



## POSTGAME NOTES

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### Houston Texans (4-5) at Cincinnati Bengals (8-1)

Monday, Nov. 16, 2015 • 7:30 p.m. CT • Paul Brown Stadium (65,515) • Cincinnati, Ohio



|                    | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | T  | ATTENDANCE |
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| Houston Texans     | 0 | 3 | 0 | 7 | 10 | 61,381     |
| Cincinnati Bengals | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6  |            |

### TEXANS TEAM NOTES

#### MISCELLANEOUS NOTES

- The following players were inactive for the game: G **Oday Aboushi**, OLB **Jadeveon Clowney**, TE **Garrett Graham**, CB **Kareem Jackson**, S **Rahim Moore**, DE **Jeffrey Pagan** and WR **Jaelen Strong**
- The following players were active but did not play in the game: OLB **Kourtnei Brown** and T **Chris Clark**
- The following players were captains for the game: T **Duane Brown**, P **Shane Lechler** and DE **J.J. Watt**
- Houston won the toss and deferred. Cincinnati elected to receive to start the game

#### THE TEXANS...

- Improved to 4-5 in 2015 and 13-12 under Head Coach **Bill O'Brien** (2014-15)
- Improved to 4-4 overall and 3-2 on the road in the all-time series with the Bengals
- Did not allow a touchdown in their second straight game and extended their streak of consecutive quarters without allowing a touchdown to 10, which is the second-longest streak in team history. The streak dates back to the third quarter of the team's Week 7 contest at Miami (10/25)
- Held the Bengals to six points, 256 net yards (183 passing, 73 rushing), 4-of-14 (29%) on third down and 0-of-1 in the red zone for the game
- Limited Cincinnati to 94 net yards (65 passing, 29 rushing), five first downs and 1-of-6 (17%) on third down in the second half

### TEXANS INDIVIDUAL PLAYER NOTES

#### T DUANE BROWN

- Passed Chris Myers (112) for the third-most career games started in team history
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#### NT CHRISTIAN COVINGTON

- Registered his first career sack when he brought down Bengals QB Andy Dalton for a 6-yard loss in the third quarter

#### S QUINTIN DEMPS

- Tied for third on the team with six tackles (two solo) and added a forced fumble and fumble recovery
- Forced and recovered a fumble on Bengals WR A.J. Green on Cincinnati's final offensive play of the game in the fourth quarter to seal the win for the Texans

#### TE C.J. FIEDOROWICZ

- Recorded a career-long 25-yard reception in the second quarter
- Finished with two catches for 30 yards

#### TE RYAN GRIFFIN

- Played and started his first game since the season opener and caught three passes for 36 yards, which was the team's second-highest total

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## TEXANS INDIVIDUAL PLAYER NOTES

### WR DeANDRE HOPKINS

- Caught five passes for 57 yards and a touchdown
- Set a single-season career-high in touchdown receptions (seven), surpassing his previous high of six in 2014
- Passed Arian Foster (14) for the fifth-most career receiving touchdowns in Texans history
- Extended his streak of consecutive regular season games started to 41, which ranks second among all active NFL wide receivers
- Caught a pass in his 41st straight career game

### QB BRIAN HOYER

- Completed 12-of-22 passes for 123 yards, one interception and a 51.9 passer rating before exiting the game in the third quarter with a concussion
- Registered a 15-yard run in the second quarter, his longest since a 20-yard run as a rookie in 2009 with New England

### CB CHARLES JAMES

- Finished with a career-high six tackles (four solo), including one for loss, and one special teams stop
- Notched his first career tackle for loss when he brought down Bengals RB Jeremy Hill for a 3-yard loss in the second quarter

### C BEN JONES

- Extended his streak of consecutive games played to 57, which is the second-longest active streak among NFL centers

### CB JOHNATHAN JOSEPH

- Contributed with four solo tackles, two passes defended and one interception
- Passed Dunta Robinson (63) for the most career passes defended in franchise history
- Including postseason, he has intercepted a pass in each of his last four games against the Bengals
- Passed Marcus Coleman and Aaron Glenn (11) for sole possession of the second-most career interceptions in team history

### P SHANE LECHLER

- Punted eight times for 374 yards (46.8 avg., 38.9 net), pinning three inside the 20-yard line
- Notched a 64-yard punt in the first quarter, a season-long for the Texans
- Passed Blair Bush, Fran Tarkenton and Jeff Van Note (246) for the 41st-most career games played in NFL history
- Extended his streak of consecutive games played to 214, which leads all active NFL players

### ILB BENARDRICK MCKINNEY

- Played and started in his first game since Week 6 at Jacksonville (10/18)
- Led the team with a career-high nine tackles (six solo), including one for loss

### OLB WHITNEY MERCILUS

- Finished with five tackles, including three for loss
- The three tackles for loss are the second-most he's recorded in a game in his career
- Has tallied seven tackles for loss in the last two games

### WR KEITH MUMPHERY

- Totaled 10 punt return yards and 64 kickoff return yards, bringing his career total to 432 combined return yards
- Passed Jacoby Jones (364) for the fourth-most combined (punt and kickoff) return yards by a rookie in Texans history

### K NICK NOVAK

- Made a 22-yard field goal in the second quarter to tie the game at three
- Finished with four points for the game

### OLB JOHN SIMON

- Notched three solo tackles and a sack, bringing his total to 3.0 for the season and 4.5 for his career

### WR NATE WASHINGTON

- Started in his 100th career game and caught two passes for 32 yards

### DE J.J. WATT

- Passed Derrick Thomas (66.0) for the second-most career sacks in a player's first five seasons in NFL history
- Finished with two solo tackles, two quarterback hits and 1.0 sack for a loss of eight yards
- Increased his sack total to 9.5 for the year and 66.5 for his career
- Extended his streak of consecutive regular season games started to 73, which ranks third among active NFL defensive ends

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### QB T.J. YATES

- Entered the game in the third quarter for QB **Brian Hoyer** and completed 5-of-11 passes for 69 yards, one touchdown and a 96.4 passer rating
- Threw the game-winning 22-yard touchdown pass to WR **DeAndre Hopkins** in the fourth quarter to give the Texans a 10-6 win
- The touchdown pass was his first since throwing one against the Bengals in an AFC Wild Card victory on Jan. 7, 2012