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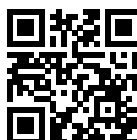
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- Displaying inconsiderate behavior toward others
- Disorderly conduct
- Wearing obscene or indecent clothing
- Smoking in non-designated areas

- Sitting or standing in the aisles
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- Failure to follow instructions of stadium security personnel
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AT COWBOYS

The Vikings completed a 2019 sweep of NFC East teams with a 28-24 victory over the Cowboys on *Sunday Night Football*.

It was Minnesota's first win in Dallas since Nov. 23, 2000. The Vikings improved to 7-3 on the season.

01

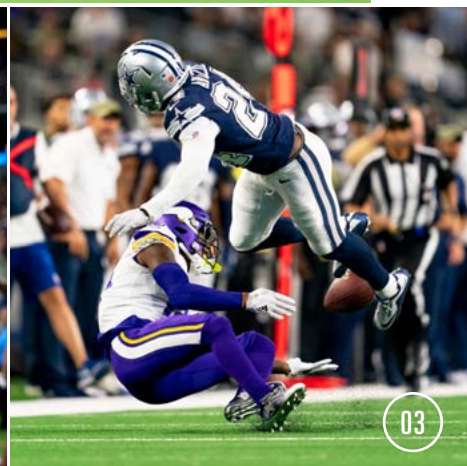
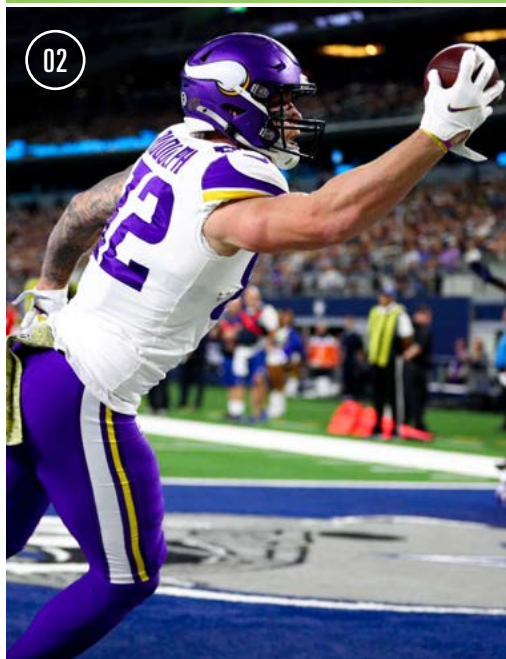
Dalvin Cook led the Vikings with 97 rushing yards and 86 receiving yards. He scored the decisive touchdown and became the second player in the NFL this season with more than 80 rushing and receiving yards in one game. Cook was named NFC Offensive Player of the Week.

02

Kyle Rudolph caught two 1-yard touchdowns and a critical 2-point conversion pass from Kirk Cousins. His first score was secured with one hand.

03

Stefon Diggs made an incredible adjustment on the football for a one-handed catch that gained 27 and set up a field goal before halftime.



WANT MORE?

Check out 'Through the Lens' presented by Andersen Windows and Doors on vikings.com or follow Official Team Photographer Andy Kenutis @vikingsphotog on Instagram.



04 | Minnesota's defense swarmed Dallas running back Ezekiel Elliott, who finished with 47 yards on 20 carries (2.4 yards per rush) and with a long of 6.



05 | Eric Kendricks recorded a key pass breakup on a fourth-and-5 from the Minnesota 14-yard line with less than a minute to play.



06 | Jayron Kearsa high-pointed a Hail Mary pass attempt for an interception on the final play of the game.

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NATIONAL ANTHEM

Staff Sgt. Jeremy Gaynor, a lead vocalist in the Army's West Point Band, will sing the National Anthem.

COLOR GUARD

A Joint Services Honor Guard honoring all branches of service will present the colors and be accompanied by a full-field American flag.



SKOLDIER HATS

The Minnesota Vikings have partnered with Polaris and Wounded Warrior Project to bring you the exclusive Skoldiers Hat. A very limited quantity will be available on the main concourse near Section 101 while supplies last. With a minimum donation of \$20, you will receive a free Skoldiers hat. All proceeds will go directly to Wounded Warrior Project.

HALFTIME

In recognition of the 75th anniversary of D-Day, we will honor and pay tribute to World War II veterans in a special halftime ceremony.

Today's game is the 15th meeting between Denver and Minnesota in the regular season.

The franchises began play in 1960 (Broncos) and 1961 (Vikings), but the teams didn't meet for the first time until Oct. 15, 1972.

Minnesota recorded a 23-20 comeback win at Mile High Stadium thanks to a 31-yard touchdown pass from Fran Tarkenton to Gene Washington.

The series has been remarkably close over the decades. Each team has seven victories.

The Vikings have scored 305 points, and the Broncos have scored 316. Nine contests have been decided by four or fewer points, including the past three in a row that have all been three-point wins by Denver.

Minnesota is seeking its first win in the series since Oct. 19, 2003, a day highlighted by Randy Moss' catch and over-the-head lateral to Moe Williams for a touchdown on the final play of the first half. Lance Johnstone returned an interception 33 yards for a touchdown, and Corey Chavous and Brian Russell also intercepted Steve Beuerlein.



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The Vikings are proud to host their annual Salute to Service game to honor active duty, veterans, and brave service members who are on the POW/MIA list and those who have given the ultimate sacrifice. Players and coaches will wear special-edition Salute to Service gear, much of which will be auctioned to raise money. Since 2011, Salute to Service has raised more than \$34 million for military and veteran nonprofit organizations.

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During each home game, U.S. Bank and the Minnesota Vikings will recognize individuals who have helped make our community a better place.

Today's Hometown Heroes are retired Navy SEAL Mike Ritland, who created the Warrior Dog Foundation, and retired Navy SEAL Benito Olson, who founded Patriot Dog Training. Warrior Dog Foundation is dedicated to serving working military K9s, the special operations community and their families. Even though he was critically wounded in Iraq in 2008, Olson served four additional deployments in Afghanistan. If you would like to nominate a Hometown Hero, visit Vikings.com/fans/promos/hometown-hero.

CENTURYLINK BOOSTBOX

CenturyLink Boostbox is your connection to the Vikings. CenturyLink has teamed up with quarterback Kirk Cousins to connect you to the Vikings all season long. Enter to win an exclusive fan experience including VIP tickets and sideline passes, engraved tablet, signed gear and more! Visit centurylink.com/Vikings to enter.



OPENING DRIVE SWEEPSTAKES

Today's Kwik Trip opening drive contestant is Jeff Schmitz from Owatonna. Jeff will win \$25 for every yard earned on the Vikings opening drive plus a \$500 bonus for a field goal or \$1,000 for an opening drive touchdown. To enter, see your neighborhood Kwik Trip today!

Kwik Trip

COIN TOSS CAPTAIN

U.S. Bank is giving you the chance to receive an exclusive experience to be the U.S. Bank Coin Toss Captain at an upcoming Vikings game! Enter to win two tickets, pregame sideline passes and a commemorative game coin. Visit Vikings.com/Rewards to join Vikings Rewards and enter for your chance to win.



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TOYS FOR TOTS

Fleet Farm

DEC. 10 | 5:30 A.M. - 6:30 PM

Join KFAN and the Minnesota Vikings at the Fleet Farm in Lakeville for our annual Toys for Tots drive on Dec. 10 from 5:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Donate an unwrapped toy for your chance to win Vikings tickets, autographed items and more!

VIKINGS COUNTRY

NOV. 26 | 5:30-8:30 P.M.

Join Mike Mussman along with a current Vikings player for *Vikings Country* presented by Miller Lite on Tuesday, Nov. 26, at Seventh Street Truck Park in St. Paul. You could win great prizes, including tickets in the Miller Lite Lounge at U.S. Bank Stadium! For more info, visit vikings.com/vikingscountry.

WORKOUT WEDNESDAYS*

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 20

Join Vikings Women once a month during the football season for Workout Wednesdays. Classes will be taught by Life Time instructors for all fitness levels. The next class, Gluteus Maxout with Christine Warren, will be held at TCO Performance Center. Register at vikings.com/womensevents.

FRIDAY FOOTBALL FEAST

NOV. 29 | 9 A.M. - NOON

Join KFAN each Friday morning from 9 a.m. to noon for a Friday Football Feast presented by Coors Light and KFAN. Paul Allen and Paul Charchian will get you set for the weekend's action, including an in-depth preview of the upcoming Vikings game. Use #MVPTablePromo in your tweets for a chance to win an MVP experience! The next Friday Football Feast will be at the Buffalo Wild Wings in Roseville.

*Women ages 18 and up are welcome.



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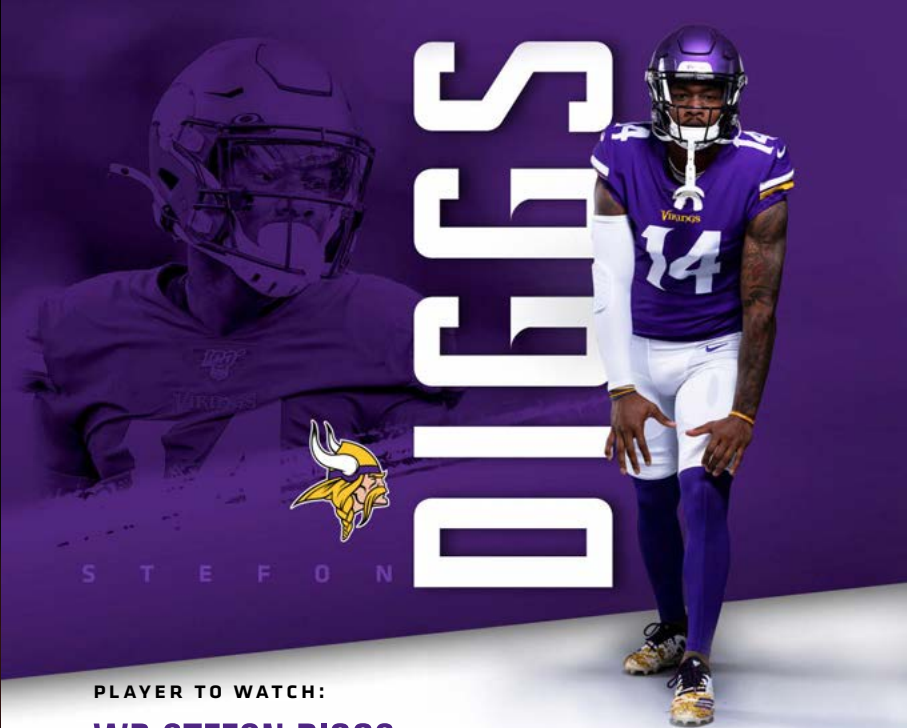
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2019 SEASON LEADERS

Passing (Yds)	Kirk Cousins	2,437
Rushing (Yds)	Dalvin Cook	991
Receiving (Yds)	Stefon Diggs	759
Tackles	Eric Kendricks	97
Sacks	Danielle Hunter	8.5
Interceptions	Anthony Harris	3
KOR (Yds)	Ameer Abdullah	175
PR (Avg.)	Mike Hughes	5.4

2019 SCHEDULE

PRESEASON (3-1)

P1	8/9	at New Orleans Saints	W 34-25
P2	8/18	Seattle Seahawks	W 25-19
P3	8/24	Arizona Cardinals	W 20-9
P4	8/29	at Buffalo Bills	L 27-23

REGULAR SEASON (7-3)

1	9/8	Atlanta Falcons	W 28-12
2	9/15	at Green Bay Packers	L 21-16
3	9/22	Oakland Raiders	W 34-14
4	9/29	at Chicago Bears	L 16-6
5	10/6	at New York Giants	W 28-10
6	10/13	Philadelphia Eagles	W 38-20
7	10/20	at Detroit Lions	W 42-30
8	10/24	Washington Redskins	W 19-9
9	11/3	at Kansas City Chiefs	L 26-23
10	11/10	at Dallas Cowboys	W 28-24
11	11/17	Denver Broncos	
12	11/24	Bye Week	
13	12/2	at Seattle Seahawks	
14	12/8	Detroit Lions	
15	12/15	at Los Angeles Chargers	
16	12/23	Green Bay Packers	
17	12/29	Chicago Bears	

TOP 2 AGAINST BRONCOS

RUSHING YARDS

103	Herschel Walker on 12 attempts in Minnesota (Sept. 29, 1991)
98	Darrin Nelson on 11 attempts in Minnesota (Oct. 26, 1987)

PASSING YARDS

381	Christian Ponder on 29-of-47 passing in Minnesota (Dec. 4, 2011)
366	Sean Salisbury on 19-of-37 passing at Denver (Nov. 14, 1993)

RECEIVING YARDS

156	Percy Harvin on eight catches in Minnesota (Dec. 4, 2011)
151	Randy Moss on 10 catches in Minnesota (Oct. 19, 2003)

PLAYER TO WATCH:

WR STEFON DIGGS

IT'S A LITTLE HARD TO BELIEVE, but Stefon Diggs is more than four years removed from making his professional debut in a game against the Denver Broncos. Diggs didn't start on Oct. 4, 2015, but he brought plenty of juice against the eventual Super Bowl 50 champs. Diggs was targeted 10 times and caught six passes for 87 yards in the fourth game of Minnesota's season, earning a starting spot the following week. Even though the Vikings started five different quarterbacks in Diggs' first four seasons, he has performed well with all. Now with Kirk Cousins for a second consecutive season, Diggs has a wide receiver rating of 113.5 this season on passes thrown his way. Diggs leads receivers in his draft class with 343 receptions and ranks second with 4,252 yards. He is skilled at tracking the deep ball and also effective on short and intermediate routes because of his agility, quickness and route running.

QUITE A STRETCH: DIGGS BROKE A VIKINGS RECORD SET BY RANDY MOSS FOR RECEIVING YARDS IN A THREE-GAME STRETCH THIS SEASON. HE TOTALED 452 YARDS IN WEEKS 6-8 TO TOP THE HALL OF FAMER'S 446 IN 2001.

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Diggs has posted 100 or more receiving yards in 14 career regular-season games, the sixth-most in Vikings history. Six of those games have occurred in home performances.

2019 SEASON LEADERS

Passing (Yds)	Joe Flacco (IR)	1,822
Rushing (Yds)	Phillip Lindsay	584
Receiving (Yds)	Courtland Sutton	692
Tackles	J. Simmons, T. Davis	53
Sacks	Derek Wolfe	5.0
Interceptions	Justin Simmons	2
KOR (Yds)	Dontae Spencer	116
PR (Avg.)	Dontae Spencer	8.2

2019 SCHEDULE

PRESEASON (2-3)

P1	8/1	at Atlanta Falcons*	W	14-10
P2	8/8	at Seattle Seahawks	L	22-14
P3	8/19	San Francisco 49ers	L	24-15
P4	8/24	at Los Angeles Rams	L	10-6
P5	8/29	Arizona Cardinals	W	20-7

REGULAR SEASON (3-6)

1	9/9	at Oakland Raiders	L	24-16
2	9/15	Chicago Bears	L	16-14
3	9/22	at Green Bay Packers	L	27-16
4	9/29	Jacksonville Jaguars	L	26-24
5	10/6	at Los Angeles Chargers	W	20-13
6	10/13	Tennessee Titans	W	16-0
7	10/17	Kansas City Chiefs	L	30-6
8	10/27	at Indianapolis Colts	L	15-13
9	11/3	Cleveland Browns	W	24-19
10	11/10	Bye Week		
11	11/17	at Minnesota Vikings		
12	11/24	at Buffalo Bills		
13	12/1	Los Angeles Chargers		
14	12/8	at Houston Texans		
15	12/15	at Kansas City Chiefs		
16	12/22	Detroit Lions		
17	12/29	Oakland Raiders		

TOP 2 AGAINST VIKINGS

RUSHING YARDS

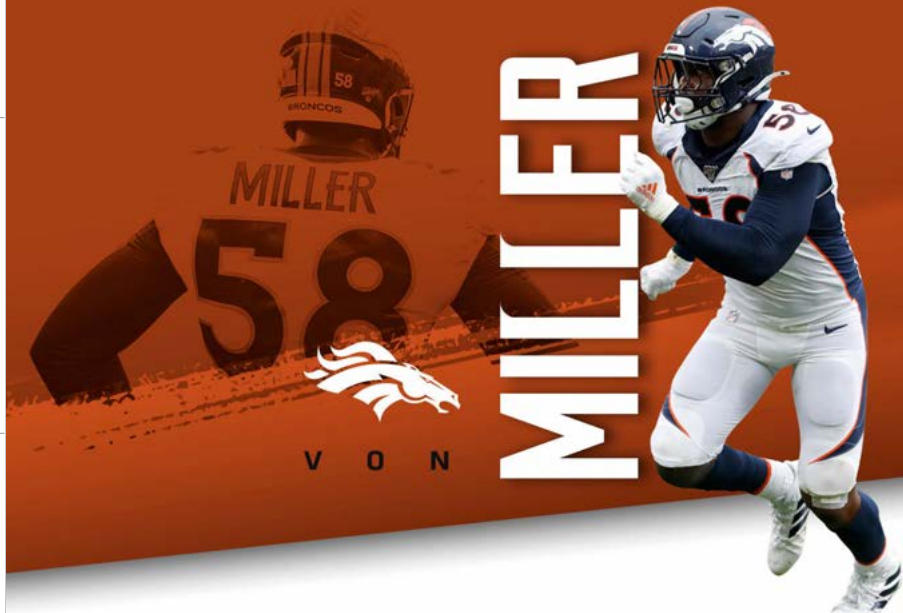
158	Gaston Green on 26 attempts in Minnesota (Sept. 29, 1991)
117	Clinton Portis on 25 attempts in Minnesota (Oct. 19, 2003)

PASSING YARDS

334	John Elway on 27-of-36 passing in Minnesota (Nov. 24, 1996)
290	John Elway on 30-of-40 passing at Denver (Nov. 14, 1993)

RECEIVING YARDS

144	Demaryius Thomas on four catches in Minnesota (Dec. 4, 2011)
123	Steve Watson on five catches at Denver (Nov. 18, 1984)



PLAYER TO WATCH:

OLB VON MILLER

WHEN VON MILLER GETS GOING, it's hard for an offensive line to hit the brakes on the edge rusher. Miller has recorded 1.5 or more sacks in 24 of his 129 career regular-season games, including two so far this season. He has totaled 3.0 sacks in five contests, stacking effective season after effective season together. The seven-time *Associated Press* All-Pro (First Team in 2012, 2015 and 2016) has had at least 10 sacks in seven of his first eight pro seasons, which is a franchise record. The lone exception was 2013, when he missed seven games. The seven-time Pro Bowler's best output for a season was 18.5 sacks in 2012. He thrives when he is able to use his speed around the edge, so quarterbacks must be mindful with the depth of their drop backs, and teams might scheme to provide extra help with a tight end at the line of scrimmage or a running back.

ON THE BIG STAGE: MILLER RECORDED 2.5 SACKS AND FOUR QUARTERBACK HITS IN SUPER BOWL 50 TO CLAIM MVP HONORS. HE BECAME THE 10TH DEFENSIVE PLAYER TO GARNER THE AWARD. MILLER ALSO HAD 2.5 SACKS IN THE AFC CHAMPIONSHIP.

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Miller recorded his 100th career sack in Week 4 against Jacksonville, which was just the 124th regular-season game of his career. He is Denver's all-time sacks leader with 102.

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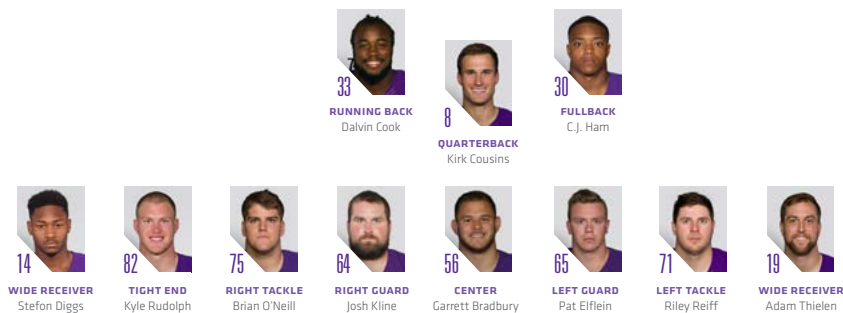


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VIKINGS ROSTER

2	Britton Colquitt	P
4	Sean Mannion	QB
5	Dan Bailey	K
8	Kirk Cousins	QB
11	Laquon Treadwell	WR
13	Josh Doctson	WR
14	Stefon Diggs	WR
19	Adam Thielen	WR
20	Mackensie Alexander	CB
21	Mike Hughes	CB
22	Harrison Smith	S
23	Mike Boone	RB
24	Holton Hill	CB
25	Alexander Mattison	RB
26	Trae Waynes	CB
27	Jayron Kearsae	S
29	Xavier Rhodes	CB
30	C.J. Ham	FB
31	Ameer Abdullah	RB
33	Dalvin Cook	RB
34	Andrew Sendejo	S
38	Kris Boyd	CB
40	Kentrell Brothers	LB
41	Anthony Harris	S
42	Ben Gedeon	LB
50	Eric Wilson	LB
51	Hercules Mata'afa	DT
54	Eric Kendricks	LB
55	Anthony Barr	LB
56	Garrett Bradbury	C
58	Austin Cutting	LS
61	Brett Jones	C
64	Josh Kline	G
65	Pat Elflein	G
69	Rashod Hill	T
71	Riley Reiff	T
73	Dru Samia	G
74	Olisaemeka Udoh	T
75	Brian O'Neill	T
78	Dakota Dozier	G
81	Bisi Johnson	WR
82	Kyle Rudolph	TE
83	Tyler Conklin	TE
84	Irv Smith Jr.	TE
91	Stephen Weatherly	DE
92	Jalyn Holmes	DT
93	Shamar Stephen	DT
94	Jaleel Johnson	DT
95	Ifeadi Odenigbo	DE
96	Armon Watts	DT
97	Everson Griffen	DE
98	Linval Joseph	DT
99	Danielle Hunter	DE



VIKINGS OFFENSE



BRONCOS DEFENSE

VIKINGS SPECIAL TEAMS



ROSTER AND DEPTH CHART

MINNESOTA VIKINGS

OFFENSE

WR	Diggs	B. Johnson	
LT	Reiff	Hill	
LG	Elflein	Dozier	
C	Bradbury	Jones	
RG	Kline	Samia	
RT	O'Neill	Hill	Udoh
TE	Rudolph	I. Smith Jr.	Conklin
WR	Thielen	Treadwell	
QB	Cousins	Mannion	
FB	Ham		
HB	Cook	Mattison	Abdullah

DEFENSE

LDE	Hunter	Weatherly	
NT	Joseph	J. Johnson	Watts
DT	Stephen	Holmes	Mata'afa
RDE	Griffen	Odenigbo	
WLB	Gedeon	Wilson	
MLB	Kendricks	Brothers	
SLB	Barr	Wilson	
LCB	Waynes	Hughes	Boyd
RCB	Rhodes	Alexander	Hill
SS	H. Smith	Kearsae	
FS	Harris	Sendejo	

BRONCOS ROSTER

2	Brandon Allen	QB
4	Brett Rypien	QB
6	Colby Wadman	P
8	Brandon McManus	K
11	Diontae Spencer	WR
14	Courtland Sutton	WR
15	Juwann Winfree	WR
17	DaeSean Hamilton	WR
19	Fred Brown	WR
20	Duke Dawson Jr.	DB
22	Kareem Jackson	DB
23	Devontae Booker	RB
25	Chris Harris Jr.	CB
26	Isaac Yiadom	CB
27	Davontae Harris	CB
28	Royce Freeman	RB
29	Bryce Callahan	CB
30	Phillip Lindsay	RB
31	Justin Simmons	S
32	Andy Janovich	FB
34	Will Parks	S
36	Trey Marshall	S
37	Coty Sensabaugh	CB
42	Casey Kreiter	LS
43	Joseph Jones	ILB
45	Alexander Johnson	LB
47	Josey Jewell	ILB
51	Todd Davis	ILB
52	Justin Hollins	LB
54	Josh Watson	ILB
57	DeMarcus Walker	DE
58	Von Miller	OLB
59	Malik Reed	OLB
60	Connor McGovern	G
65	Ron Leary	G
66	Dalton Risner	OL
68	Elijah Wilkinson	G/T
69	Jake Rodgers	T
70	Ja'Wuan James	T
71	Austin Schlottmann	G/C
72	Garett Bolles	T
76	Calvin Anderson	T
82	Jeff Heuerman	TE
83	Andrew Beck	FB/TE
84	Troy Fumagalli	TE
87	Noah Fant	TE
92	Jonathan Harris	DL
93	Dre'Mont Jones	DE
95	Derek Wolfe	DE
96	Shelby Harris	DE
97	Jeremiah Attaochu	OLB
98	Mike Purcell	DL
99	Adam Gotsis	DE



42
LINEBACKER
Ben Gedeon



41
SAFETY
Anthony Harris



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LINEBACKER
Eric Kendricks



22
SAFETY
Harrison Smith



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LINEBACKER
Anthony Barr



26
CORNERBACK
Trae Waynes



97
DEFENSIVE END
Everson Griffen



98
NOSE TACKLE
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93
DEFENSIVE TACKLE
Shamar Stephen



99
DEFENSIVE END
Danielle Hunter



29
CORNERBACK
Xavier Rhodes

VIKINGS DEFENSE

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17
WIDE RECEIVER
DaeSean Hamilton



71
LEFT TACKLE
Garrett Bolles



66
LEFT GUARD
Dalton Risner



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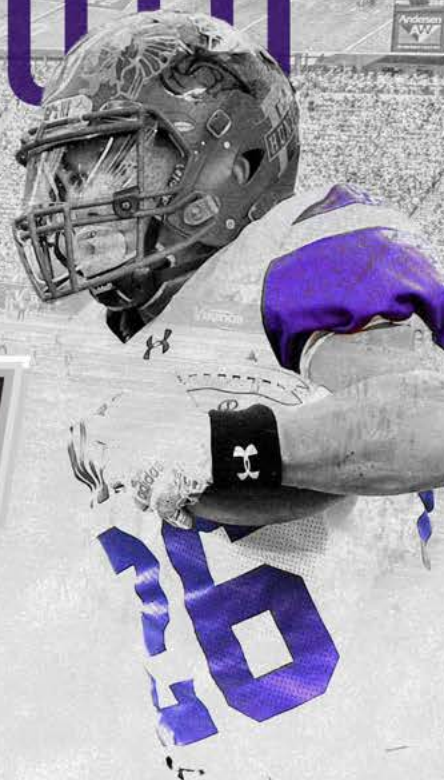
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TIMEOUT WITH DAN BAILEY

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HAS LOGGED 999 CAREER POINTS

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GRANDFATHER SERVED IN THE U.S. NAVY

DAN BAILEY HAD NO IDEA. THE KICKER WAS UNAWARE OF HOW CLOSE HE WAS TO HIS 1,000TH CAREER POINT HEADING INTO WEEK 10'S GAME AT DALLAS AGAINST HIS FORMER TEAM.

He also didn't keep track during Minnesota's 28-24 victory at Dallas in which he kicked a pair of field goals and two extra points, bringing his career total to 999, which is tied with Dan Carpenter (2008-16) for 62nd in NFL history.

He can become the fourth kicker who has ever played part or all of his career with the Vikings to record more than 1,000 career points.

Bailey, who began his career as an undrafted free agent in 2011 and played his first seven seasons with the Cowboys, also was oblivious to the fact that he's never missed a kick against the Washington Redskins.

After making four field goals and an extra point in Week 8 to garner his second NFC Special Teams Player of the Week award of 2019, Bailey is now 30-for-30 on field goals and 37-for-37 on extra points against Washington. He credits the operation of long snapper Austin Cutting, a rookie who is also fulfilling his commitment to the Air Force, and

holder Britton Colquitt, who began his career in Denver and signed with Minnesota just before 2019.

It turns out that Bailey's narrow focus has allowed him to stack big numbers.

"Honestly, my goal is to go out there and make every kick, but you know that they're not all going to go in," Bailey said. "I think it's trying to stack as many good games and years together as you can. Cumulative numbers kind of take care of themselves.

"I don't know that [scoring 1,000 points] was ever on my radar, to be honest," Bailey added. "I'm not saying that to sound cliché. I just didn't really think of it that way. I'm just more concerned about doing it as long as I can because I love doing it here."

When he's not aiming between the uprights, Bailey loves taking flight. He earned his pilot's license and eventually bought a small airplane once he found a good deal.

Bailey then needed to find a spot to store it near his home in the Dallas area, which has led to a unique bond with a group of flight enthusiasts who served in the military. It began when Bailey was paired randomly to play golf with a man who had a connection at an airstrip near Bailey's home.

"[Hangar space is] hard to come by and not advertised, but once you're in it, 'Well, so-and-so knows so-and-so,' and it's like this whole other world that you never knew about," Bailey said. "The more I was out there, the more I learned

that they were doing some really fun stuff, going up in formation flights, flying an hour away or two hours away to go eat breakfast.

"I got involved with that group, and it just grew from there," he continued. "Most of them are former military. ... I've learned so much from those guys."

Bailey flew his plane to Minnesota for the Vikings offseason program this spring. On off days or after wrapping workouts, Bailey would head over to Flying Cloud Airport in Eden Prairie and quickly and quietly join the clouds.

He "kind of buzzed around" northern Minnesota and also flew over the Apostle Islands in Lake Superior this offseason.



WE CAUGHT UP WITH
▼ BAILEY FOR A TIMEOUT



Q. What is it like to see changes in topography and weather happen in front of you on such a long flight (from Dallas to Minnesota)?

A. “It was definitely interesting. I had some longer flights before. I flew to Indiana to see my buddy and a couple of other ones, but it was really neat to see how the landscape changes as you get farther north. Obviously, it’s mostly flat the whole way, but it was a cool experience. It’s a lot faster than driving up here, too. I enjoyed it. It’s a good time to kind of clear your mind. You’re obviously paying attention to what you’re doing, but it’s good therapy, too.”

Q. Do you have a favorite time of year to fly?

A. “Up here, when there’s snow on the ground, it’s cool. I know last year I went up a couple of times during the season on an off day and it was snowy, so that was kind of different. It’s kind of pretty in a way, but I would say summer, especially down in Texas. Austin and [Texas] Hill Country is really pretty. The only thing is you’ve got to go really early in the morning or late in the afternoon because it’s just too hot, and my plane doesn’t have AC, so whatever the air outside is, is what you’ve got.”

Q. What do you love about kicking at U.S. Bank Stadium?

A. “Being inside is most of it, but what I do like about here is the atmosphere. It just feels like football. You go other places, especially other places inside, they can have a tendency to be almost like you’re in a living room or something, just kind of a different feel, but it just feels like a football game here. That’s not to take away from anywhere else, but I enjoy that. It just gets me more in the mood and makes it that much more fun.”

Q. Your grandfather, who served in the Navy, and your father also flew. What does it mean to carry-on the family tradition?

A. “My grandfather worked for General Dynamics – [he did design work on fighters and bombers] – for 30 years, so it was always talked about. ... It was part of everybody’s lives. We used to go to airshows every year [in Oklahoma and Texas]. ... Everything from going those to reading books, it’s just always been of interest, a passion, I guess. It’s always been part of our lives.”

Q. How has your relationship with the veterans in your Texas flight group impacted your appreciation for active military and veterans?

A. “Some of the stories they have, it really makes it more real. I’m sure that’s the same for people who have close family members or friends involved. You realize these

people are really out there putting it on the line, and a lot of these guys were active duty and had combat hours during Vietnam. It puts it in a different perspective for me. ... They have stories where it could have gone either way on living or dying, so it makes me appreciate it that much more. It’s a blast to be around those guys and makes me thankful that I’m able to fly and have all of this fun because people like them did what they needed to do so we have those freedoms. I’m very appreciative of them, for sure.

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ALL ABOUT THE PROCESS

When Vikings quarterback Kirk Cousins hits the field today against Denver, it will mark his 75th consecutive start in the National Football League.

Not a bad streak for a guy who was a fourth-round pick in 2012 and didn't become a full-time starter in the league until his fourth professional season.

Cousins' play has helped him carve out a successful career - just look at the fact he's one of two quarterbacks in the NFL, along with Philip Rivers, with 4,000-plus passing yards and at least 25 passing touchdowns over the past four seasons.

The production is visible, but few publicly know of the behind-the-scenes preparation work that Cousins puts in each week, when he analyzes and scrutinizes every nugget of data possible.

"When you go into a game, you want that peace of mind to know, 'I'm ready,'" Cousins said. "How do you get that? Well, I think it's when you know you have a to-do list, a checklist, and have checked all the boxes.

"If you've checked all the boxes and have seen for years that it's what you need to be ready to go, then the next game you check those same boxes and say, 'Hey, despite any concerns I may have, I'm prepared and ready to go. Let's go play,'" Cousins added.

Cousins' mindset is as dialed-in as any player on the Vikings. His preparation is meticulous.

"Yeah, that's a good word," Vikings backup

quarterback Sean Mannion said with a laugh. "He's all about the details. He always wants to know the answers, and he's always looking for even more information."

A glimpse of Cousins' detailed habits can be found inside a pair of blue tote bins inside the quarterbacks meeting room on the second floor of Twin Cities Orthopedics Performance Center.

The bins sit unassumingly on the floor in a corner of the room but are within reach of Cousins' desk so that the quarterback can call on them when needed.

Among the items Cousins revealed he stores inside are his playbook from his 2012 rookie season under current 49ers Head Coach Kyle Shanahan, who was Washington's offensive coordinator at the time.

The bins also include weekly notes from every game he's played in as a starter, as he keeps them neatly tucked away in folders.

"He's got some stuff in there that's really fun," Vikings quarterbacks coach Clint Kubiak said.

In the days leading up to Minnesota's Week 9 road game against the Chiefs, Cousins recalled bits of information from the 2016 and 2017 seasons when he went against Steve Spagnuolo's defense. Spagnuolo was with the Giants then, but he now runs the defense in Kansas City.

He also pulled out old notes for the Vikings Week 8 game on *Thursday Night Football*





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> KIRK'S STORAGE BINS

against Washington, his former team.

“This year, I’ve pulled out some stuff multiple times,” Cousins said. “Playing [Washington], obviously, I had information saved that I felt was valuable from going against them for so many years in practice.”

Cousins said the information also comes in handy when he needs a sense of familiarity with an unfamiliar opponent, such as today’s game against Denver.

The quarterback has faced the Broncos just twice in his NFL career, with only one start. But even though Cousins may not be overly acquainted with Denver’s defenders, he knows Broncos Head Coach Vic Fangio’s scheme well. Fangio was Chicago’s defensive coordinator from 2015-2018, when Cousins faced the Bears a total of four times.

“I have notes from last year playing against Vic Fangio with the Bears that I’ll be able to go look up if I want to go find something out about those two weeks. I have all that information, plus the papers that are given to me of the plan we put together,” Cousins said. “I don’t just recycle them. I take them out and put them in a file folder and then set them in that bin. And, once we fill up a bin, we just get another one and start stacking them up. It’s about time to get a third bin.

“I don’t know any other way. This is a thinking man’s game. I have to prepare and be ready to go. I can’t imagine taking valuable notes from a plan I had prepared for a week, and then just getting rid of them,” Cousins added. “That is too valuable of information. Whether or not I call on it every week may or may not happen, but why not at least keep it around?”

Coaches and teammates who go through the daily grind with Cousins are amazed at how painstakingly detailed he is. Kubiak and Mannion are both in their first season with Cousins.

“Kirk’s the first one I’ve seen really catalog it that way,” Mannion said. “But if you’re just sitting on it and stockpiling it, it doesn’t really do you any good. What’s great about Kirk is that he’s willing to go back there and look at things in the past. ... It shows he’s always learning.

“This isn’t just surface-level stuff. ... He’s all about the details and all about preparing. It shows he’s willing to really study and look at all the tendencies and look at all the things he can learn from. To keep stuff from over the years all catalogued, it shows that, No. 1, you have great attention to detail,” Mannion added. “And No. 2, you can get a lot out of studying and are really focused and are stressing the finer points and looking for different tells and things week-to-week that can make you successful. To have that focus and commitment to catalog all of it, it speaks to his attention and preparation for details.”

Added Kubiak: “Full disclosure: I really expected it having seen his success in the league. You don’t have that kind of success and build a career without being exceptional in the classroom. He’s exceeded those expectations, works really hard at it. ... You can see how important it is to him. He doesn’t take anything for granted and makes sure he knows the game plan inside and out.”

In addition to the files that Cousins keeps inside the QB room, he also almost always has a computation notebook with him throughout the week.

The brown-covered booklet is used the most on Mondays because Cousins has a strict routine that is planned out hour by hour.

In weeks where the Vikings play Sunday, Cousins said he arrives at the team facility around the same time each Monday and has breakfast before getting in a quick lift. He then re-watches the previous day’s game, jotting down his own thoughts in the notebook.

“I’m too impatient,” Cousins said with a smile. “When the game ends, I want to see it as quickly as possible, so I watch it on my own first.”

He then watches film with a group of Minnesota’s offensive coaches, including Vikings Offensive Coordinator Kevin Stefanski, Kubiak and others, so he can hear their thoughts.

“I think there are few things more valuable as a player than to watch live game film and to learn from it. I take that very seriously,” Cousins said. “Everybody has a different perspective. I have my opinion from what

I saw and how I was playing and what was going through my mind ... and they want to hear from me and what I was thinking.

"But it's vice versa ... I want to hear from them and what they were thinking. The game happens so fast that I'm not able to hear why [Stefanski] called a certain play, or what he was thinking," Cousins continued. "After the game, I can hear that more, and it's great to have that dialogue back and forth with the coaches."

Up next is a meeting with coaches and the Vikings scouting department to get a jump-start on the upcoming opponent and their personnel. Cousins then grabs lunch, records his weekly podcast and heads home in the mid-afternoon.

But his routine doesn't stop there, as he then plans a few hours for what he calls "body work."

"There are people who basically put me back together again after each game – chiropractic work and tissue work," Cousins said. "They come to my house and spend two-and-a-half hours with me every Monday."

Cousins then heads to team Bible study before he comes home, tunes into *Monday Night Football* and hits the hay.

Cousins said he is adamant about following the same Monday routine whether the Vikings win or lose the previous day. His Monday schedule was the same during a perfect four-game stretch in October when he won the NFC Offensive Player of the Month, and didn't alter after a recent loss to the Chiefs or last week's win at Dallas.

Much like those notes in the blue tote bins, Cousins said he developed his Monday routine back in 2015 when he became a full-time starter in the NFL.

"My wife and I decided we needed to get more of a true routine to our season. ... We both knew I needed to have more of a plan," Cousins said. "We kind of sat down and got it dialed in. It's been a good plan for us ever since, and we haven't changed much."

"I also give a lot of credit to Matt Cavanaugh, my quarterbacks coach in Washington in 2015, [who is now a senior offensive assistant there]. He was the

one who encouraged me to get a routine, stick to it, have a plan and save my material," Cousins added. "I started doing that and took him seriously, and I think it's been a tremendous blessing for me. I really credit him with the way I prepare and play the position. I think he had a major impact on it."

Cousins disclosed he usually goes through three of those computation notebooks each season – one for the offseason program and training camp, and then one for each half of the regular season.

"But if we get to the playoffs then I'll probably have to start another book because I'll have run out of space," Cousins said. "That'd be a great thing."

Such opportunity could be there for Cousins and the Vikings, who currently sit at 7-3, in second place in the NFC North and in line for a Wild Card spot.

Minnesota finished 8-7-1 in Cousins' first season in Purple in 2018, missing out on a postseason berth with a Week 17 loss at home to Chicago that kept the Vikings from playing in January.

The Vikings 2019 schedule is eerily similar to the 2018 version, including a challenging road test on *Monday Night Football* at Seattle.

There is also a tough slate of games against NFC North foes, with another regular-season finale at home against the Bears on the docket.

Cousins knows the schedule is daunting, but doable. But it also offers another chance for the quarterback to prove his doubters wrong and help elevate the Vikings to a place they've never been before.

"It's a great opportunity to make amends for what was a tough ending to the season last year," Cousins said. "In a lot of ways, we did some good things and it came down to one final game at home, and we didn't get the job done."

"This year, we need to do that, there's no doubt about it. Preferably, sooner than later," Cousins added. "We'd like to win in such a way where we don't have it come down to the final game."



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A veil of silver fog hovered across the horizon just before the warmth of a golden sunrise began dissipating it.

The early June air carried a slight chill, and all around was a peaceful quiet, broken only by the call of an out-of-sight bird.

Vikings General Manager Rick Spielman walked through the Eden Prairie neighborhoods with his three dogs who trotted calmly alongside him, untethered.

The foursome, joined that morning a little after 5 by three visitors, arrived at an intersection.

"Show 'em what we do. What do we do when we get to the corner?" Spielman prompted the dogs. He directed attention to the second-oldest of the group, a white-and-gray mix.

" 'Cozy, what are you supposed to do?' "

Cozy looked up at Spielman and slowly lowered her

RICK SPIELMAN

BY LINDSEY YOUNG

hindquarters to the sidewalk, joining her "siblings" in the seated position.

"Thank you," Spielman said with a proud smile. "OK, let's go."

Spielman and his wife, Michele, adopted all three furry friends – Cozy, Bones and Una – that quickly became a part the family.

The early morning walk is a ritual, something rarely missed throughout the course of a year, even during the demanding chaos of an NFL season and in the Minnesota winters.

"Zero degrees is our breaking point. Or, maybe, minus-5," Spielman said.

It's therapeutic. A way to clear his mind, gather his thoughts and reset for the day.

Just a man and his dogs.

And each one has a different personality and backstory.

The first of the three that were adopted from Mexico was Una, named for her single ear. She's afraid of storms and very loving but, as Spielman adds, is "the prissiest" of the trio.

"She thinks she is better than all the other dogs, so she will try to pull that card out on the others since she's older than them," Spielman laughed. "She's the one that gets the privilege of sleeping at the bottom of our bed. She won't let the other ones come close or to that. But she thinks she's the alpha male. Female."

The family next adopted Cozumel, which they shortened to Cozy.

"She used to look like the GEICO pig – she had a really tiny head and a big body, and we had to put her on a diet," Spielman quipped. "She's probably

the one [who is most] scared and nervous around people. But she's been a great dog.

"She's way closer to her brother, Bones, than she is to Una, because there's a lot of [sister rivalry] in that area," he added.

The Spielmans adopted Bones, a boxer-hound mix that weighed just seven pounds when he was rescued from the streets of Mexico. And now? The sweet pup checks in at close to 100 pounds and would be a "Hall of Fame therapy dog," according to his owners.

"He loves people; he's by your feet all the time," Spielman said. "No matter what you're doing, he wants to be there and be involved. It's funny – even if we have [people come to work on the house], they're downstairs eating lunch in the basement, and Bones goes down and sits right in the middle of the men.

"As big and scary as he looks, he's probably the most gentle, kindest dog we've ever had," he added.

Just like their "dad," the Spielman pups are creatures of habit and routine.

The dogs are let outside each evening, and it's not uncommon for Bones and Una to compete to be the first one out the door.

"They've got their little sibling rivalries," Spielman said. "But they never actually fight or anything like that."

And they have two-legged siblings, as well.

Rick and Michele have adopted six children – Juan, Luis, Ronnie, J.D., Omie and Whitney – and are passionate about the positive impact that adoption can have on families.

So, when it came to adding pets into the fold, they approached with a similar philosophy.

"I think it starts with my wife and the size heart that she has," Spielman said. "These are dogs that, I don't know what happens to them if they don't find a home, and it gives us an opportunity to give them [a second] chance.

"They're the greatest dogs ever," he continued. "All the rescue dogs that we've taken in have been the best dogs around the kids, the greatest family dogs and probably the most loving dogs we've had."

When the group departed the house, before the sky had entirely lightened, the trio had excitedly run down the driveway but stopped short before crossing. As if on cue, all three tipped their heads back to watch for Spielman, who followed just behind.

And then he lifted them up into his arms, one by one, over the edge of the driveway and into the street.

"They think they have a [shock] collar on, but they don't," Spielman explained. "So, they won't go past until they get lifted over."

On the walk's return trip, however, the group hurries home and up the driveway toward breakfast without hesitation.

"We trained them that if they ever got out of the yard, not to be afraid to come back," Spielman said. "They think they can't go out. But they know they can always go back home."

Sadly, Cozy passed away shortly after this interview and visit. She will forever remain a part of the Spielman family.

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IT'S DIFFICULT TO MISS BRITTON COLQUITT'S LOCKER.

The lockers of most players are fairly nondescript, and – with the exception of Josh Kline's cowboy boots – the majority use the top shelf simply to hold their helmets and shoulder pads.

Then there's Britton. The top section of his locker houses a small community of characters: a plush pirate, a Freddie Mercury figurine, a blue Gonzo Muppet and a large sloth that hangs out past the edge. A toy hawk perches on the right-hand wall.

And that's only a handful of the friends who call the punter's locker home.

"This is my office, and I like my office to be fun and just to have good, warm feelings, so these are kind of my little buddies that [have gotten] added to," Britton said.

His teammates, current and former, say that Britton's collection fits his quirky personality.

"It's definitely unique, that's for sure," Vikings kicker Dan Bailey said of the locker room menagerie.

Cardinals long snapper Aaron Brewer, who spent his first four NFL seasons in Denver with Britton, laughs over the phone.

"You talk to him for one second, and you

know he's a very lively personality," Brewer said. "He can bring guys together."

Interestingly, the childlike collection in Britton's locker is a microcosm of the way he does just that, staying connected with teammates throughout his NFL career.

Each figurine or stuffed animal represents a different teammate of Britton's over his 10 pro seasons. In some cases, there are two characters for one player. Rookie long snapper Austin Cutting is repped by a little stuffed bear that wears a military jacket and plays the Air Force fight song.

But Britton explains an additional connection.

"Austin informed me that, really, his spirit animal is the sloth," he said with a laugh. "He loves sloths, and we've watched a few videos of them. So, I think that sloth is pretty fitting, the way that he's kind of just

hanging in there, overlooking [things]."

It doesn't take too much imagination to find the match for the Rudolph-the-Red-Nosed-Reindeer plush, which Britton explains he added soon after meeting the Vikings veteran tight end.

"But it seems that Kyle Rudolph really wants to be present in my locker," he quipped. "I actually got the Rudolph [plush], and I feel like he wanted to be in there even more, so he gave me the Hamburger Helper hand."

For Bailey, who attended Oklahoma State University, there's a Pistol Pete nutcracker with an intimidating mug.

"Some of them make total sense, and then other ones, I'm like, 'I don't know where he comes up with this stuff or why,'" Bailey joked. "But it's good. I think his locker is literally the only one that has anything in it, really.

"It's kind of good to break it up," he added. "Especially where his locker is – everybody sees it, so it's hard to miss. I think it's pretty funny."





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- BRITTON COLQUITT

Pioneered with the Pirate

So, how did all of this get started, anyway? Britton explains that the tradition began in 2016 when, after six seasons in Denver, he was released. Let go by the Broncos that same offseason was Brewer, who had just finished his rookie contract.

When the teammates went their separate ways, equipment staff packed up their lockers and shipped the contents to them. Except someone made a packing mistake, and the plush pirate that previously had been in Brewer's locker ended up sent to Britton, who had joined the Browns.

"I was away from my buddy, I was on a new team in Cleveland, and I missed my friend," Britton recalled. "And I said, 'You know what? He's going to be here with me in my locker.' So that's how it started, with the pirate. That's the original character because I just felt like it was sent to me for a reason."

From there, items slowly were added to the group.

Zane Gonzalez kicked with Britton in Cleveland, and his "Gonzo" nickname translated easily to the blue Gonzo Muppet. But Britton couldn't represent Gonzalez without including his long snapper at the time, Charley Hughlett, so he added a Cookie Monster doll because of Hughlett's favorite snack.

"For a while, I just had those three. Then the next year, Zane got released, and Greg Joseph comes to the team. Greg happens to be Jewish, so during Christmastime, he brought what's called 'The Mensch on a Bench' and put it all around our locker room. Eventually he just gave it to my locker."

And then there were four. But the collection really picked up steam when Britton came to Minnesota just before the start of the 2019 season.

In addition to Vikings teammates Bailey, Cutting and Rudolph, Britton has since added the miniature Freddie Mercury for Broncos kicker Brandon McManus – "if you look at pictures of him right now, he's got quite the Freddie Mercury 'stache" – and the hawk for Matt Prater.

"His spirit animal – or 'totem,' as he says – is a hawk," Britton explained of the kicker now in Detroit. "He's got hawk feathers tattooed on his arm. ... Really, that should have been the first stuffed animal I had."

Light and Lively

In the two months since Britton has joined the team, he's developed connections across the locker room and built a rapport with Bailey and Cutting that has helped the trio operate smoothly together on the field.

Vikings Special Teams Coordinator Marwan Maalouf said that Britton's demeanor has been a positive addition to the room, complementing those of Bailey and Cutting.

"If anything, Britton's personality brings out some liveliness in everybody. I think it's a good thing," Maalouf said. "He adds a little bit of a relaxed nature, [and] I think that's a plus. It kind of keeps everybody even-keeled."

"We have fun. We're with these guys more than we are with our own families," Maalouf added. "When you can laugh and enjoy being around each other, that's a huge positive."

Britton completed just one practice with the Vikings before joking with Twin Cities media members in September about the difference in temperament between him and fellow veteran Bailey.

"Dan is laid-back, he's quiet. I'm not quiet," Britton said. "We're like Yin and Yang, but it works pretty good. I talk a lot. The chemistry is good."

Bailey concurred with the contrast.

"I don't know if you were trying to get three personalities to sync up, if you would pick us three, but I don't know – it just works," he said.

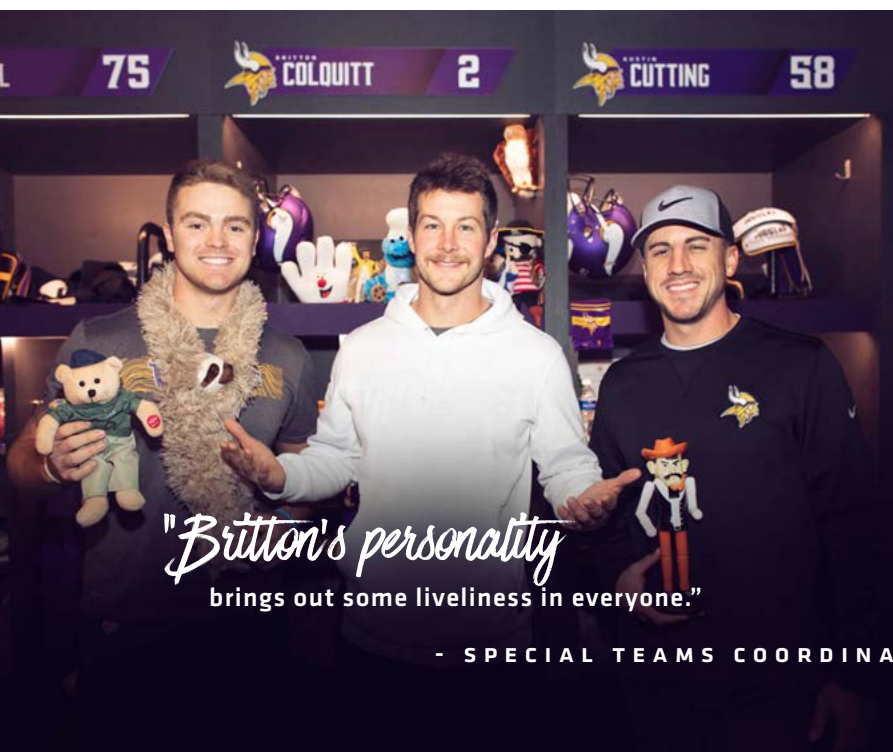
Bailey has twice earned NFC Special Teams Player of the Week (both in October) in two-plus months of working with Britton, despite the two of them never crossing paths previously in their careers. He said that Britton's experience in the league "has been huge" in catching up and finding a rhythm with each other quickly.

"He's made it super easy," Bailey said. "He's kind of a happy-go-lucky, goofy guy, but at the same time, you know he's going to do his job, and he's going to have the confidence to do what he needs to do."

At 35 years old, Britton hopes his NFL career will continue in Minnesota – along with his cast of characters.

"I think it will keep evolving," said Britton, who explained that left guard Pat Elflein is vying for an 'Elf on the Shelf' this December.

"I feel like, who knows? Maybe by the end of my career ... hopefully I'm here with the Vikings, and it's just all [filled in] back there," Britton added, gesturing to the main locker space. "I mean, there's a lot of places here we could put stuff in the back."



- SPECIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR MARWAN MAALOUF



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VA PATIENTS VISIT VIKINGS MUSEUM



HY-VEE VETERANS VOYAGE

Five World War II veterans embarked this month on an unprecedented Hy-Vee Veterans Voyage.

The veterans, who range from 94 to 101 years of age, visited England and France for free thanks to a partnership between Hy-Vee and the Minnesota Vikings.

Fred Apfelbacher and Donald J. Halverson served in the United States Army, and Robert Holmstrom, James R. Rasmussen and William T. Patten, 101, served in the U.S. Army Air Forces, the precursor to the Department of the Air Force, which was established in 1947.

The heroes visited Twin Cities Orthopedics Performance Center for a Saturday practice where they were welcomed by Head Coach Mike Zimmer and players before making their trip overseas.

A videographer from Vikings Entertainment Network accompanied the group on the trip to Europe. The veterans are scheduled to attend today's game to be honored.

Bob Miller's first time outside of the Minneapolis Veterans Affairs Hospital in three months brought him to the Vikings Museum.

Miller, who is recovering from a stroke, visited the museum with his wife, Darlene, and daughter, Kristina Vollmer.

"It's been very special to spend time with my dad and mom together, because we've all been visiting separately," Vollmer said. "Being together as a family and doing an outing is really nice."

Miller served three years as a PFC in the U.S. Army. He was joined on Monday by

several other U.S. Military veterans, who were hosted at the Vikings Museum in recognition of Veterans Day. The men and women were thanked for their service by Vikings Legends Mike Harris (2014-16) and Gene Washington (1967-72), whom many of the guests grew up watching.

Miller recalled attending Vikings games at Metropolitan Stadium.

"My dad used to take me there, and we had to wear snowmobile suits," said Miller, cracking a smile on an especially cold November day in Minnesota.





SALUTE TO SERVICE NOMINEE

Vikings Director of Security Kim Klawiter is this year's nominee for the league-wide Salute to Service Award.

The former Army Master Sgt. is in his 14th season with the Vikings, an organization he's followed since its inception in 1961 when he was growing up in White Bear Lake.

By the end of the decade, Klawiter was on his way to Vietnam, a 20-year old in the Army who progressed from basic training to advanced infantry training at Fort Polk, Louisiana, to leadership training at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Klawiter was assigned to Cu Chi, Vietnam, an area northwest of Saigon known for a tunnel system that posed hidden hazards.

"We had a lot of issues with people popping out of trap holes and ambushing us, so we had to be extra careful," Klawiter recalled.

May 9, 1969, presented Company D, 1st Battalion, 27th Infantry with heavy fire from machine guns. Klawiter responded and was awarded a Bronze Star medal for heroism.

In addition to the Bronze Star, Klawiter received multiple other awards that included a Purple Heart, an air medal for 25 or more combat assaults by helicopter, an Army commendation medal and Vietnam campaign and service medals.



UNITED HEROES LEAGUE

A quartet of Vikings players brought smiles and an afternoon of fun to military families Tuesday afternoon at Camp Ripley, the military and training facility operated by the Minnesota National Guard.

Long snapper Austin Cutting, running back Alexander Mattison and linebackers Ben Gedeon and Cameron Smith partnered with the United Heroes League as approximately 50 young people participated in football drills and interacted with players the day after Veterans Day.

Cutting graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy this spring and is fulfilling his commitment during his rookie season, and Gedeon's brother is currently serving in the Navy. Mattison's father and two grandfathers served in the Air Force.

The United Heroes League is today's nonprofit partner of the game. The United Heroes League provides sports equipment and covers fees for camps and youth-league sports, as well as coordinates special experiences, for children in military families.



POLARIS & VIKINGS HELP WOUNDED WARRIOR PROJECT

POLARIS

When U.S. military veterans Brian Bergson and Jake Schmidt were invited by Wounded Warrior Project for a day of ATV trail-riding through Polaris Adventures in Northern Minnesota, they jumped at the opportunity.

But little did they know, that wasn't all that was in store.

Bergson and Schmidt were surprised one morning this fall when another ATV came around the corner driven by Vikings tight end Tyler Conklin and Cutting. The two veterans were thanked for their service and gifted with Vikings and Polaris swag bags as well as tickets in the Polaris Club for today's game against the Broncos, where they will be recognized on the field.

"It's quite an honor to be able to come out and have some fun and kind of forget about my troubles and just have a really great time with some brothers," Bergson said. "It was an incredible day."

Cutting and Conklin, who has a close friend serving in the Air Force, enjoyed the chance to show gratitude to Bergson and Schmidt.

"Going through the Air Force Academy teaches you a lot about character and discipline, and being able to follow in the footsteps of those that came before you," Cutting said. "It's an honor to come out here and honor them for what they've done."



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IN THE NFL

Numerous players from Minnesota-based franchises – Minneapolis Marines, Duluth Kelleys, Duluth Eskimos and Minneapolis Red Jackets – in the NFL's first decade were veterans of World War I.

The National Football League began as the American Pro Football Association in 1920 and renamed itself in 1922, just four years after World War I concluded.

Join us in thanking these contributors to early football and other veterans for their service.

BY CRAIG PETERS

Sources: Information pulled from Pro-Football-Reference.com, newspapers.com and other sources.

E. CHARLIE JONASEN

Aug. 29, 1889-March 9, 1989

Played: 1921 Marines

After football: Member of Minneapolis Fire Department from 1928-57

PAUL "SHORTY" DES JARDIEN

Aug. 24, 1893 - March 7, 1956

Played: 1920 Chicago Tigers, 1922 Marines

Hall pass: Listed at 6-foot-5 and 190 pounds, the nickname was in jest, but Des Jardien's ability landed him in the College Football Hall of Fame in 1955.

While serving: Placed in charge of German prison camp in Paris in 1918

ARNIE "PUDDGE" WYMAN

Aug. 20, 1895 - March 4, 1961

Played: 1920 Rock Island Independents

Was 5-foot-11 and 172 pounds

Military timeline: Enlisted in Army at Fort Snelling in 1917; Commissioned as a Lt.; 5th Field Artillery; Promoted to Capt. before the 1918 Armistice

Historic TDs: The Minneapolis native scored three touchdowns in his first game (two blocked punts and an 86-yard kickoff return).

BOB FOSDICK

Nov. 11, 1894 - Jan. 30, 1990

Played: 1923 Marines

After football: Fosdick, who served in France, and his son later owned a real estate company for nearly 30 years.

JOE BRANDY, SR.

Nov. 6, 1897 - July 20, 1971

Coached: 1924 Marines

Success after serving: The former Army Lt. became the head coach and taught math at St. Thomas (1921-25), winning three state college titles. He returned to his hometown (Ogdensburg, New York), where he led a newspaper and founded WSLB radio station.

TOM HOGAN

Feb. 24, 1895 - April 4, 1937

Played: 1924 Marines, 1925 Detroit Panthers, 1926 Chicago Cardinals

Gone too soon: Hogan enlisted with the Spanish Foreign Legion and later became a welfare investigator at Detroit Receiving Hospital but suffered a fatal heart attack at age 42.

KEN HARRIS

June 26, 1894 - September 1965

Played: 1923 Kelleys

Historic toss: Harris threw the first touchdown pass in team history, a 15-yarder to Joe Rooney.

LEIF STRAND

Jan. 6, 1899 - April 26, 1968

Played: 1924 Kelleys

Off the grid: Strand served in the American Expeditionary Force in France; he later graduated with a degree in dentistry and was president of the University of Minnesota's Alumni Association in 1957.

FRITZ HEINISCH

June 22, 1900 - Dec. 22, 1983

Played: 1922-23 Racine Legion, 1924 Kenosha Maroons, 1926 Eskimos and Racine Tornados

Post route: Heinisch was Commander of American Legion Post 76 from 1934-35.

HAL ERICKSON

March 10, 1899 - Jan. 28, 1963

Played: 1923-24 Milwaukee Badgers, 1925-28 Chicago Cardinals, 1929-30 Red Jackets
Coached: 1924 Milwaukee Badgers

Two Roses: A pharmacist's mate during the war, Erickson was part of the Great Lakes Naval Training Station team that beat the Mare Island Marines in the Rose Bowl on Jan. 1, 1919. He later played in the game again for Washington & Jefferson, which had a scoreless tie against California on Jan. 2, 1922.

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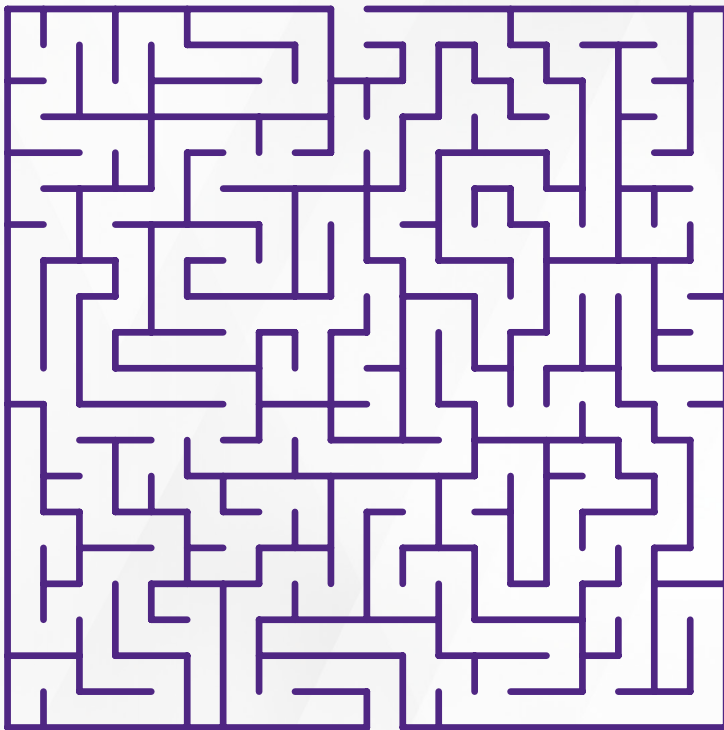


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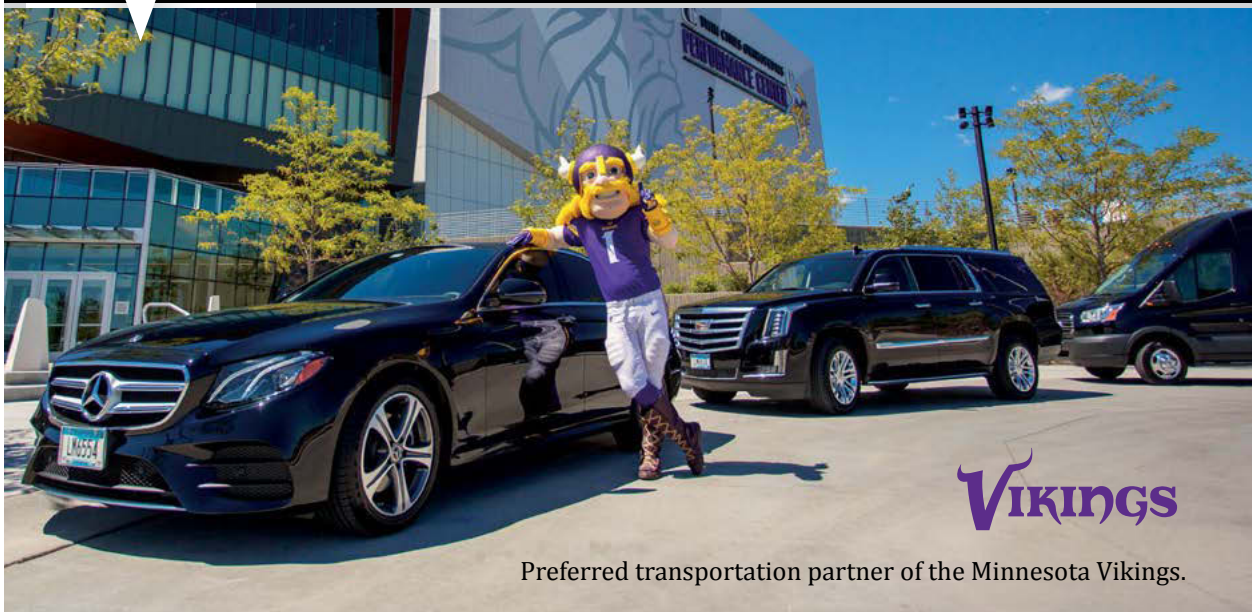
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Vikings Table served Little Earth Boys & Girls Clubs members before opening it up to the community. A total of 150 meals were provided at that distribution.

Little Earth is a 9.4 acre, 212-unit housing complex west of Hiawatha Avenue in Minneapolis. Founded in 1973, Little Earth is the only American Indian preference project-based Section 8 rental assistance community in the United States.

Vikings Table also distributed 200 meals to the Division of Indian Work's youth leadership group and people in the community. The Division of Indian Work empowers urban American Indians through culturally based education, counseling, advocacy and leadership development.

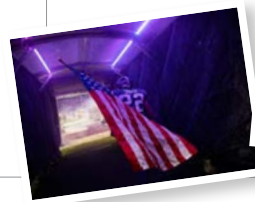
The Minnesota Vikings Foundation launched Vikings Table this summer. The food truck has sold meals to raise funds for free distributions.

Visit Vikings.com/vikingstable for more.



GAME-DAY AUCTIONS

The Minnesota Vikings Foundation will be auctioning several signed photos as part of today's Salute to Service initiative. Check out the display on the main concourse near Section 101 and use bidpal.net/vikings2019 to bid from your seats.



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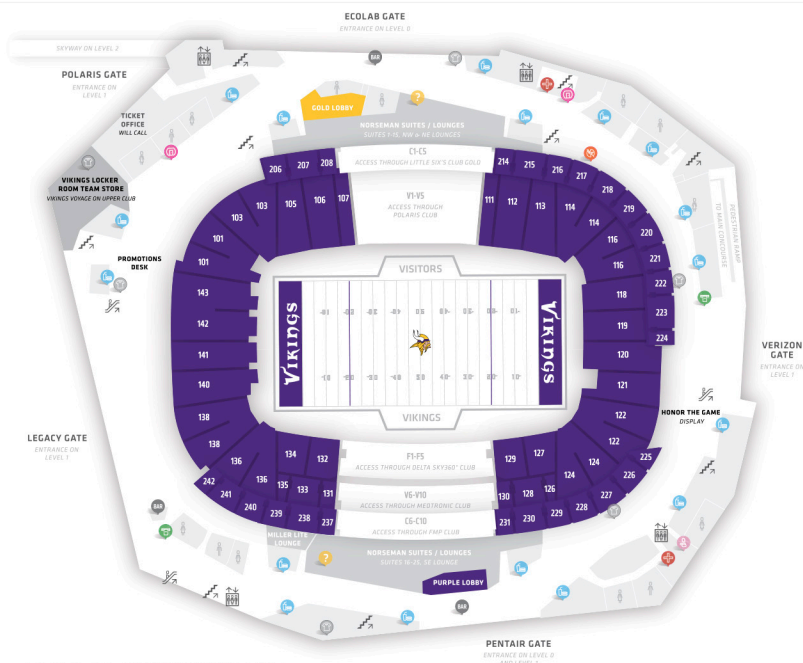
"I feel like the Guest Experience employees should always go the extra mile to make the fans happy and enjoy their experiences at the stadium," Stephanie said about why she loves to deliver SKOL Service to fans.

When she is not working, Stephanie is either at church or spending time with family

and friends. A big chunk of her off-time goes toward working with her Sunday school class, where her love for helping people and the opportunity to be a positive influence is showcased.

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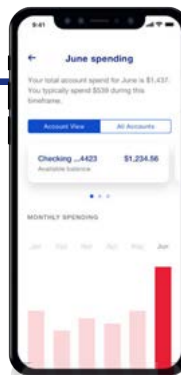
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