

EMPTYWHEEL'S FAMOUS FOOTBALL TRASH TALK THREAD

Hello there sports fans and fanettes. You have probably been wondering what happens to the New England Patriots if Tom Brady is injured or out. The second string is a pretty severe step down; for those scoring at home, or even if you are alone (shameless rip off from Keith Olbermann), Brady's backup is Matt Cassel, a perfectly fine chap, and by all accounts a good quarterback.

HOLIDAY TRAVEL

In preparation for a thus-far mythical trip to Philly, I recruited someone to post for me on my driving days. It was a pretty easy decision, really. When I meet TNH/emptywheel people in person, they tend to rave about bmaz. So I thought I'd give him the keys to the front page while I'm gone.

THANKSGIVING FOOTBALL TRASHTALK THREAD

Say, did you know that the last time the Detroit Lions won on Thanksgiving Day, they beat the Packers?

And if you want to answer the absurd quiz, click through to NFL.com, which apparently needs to have four entries for all of its quizzes. How

else to explain the presence of Kitna who, though he has moments of inspiration, is not in the same league as the other guys, particularly not Manning

GONE BEAR HUNTING-LIGHT POSTING

Okay, not bear-hunting. But mr. emptywheel and McCaffrey the MilleniaLab and I are going on a road trip—I'm calling it mr. emptywheel's NFC North driving tour. Where I'm going, the WiFi gods really are jealous gods, so I can't even guarantee I can check in. Though I think I'll find WiFi in time to check in for the Pats-Colts game on Sunday.

GOING FISHING!

Mr. emptywheel and I are headed to DC so McCaffrey the MilleniaLab can attend a very important Furrin' Policy Summit with Kobe, Katy, and Lucy (oh, and so we can go to a wedding or some such rot). The emptywheel pack is going to play around in the mud together for a couple of days on the way back.

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