

TRASH TALK: WATCH THIS SPACE

I think I'm the only one left in town today. Everyone else I know has bailed out to make the last of the rapidly dwindling summer.

Here in Michigan it's been autumn-like all week. I half-expect to see a school bus trundling down the street each morning with dawn temp's below 60F degrees.

It's a blessing for the high school football players, though, who are now practicing every weekday afternoon before their season begins. It's perfect football weather.

And since everyone else has hightailed it to the woods or beach, I'm slapping up a Trash Talk post to catch whatever you folks have to say about sports.

NFL on tap today:

New York Jets v. Tennessee Titans at 4:30 p.m.

Los Angeles Rams v. Dallas Cowboys at 6:00 p.m.

Arizona Cardinals v. Oakland Raiders at 7:00 p.m.

Sorry, I'm not watching any NFL games. Still royally pissed off about Colin Kaepernick's continuing unemployment for no damned good reason. Don't even give me "But his last season..." baloney. Nearly all of us have been lucky at some point in our lives that prospective employers didn't tell us that after an interview and looked instead at the entire body of our work and other mitigating circumstances affecting performance.

Non-football:

Sadly, today saw Usain Bolt's last heats for Jamaica at the World Athletics Championships in London. Really going to miss watching his

superhuman speed; he was an inspiration to my son during his running career. Not many tall men can run like that – my son, being tall, pressed on with running because he knew from Bolt being competitive was a possibility. Now we'll have to watch for the next world record runner to emerge.

The PGA Championship continues today at Quail Hollow in Charlotte, North Carolina. Golf industry is all worked up about an uptick in interest among millennials, probably because of 24-year-old Jordan Spieth. Meh. As long as this sport is too expensive for the average millennial to play on a regular basis, recent interest will fade. There's a reason there hasn't been a remake of the movie Caddyshack.

I forgot to ask my prospective son-in-law and uber-NASCAR fan why he isn't at the Monster Energy NASCAR Cup Series Pure Michigan 400 this weekend. The weather would be great – breezy and cool – though we're getting spotty rain showers which will make for iffy track conditions.

What else is going on? Tell me about it.

p.s. jo6pac, this post is for you, buddy. ~wink~

p.p.s. I need to edit this photo, damn it. I love it but the gallery cuts off her head and the football. Don't really want to do it, though, because it'll mess with the aspect ratio. Photo is by Jose Chavez at Unsplash.

