

1985 AFC WILD CARD PLAYOFF GAME DECEMBER 28, 1985
PATRIOTS 26, JETS 14

New England Patriots	3	10	10	3	-	26
New York Jets	0	7	7	0	-	14



at



New England came out on top 26-14 in a game that saw the Jets self-destruct, committing 4 costly turnovers which led to 17 Patriots points. New England, which went on to win the AFC Championship, played an almost flawless game with no turnovers and only one penalty. The Jets were ahead 7-6, and driving late in the 2nd quarter when Ken O'Brien was intercepted on the 7-yard line. Six plays later, New England came back with a TD pass from Tony Eason, who avoided a blitz and hit Stanley Morgan. O'Brien suffered a concussion on the final play of the half on an Andre Tippett sack and would only play the first series of the 2nd half.



Johnny Hector

Before Pat Ryan could relieve him though, New England added a FG and then scored a TD when the ensuing kickoff was fumbled by Johnny Hector and returned 15 yards by Johnny Rembert. With the Jets trailing 23-7, Ryan came in and directed a TD drive.

STARTING LINEUPS

Jets Offense

WR	Toon
LT	McElroy
LG	Sweeney
C	Fields
RG	Alexander
RT	Powell
TE	Shuler
WR	Walker
QB	O'Brien
RB	McNeil
TE	Klever

Patriots Defense

LE	Veris
NT	Williams
RE	Adams
LOLB	Tippett
LILB	Nelson
RILB	McGrew
ROLB	Blackmon
CB	Lippett
CB	Clayborn
S	James
S	Marion

Jets Defense

LE	Gastineau
DT	Klecko
DT	Bennett
RE	Lyons
OLB	Clifton
MLB	Mehl
OLB	Crable
CB	Lynn
CB	Carter
S	Springs
S	Hamilton

Patriots Offense

WR	Morgan
LT	Holloway
LG	Hannah
C	Brock
RG	Wooten
RT	Moore
TE	Dawson
WR	Fryar
QB	Eason
RB	Collins
FB	James

TEAM STATISTICS

	Jets	Patriots
First Downs	15	12
Rushes-Yards	21-58	39-99
Passing Yards	182	159
Pass Att-Comp-INT	34-23-2	16-12-0
Times Sacked-Yards Lost	5-51	3-20
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-0
Penalties-Yds. Lost	6-48	1-10
Time of Possession	28:13	31:47

SCORING

Team	Play	Score
Patriots	Franklin 33 yd. Field Goal	3-0
Jets	Hector 11 yd pass from O'Brien (Leahy kick)	3-7
Patriots	Franklin 41 yd. Field Goal	6-7
Patriots	Morgan 36 yd. pass sfrom Eason (Franklin kick)	13-7
Patriots	Franklin 20 yd. Field Goal	16-7
Patriots	Rembert 15 yd. fumble return (Franklin kick)	23-7
Jets	Shuler 12 yd. pass from Ryan (Leahy kick)	23-14
Patriots	Franklin 26 yd. Field Goal	26-14

PASSING

Jets	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD-I	Patriots	Att	Cmp	Yds	TD-I
O'Brien	17	13	149	1-1	Eason	16	12	179	1-0
Ryan	17	10	84	1-1					
Totals	34	23	233	2-2	Totals	16	12	179	1-0

RUSHING

Jets	Att	Yds	TD	Patriots	Att	Yds	TD
F. McNeil	16	41	0	C. James	22	49	0
J. Hector	4	13	0	T. Collins	11	36	0
K. O'Brien	1	4	0	T. Eason	6	14	0
Totals	21	58	0	Totals	39	99	0

RECEIVING

Jets	Rec	Yds	TD	Patriots	Rec	Yds	TD
A. Toon	9	93	0	S. Morgan	4	62	1
M. Shuler	5	53	1	I. Fryer	2	47	0
W. Walker	4	54	0	C. James	2	36	0
F. McNeil	3	13	0	L. Dawson	2	20	0
J. Hector	1	11	1	T. Collins	2	14	0
R. Kleever	1	9	0				
Totals	23	233	2	Totals	12	179	1

DEFENSIVE STATISTICS

Jets: INT: None. **Sacks:** Cruble 1-7, Baldwin 1-5, Gastineau 1-8.
Patriots: INT: Marion 1-26, Veris 1-18. **Sacks:** Veris 3-35, Tippett 1-9, Blackmon 1-7.

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