

# EW'S FAMOUS FOOTBALL TRASH TALK\* - WHAT THE PUCK EDITION

Are you ready for some football? Hot damn, I am. And guess what, there really is football to talk about. And lots of other things too, but let's start off with the gridiron. Hey, did you notice that the asterisk is still in the title? Of course it is, because Spygate is the gift that keeps on giving for the New England Patriots. Thank god that FISA stuff seems to be wrapping up, because the ole Scottish Haggis is gonna be needing the legislative time and resources to question Matt Walsh and get to the bottom of Belichick's torture tapes.

Alright, lets get down to business. The 2008 NFL Entry Draft is beginning as this post is going up. Michigan offensive lineman Jake Long has already been signed by the Fish, and Howie Long's spawn is reportedly set to be taken at number two by the Rams. Then the crapshoot begins. What needs does your team have, who do you like to fill them, and what else is up on the pigskin front? I understand the Patriots are torn between this guy and this guy.

Don't tell Marcy, but there are actually sports other than football. In fact, I understand that, up in Canada, they play something called hockey; and not just any hockey understand you, they are currently in *Playoff Hockey* for the cherished Stanley Cup. The Cup has to be the coolest trophy in all of sports, every winning player gets his name etched onto it for eternity. And it goes fun places during the year as each player on the winning team gets to cart it around wherever he wants. I hear tell it goes to a lot of pubs, and a few cathouses too. I don't know diddly squat about hockey, but in honor of our fine feathered friends in the Great White

North, Ishmael, Skdadl, and all the others, I thought we ought to give a shout out to Stanley Cup Playoffs, thus the "What The Puck" part of the title to this post.

Due to the surprising response I got the last time, I will also trot out F1 for your consideration. This weekend is Round four of the circus, the Spanish GP from Circuit de Catalunya in Barcelona, Spain. Kimi Raikkonen is on pole, having beaten out Fernando Alonso in literally the last second of qualifying. Catalunya is a nice circuit, should make for an excellent race. Heh, you know America is one screwed up place when Max Mosely's Nazi torture fantasy with hookers gets more press than, you know, the President of the United States actually torturing people. Go figure.

Last, but most certainly not least, I want to note yesterday's announcement that there was a putative appearance of the Wackiest Ships in the Iranian Navy and Filipino Monkey. Of course, the US government already has twenty different takes on the incident. Pretty much the only time our bozos can keep a story straight is when they are ginning up propaganda for their Rent-A-Generals. The video attached to this post is in honor of my two favorite monkeys, The Filipino and The Boosh (technically a chimpanzee I guess). Do check out the video, it is pretty cool. Monkey Man by the one and only Rolling Stones.

Lastly, EW is going to be up with an important post on the Michigan Clusterfuck and her rational solution thereto. I think it is going to be double posted both here and at FDL. At any rate, there is going to be a full court press to get some publicity and national press on the post, so chip in, sign the petition and spread the word. However, because it is important to the cause, use this thread for any "Off Topic" discussions etc. so that she can keep that thread clean and on point.