reserve / NFI</u> Gene Mruczkowski (fa-03)
* unrestricted free agent (#) - indicates round drafted (fa) - indicates non-drafted free agents				



2003 ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

Sept. 9, 2003

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	BORN	YR	COLLEGE	H.S. HOMETOWN
34	Akins, Chris	S	5-11	200	11/29/76	5	Arkansas Pine-Bluff	Little Rock, Ark.
63	Andruzzi, Joe	G	6-3	312	08/23/75	7	S. Connecticut St.	Staten Island, N.Y.
68	Ashworth, Tom	T	6-6	305	10/10/77	2	Colorado	Englewood, Colo.
84	Baxter, Fred	TE	6-3	268	06/14/71	11	Auburn	Pike County, Ala.
12	Brady, Tom	QB	6-4	225	08/03/77	4	Michigan	San Mateo, Calif.
83	Branch, Deion	WR	5-9	193	07/18/79	2	Louisville	Albany, Ga.
80	Brown, Troy	WR	5-10	196	07/02/71	11	Marshall	Blackville, S.C.
54	Bruschi, Teddy	LB	6-1	247	06/09/73	8	Arizona	Roseville, Calif.
31	Centers, Larry	FB	6-0	225	06/01/68	14	Stephen F. Austin	Tatum, Texas
58	Chatham, Matt	LB	6-4	250	06/28/77	4	South Dakota	Sioux City, Iowa
30	Cherry, Je'Rod	S	6-1	210	05/30/73	8	California	Berkeley, Calif.
59	Colvin, Roosevelt	LB	6-3	250	09/05/77	5	Purdue	Indianapolis, Ind.
77	Compton, Mike	G/C	6-6	310	09/18/70	11	West Virginia	Richlands, Va.
6	Davey, Rohan	QB	6-2	245	04/14/78	2	Louisiana State	Miami, Fla.
51	Davis, Don	LB	6-1	235	12/17/72	8	Kansas	Olathe, Kan.
33	Faulk, Kevin	RB	5-8	202	06/05/76	5	Louisiana State	Carencro, La.
88	Fauria, Christian	TE	6-4	250	09/22/71	9	Colorado	Encino, Calif.
87	Givens, David	WR	6-0	212	08/16/80	2	Notre Dame	Humble, Texas
76	Gorin, Brandon	T	6-6	308	07/17/78	2	Purdue	Muncie, Ind.
82	Graham, Daniel	TE	6-3	257	11/16/78	2	Colorado	Denver, Colo.
97	Green, Jarvis	DL	6-3	290	01/12/79	2	Louisiana State	Donaldsonville, La.
91	Hamilton, Bobby	DE	6-5	280	07/01/71	9	Southern Mississippi	Columbia, Miss.
23	Harris, Antwan	S	5-9	194	05/29/77	4	Virginia	Raleigh, N.C.
37	Harrison, Rodney	S	6-1	220	12/15/72	10	Western Illinois	Chicago, Ill.
19	Huard, Damon	QB	6-3	215	07/09/73	7	Washington	Puyallup, Wash.
53	Izzo, Larry	LB	5-10	228	09/26/74	8	Rice	Houston, Texas
81	Johnson, Bethel	WR	5-11	200	02/11/79	R	Texas A&M	Corsicana, Texas
52	Johnson, Ted	LB	6-4	253	12/04/72	9	Colorado	Alameda, Calif.
90	Klecko, Dan	NT	5-11	283	01/12/81	R	Temple	Colts Neck, N.J.
70	Klemm, Adrian	T	6-3	312	05/21/77	4	Hawaii	Los Angeles, Calif.
67	Koppen, Dan	C	6-2	296	09/12/79	R	Boston College	Whitehall, Pa.
24	Law, Ty	CB	5-11	200	02/10/74	9	Michigan	Aliquippa, Pa.
72	Light, Matt	T	6-4	305	06/23/78	3	Purdue	Greenville, Ohio
96	Lyle, Rick	DL	6-5	285	02/26/71	10	Missouri	Monroe, La.
44	McCrary, Fred	FB	6-0	247	09/19/72	7	Mississippi State	Naples, Fla.
55	McGinest, Willie	LB	6-5	270	12/11/71	10	Southern Cal	Long Beach, Calif.
29	Morris, Aric	S	5-10	210	07/22/77	4	Michigan State	Winston-Salem, N.C.
86	Patten, David	WR	5-10	190	08/19/74	7	Western Carolina	Hopkins, S.C.
66	Paxton, Lonie	LS	6-2	260	03/13/78	4	Sacramento State	Corona, Calif.
95	Phifer, Roman	LB	6-2	248	03/05/68	13	UCLA	Pineville, N.C.
98	Pleasant, Anthony	DE	6-5	280	01/27/68	14	Tennessee State	Century, Fla.
38	Poole, Tyrone	CB	5-8	188	02/03/72	8	Fort Valley State	LaGrange, Ga.
22	Samuel, Asante	CB	5-10	185	01/06/81	R	Central Florida	Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.
93	Seymour, Richard	DE	6-6	310	10/06/79	3	Georgia	Gadsden, S.C.
32	Smith, Antowain	RB	6-2	232	03/14/72	7	Houston	Montgomery, Ala.
4	Vinatieri, Adam	K	6-0	202	12/28/72	8	South Dakota State	Rapid City, S.D.
50	Vrabel, Mike	LB	6-4	261	08/14/75	7	Ohio State	Akron, Ohio
13	Walter, Ken	P	6-1	207	08/15/72	7	Kent State	Euclid, Ohio
94	Warren, Ty	DL	6-5	300	02/06/81	R	Texas A&M	Bryan, Texas
92	Washington, Ted	NT	6-5	365	04/13/68	13	Louisville	Tampa, Fla.
26	Wilson, Eugene	CB	5-10	195	08/17/80	R	Illinois	Merrillville, Ill.
65	Woody, Damien	C	6-3	320	11/03/77	5	Boston College	Beaverdam, Va.

PRACTICE SQUAD

71	Hochstein, Russ	G	6-4	305	10/07/77	3	Nebraska	Hartington, Neb.
99	Kelley, Ethan	NT	6-2	303	02/12/80	R	Baylor	Sugar Land, Texas
39	Mayer, Shawn	S	6-0	202	03/04/79	R	Penn State	Hillsborough, N.J.
62	Provost, Tim	T	6-5	300	08/24/80	R	San Jose State	Downey, Calif.
75	Soriano, Jamil	G/T	6-4	310	05/11/81	R	Harvard	Plainview, N.Y.

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2003 NUMERICAL ROSTER

#	NAME	POS	HT	WT	AGE	YR	COLLEGE	HOW ACQ.	G/S/D/I
4	Adam Vinatieri	K	6-0	202	30	8	South Dakota State	FA-96	1/0/0/0
6	Rohan Davey	QB	6-2	245	25	2	Louisiana State	D4a-02	1/0/0/0
12	Tom Brady	QB	6-4	225	26	4	Michigan	D6b-00	1/1/0/0
13	Ken Walter	P	6-1	207	31	7	Kent State	FA-01	1/0/0/0
19	Damon Huard	QB	6-3	215	30	7	Washington	UFA (MIA)-01	0/0/1/0
22	Asante Samuel	CB	5-10	185	22	R	Central Florida	D4b-03	1/0/0/0
23	Antwan Harris	S	5-9	194	26	4	Virginia	D6a-00	1/1/0/0
24	Ty Law	CB	5-11	200	29	9	Michigan	D1-95	1/1/0/0
26	Eugene Wilson	CB	5-10	195	23	R	Illinois	D2a-03	1/0/0/0
29	Aric Morris	S	5-10	210	26	4	Michigan State	FA (TEN)-03	0/0/0/1
30	Je'Rod Cherry	S	6-1	210	30	8	California	FA-01	1/0/0/0
31	Larry Centers	FB	6-0	225	35	14	Stephen F. Austin	FA (BUF)-03	1/0/0/0
32	Antowain Smith	RB	6-2	232	31	7	Houston	FA (BUF)-01	1/1/0/0
33	Kevin Faulk	RB	5-8	202	27	5	Louisiana State	D2-99	1/0/0/0
34	Chris Akins	S	5-11	200	26	5	Arkansas Pine-Bluff	UFA (CLE)-03	1/0/0/0
37	Rodney Harrison	S	6-1	220	30	10	Western Illinois	FA (SD)-03	1/1/0/0
38	Tyrone Poole	CB	5-8	188	31	8	Fort Valley State	UFA (DEN)-03	1/1/0/0
44	Fred McCrary	FB	6-0	247	30	7	Mississippi State	FA (SD)-03	1/1/0/0
50	Mike Vrabel	LB	6-4	261	28	7	Ohio State	UFA (PIT)-01	1/1/0/0
51	Don Davis	LB	6-1	235	30	8	Kansas	UFA (STL)-03	0/0/0/1
52	Ted Johnson	LB	6-4	253	30	9	Colorado	D2-95	1/1/0/0
53	Larry Izzo	LB	5-10	228	28	8	Rice	UFA (MIA)-01	1/0/0/0
54	Tedy Bruschi	LB	6-1	247	30	8	Arizona	D3-96	1/1/0/0
55	Willie McGinest	LB	6-5	270	31	10	Southern Cal	D1-94	1/0/0/0
58	Matt Chatham	LB	6-4	250	26	4	South Dakota	CW (STL)-00	1/0/0/0
59	Rosevelt Colvin	LB	6-3	250	26	5	Purdue	UFA (CHI)-03	1/1/0/0
63	Joe Andruzzi	G	6-3	312	28	7	Southern Connecticut St.	FA-00	1/1/0/0
65	Damien Woody	C	6-3	320	25	5	Boston College	D1a-99	1/1/0/0
66	Lonie Paxton	LS	6-2	260	25	4	Sacramento State	FA-00	1/0/0/0
67	Dan Koppen	C	6-2	296	23	R	Boston College	D5-03	1/0/0/0
68	Tom Ashworth	T	6-6	305	25	2	Colorado	FA-01	1/0/0/0
70	Adrian Klemm	T	6-3	312	26	4	Hawaii	D2-00	1/0/0/0
72	Matt Light	T	6-4	305	25	3	Purdue	D2-01	1/1/0/0
76	Brandon Gorin	T	6-6	308	25	2	Purdue	FA-03	0/0/0/1
77	Mike Compton	G/C	6-6	310	32	11	West Virginia	UFA (DET)-01	1/1/0/0
80	Troy Brown	WR	5-10	196	32	11	Marshall	D8-93	1/1/0/0
81	Bethel Johnson	WR	5-11	200	24	R	Texas A&M	D2b-03	1/0/0/0
82	Daniel Graham	TE	6-3	257	24	2	Colorado	D1-02	1/0/0/0
83	Deion Branch	WR	5-9	193	24	2	Louisville	D2-02	1/0/0/0
84	Fred Baxter	TE	6-3	268	32	11	Auburn	FA (CHI)-02	1/0/0/0
86	David Patten	WR	5-10	190	29	7	Western Carolina	UFA (CLE)-01	1/1/0/0
87	David Givens	WR	6-0	212	23	2	Notre Dame	D7b-02	0/0/0/1
88	Christian Fauria	TE	6-4	250	31	9	Colorado	UFA (SEA)-02	1/1/0/0
90	Dan Klecko	NT	5-11	283	22	R	Temple	D4a-03	0/0/0/1
91	Bobby Hamilton	DE	6-5	280	32	9	Southern Mississippi	UFA (NYJ)-00	1/1/0/0
92	Ted Washington	NT	6-5	365	35	13	Louisville	TR (CHI)-03	1/1/0/0
93	Richard Seymour	DE	6-6	310	23	3	Georgia	D1-01	1/1/0/0
94	Ty Warren	DL	6-5	300	22	R	Texas A&M	D1-03	1/0/0/0
95	Roman Phifer	LB	6-2	248	35	13	UCLA	FA (NYJ)-01	1/0/0/0
96	Rick Lyle	DL	6-5	285	32	10	Missouri	UFA (NYJ)-02	1/0/0/0
97	Jarvis Green	DL	6-3	290	24	2	Louisiana State	D4b-02	1/0/0/0
98	Anthony Pleasant	DE	6-5	280	35	14	Tennessee State	UFA (SF)-01	0/0/0/1

RESERVE LIST / INJURED

16	Kliff Kingsbury	QB	6-3	220	24	R	Texas Tech	D6-03	
10	Dan Stricker	WR	6-1	197	23	R	Vanderbilt	FA-03	

RESERVE LIST / PHYSICALLY UNABLE TO PERFORM

48	Tully Banta-Cain	LB	6-2	250	23	R	California	D7b-03	
18	Chas Gessner	WR	6-4	215	22	R	Brown	FA-03	
74	Kenyatta Jones	T	6-3	307	24	3	South Florida	D4a-01	
61	Stephen Neal	G	6-4	305	26	2	Cal State-Bakersfield	FA-01	

RESERVE LIST / NON-FOOTBALL INJURY

64	Gene Mruczkowski	OL	6-2	305	23	R	Purdue	FA-03	
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RESERVE LIST / SUSPENDED BY NFL

21	Michael Cloud	RB	5-10	205	28	5	Boston College	UFA (KC)-03	
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UNOFFICIAL DEPTH CHART

Unofficial depth chart compiled by Patriots Media Relations, Sept. 9, 2003

OFFENSE

WR: 86 David Patten (1/1/0/0)	87 David Givens (0/0/0/1)	
LT: 72 Matt Light (1/1/0/0)	68 Tom Ashworth (1/0/0/0)	
LG: 77 Mike Compton (1/1/0/0)	68 Tom Ashworth (1/0/0/0)	
C: 65 Damien Woody (1/1/0/0)	<u>67 Dan Koppen (1/0/0/0)</u>	
RG: 63 Joe Andruzzi (1/1/0/0)	<u>67 Dan Koppen (1/0/0/0)</u>	
RT: 70 Adrian Klemm (1/1/0/0)	76 Brandon Gorin (0/0/0/1)	
TE: 88 Christian Fauria (1/1/0/0)	82 Daniel Graham (1/0/0/0)	84 Fred Baxter (1/0/0/0)
WR: 80 Troy Brown (1/1/0/0)	83 Deion Branch (1/0/0/0)	<u>81 Bethel Johnson (1/0/0/0)</u>
QB: 12 Tom Brady (1/1/0/0)	19 Damon Huard (0/0/1/0)	6 Rohan Davey (1/0/0/0)
RB: 32 Antowain Smith (1/1/0/0)	33 Kevin Faulk (1/0/0/0)	
FB: 44 Fred McCrary (1/1/0/0)	31 Larry Centers (1/0/0/0)	

DEFENSE

LE: 93 Richard Seymour (1/1/0/0)	98 Anthony Pleasant (0/0/0/1)	96 Rick Lyle (1/0/0/0)
NT: 92 Ted Washington (1/1/0/0)	97 Jarvis Green (1/0/0/0)	<u>90 Dan Klecko (0/0/0/1)</u>
RE: 91 Bobby Hamilton (1/1/0/0)	<u>94 Ty Warren (1/0/0/0)</u>	
OLB: 59 Rosevelt Colvin (1/1/0/0)	55 Willie McGinest (1/0/0/0)	
ILB: 52 Ted Johnson (1/1/0/0)	51 Don Davis (0/0/0/1)	
ILB: 54 Tedy Bruschi (1/1/0/0)	95 Roman Phifer (1/0/0/0)	53 Larry Izzo (1/0/0/0)
OLB: 50 Mike Vrabel (1/1/0/0)	58 Matt Chatham (1/0/0/0)	
LCB: 38 Tyrone Poole (1/1/0/0)	<u>22 Asante Samuel (1/0/0/0)</u>	
RCB: 24 Ty Law (1/1/0/0)	<u>26 Eugene Wilson (1/0/0/0)</u>	
SS: 37 Rodney Harrison (1/1/0/0)	34 Chris Akins (1/0/0/0)	
FS: 23 Antwan Harris (1/1/0/0)	30 Je'Rod Cherry (1/0/0/0)	29 Aric Morris (0/0/0/1)

SPECIAL TEAMS

K: 4 Adam Vinatieri (1/0/0/0)	13 Ken Walter (1/0/0/0)	
P: 13 Ken Walter (1/0/0/0)	4 Adam Vinatieri (1/0/0/0)	
H: 13 Ken Walter (1/0/0/0)	19 Damon Huard (0/0/1/0)	
PR: 80 Troy Brown (1/1/0/0)	83 Deion Branch (1/0/0/0)	38 Tyrone Poole (1/1/0/0)
		33 Kevin Faulk (1/0/0/0)
KR: 33 Kevin Faulk (1/0/0/0)	83 Deion Branch (1/0/0/0)	<u>81 Bethel Johnson (1/0/0/0)</u>
LS: 66 Lonie Paxton (1/0/0/0)	77 Mike Compton (1/1/0/0)	

Rookies and First-Year Players are Underlined. Injured players are marked with an asterisk (*).

PATRIOTS PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Tedy Bruschi Teddy★BREW-ski	Damon Huard HUE-ard	Lonie Paxton..... Lonnie
Rosevelt Colvin..... COLE-vin	Bethel Johnson..... BETH-ull	Antowain Smith AN-twon
Christian Fauria FOUR-ee-ay	Dan Koppen..... COPE-en	Adam Vinatieri vin-a-TERRY



BY THE NUMBERS

STREAKS ENDED

159

The number of consecutive games the Patriots had played without being shut out heading into the 2003 season. The string was broken in a 31-0 loss at Buffalo in Week One. The streak included postseason games.

110

The number of consecutive games in which Adam Vinatieri had scored a point, dating back to his rookie season of 1996 and including playoff games. Vinatieri was held scoreless in the 2003 season opener.

MOVING ON UP

812

The number of career receptions made by fullback Larry Centers.

9

Centers' rank on the NFL's all-time receptions list.

3

The number of receptions Centers needs to pass Henry Ellard (814 catches) and move into eighth place on the NFL's all-time receptions list.

8

The number of receptions Centers needs to pass Steve Largent (819) and move into seventh place on the NFL's all-time receptions list.

0

The number of running backs who have caught more passes in their career than Centers.

SEVEN YEARS AND COUNTING

90-62

The Patriots' record in preseason, regular-season and postseason games since 1996 (.592 win pct.).

63-50

The Patriots' regular season record since 1996 (.558 win pct.).

6-3

The Patriots' postseason record since 1996 (.667 win pct.).

21-9

The Patriots' preseason record since 1996 (.700 win pct.).

THE KRAFT ERA

94

The number of consecutive Patriots preseason, regular season and postseason home games that have been sold out since Robert Kraft bought the team in 1994.

197

The number of consecutive Patriots games that have been televised locally.

63-33

The Patriots record at home since 1994, including preseason, regular season and postseason games.

9-3

The Patriots record at Gillette Stadium, including preseason and regular season games (.818 winning percentage).

TOMMY GUN

30-12

Tom Brady's record as a starting quarterback in the NFL, including preseason, regular season and postseason games.

.714

Brady's winning percentage as a starter (including all games).

3-0

Brady's career postseason record.

5-0

Brady's career overtime record (including postseason).

SCHEDULE FACTS

10

The number of games the Patriots will play against teams that finished the 2002 season at .500 or better.

7

The number of games the Patriots will play against teams that qualified for the 2002 playoffs.

8

The Patriots have the eighth hardest schedule in the NFL this season, based on opponents' 2002 winning percentage.

14,770

The total number of air miles the Patriots will log in 2003, including the preseason and the regular season. Seattle will travel the furthest, logging 31,976 miles, and the New York Giants will travel the least, at 9,076 miles.

NOT HALF BAD

6-0

The Patriots record in 2002 when leading at halftime.

13

The number of consecutive games the Patriots have won when leading at halftime.

16-1

The Patriots record in their last 17 games in which they have led at halftime.

16

The number of consecutive games the Patriots have won when leading after three quarters.

MILESTONES

198

The number of punt returns Troy Brown has made in his career.

9

The number of punt returns Troy Brown needs to become the Patriots all-time leader, passing Irving Fryar (206 returns).

419

The number of receptions Brown has made in his career.

72

The number of receptions Brown needs to move ahead of Ben Coates (490) into second place on the Patriots all-time reception list.

4,870

The number of receiving yards Brown has chalked up in his career.

232

The number of receiving yards Brown needs to pass Jim Colclough (5,001) and move into fourth place on the Patriots' all-time list.

58

The number of consecutive games, including the playoffs, that Troy Brown has appeared in which he has at least one reception.

1

The number of interceptions Ty Law (29 career INTs) needs to become just the second Patriot in franchise history to record 30 career interceptions.

8

The number of interceptions Law needs to move ahead of Raymond Clayborn (36) to claim the franchise record.

1

Adam Vinatieri's rank on the franchise's all-time field goals list, having kicked 187 successful field goals.

1

Kevin Faulk's rank on the franchise's all-time kickoff returners' list, with 140 returns for 3,230 yards and two touchdowns.