



# Review of Eagles' 1979 Season

## EAGLES 23, NEW YORK GIANTS 17

September 2 at Veterans Stadium

The Eagles did all their scoring in the second period and the 23-point outburst was enough to defeat the Giants for the 8th consecutive time since 1975. Ron Jaworski's pinpoint passing set up a Billy Campfield one-yard scoring run for the Birds' first touchdown of the season after New York had taken a 3-0 first period lead. Jaworski hit Harold Carmichael with 7 and 41-yard scoring strikes after Campfield's run and rookie Tony Franklin ended the Birds' scoring with a 46-yard field goal. Because the game was not sold out 72 hours before kickoff, it was not televised locally.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|                 |   |    |   |      |
|-----------------|---|----|---|------|
| New York Giants | 3 | 0  | 7 | 7-17 |
| Eagles          | 0 | 23 | 0 | 0-23 |

### SCORING

New York—Field goal Danelo 27.  
Eagles—Campfield 1 run (Franklin kick).  
Eagles—Carmichael 7 pass from Jaworski (kick failed).  
Eagles—Carmichael 41 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 46.  
New York—Perkins 15 pass from Pisarcik (Danelo kick).  
New York—Perkins 38 pass from Pisarcik (Danelo kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | New York | Eagles  |
|-----------------|----------|---------|
| First downs     | 18       | 16      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 26-63    | 34-154  |
| Passing yards   | 222      | 161     |
| Return yards    | 65       | 203     |
| Passes          | 20-40-2  | 12-21-0 |
| Punts           | 6-43.5   | 7-29.7  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 1-0      | 5-2     |
| Penalties-Yards | 6-37     | 6-38    |

Attendance—67,366.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

New York—Johnson 9-34, Kotar 10-19, Pisarcik 1-6, Moorehead 6-4.  
Eagles—Montgomery 17-90, Barnes 8-47, Campfield 5-23, Jaworski 3-minus 5, Carr 1-minus 1.

#### Passing

New York—Pisarcik 20-40-2—274.  
Eagles—Jaworski 12-21-0—186.

#### Receiving

New York—Johnson 6-43, Gray 3-83, Perkins 3-59, Robinson 3-28, Kotar 2-7, Taylor 1-43, Dixon 1-11, Moorehead 1-0.  
Eagles—Carmichael 4-98, Krepfle 3-57, Smith 2-16, Montgomery 2-13, Carr 1-2.

## ATLANTA 14, EAGLES 10

September 10 at Veterans Stadium

In a replay of the previous season's NFC wildcard playoff game, the Falcons scored the only touchdown of the second half and held on for the victory in a Monday night game nationally televised by ABC. The Eagles were hampered by a ground game that gained only 57 yards on 28 carries. Harold Carmichael did his best to pick up the slack, enjoying the second best single game performance of his career with nine pass receptions for 127 yards. The purchase of approximately 1,200 unsold tickets by the Pep Boys auto supply chain assured that the game would be televised in the Delaware Valley.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|         |   |   |   |      |
|---------|---|---|---|------|
| Atlanta | 0 | 7 | 0 | 7-14 |
| Eagles  | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0-10 |

### SCORING

Eagles—Field goal Franklin 35.  
Atlanta—Bartkowski 1 run (Mazzetti kick).  
Eagles—Jaworski 3 run (Franklin kick).  
Atlanta—Francis 13 pass from Bartkowski (Mazzetti kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Atlanta | Eagles  |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| First downs     | 14      | 16      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 33-145  | 28-57   |
| Passing yards   | 102     | 184     |
| Return yards    | 85      | 99      |
| Passes          | 10-16-1 | 16-37-2 |
| Punts           | 5-47.0  | 5-34.6  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 1-1     | 2-0     |
| Penalties-Yards | 2-41    | 6-46    |

Attendance—66,935.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Atlanta—Andrews 24-121, Bean 8-23, Bartkowski 1-1.  
Eagles—Montgomery 15-43, Barnes 6-7, Jaworski 2-7, Harris 4-0, Carmichael 1-0.

#### Passing

Atlanta—Bartkowski 10-16-1—123  
Eagles—Jaworski 16-37-2—213.

#### Receiving

Atlanta—Francis 3-44, Pearson 2-47, Jenkins 2-21, Bean 2-8, Andrews 1-3.  
Eagles—Carmichael 9-127, Smith 4-59, Fitzkee 1-12, Spagnola 1-10, Krepfle 1-5.

## EAGLES 26, NEW ORLEANS 14

September 16 at the Superdome

The defense, playing most of the game without Bill Bergey, was overwhelming and the offense was just as impressive as the Birds upped their record in the Superdome to 2-0. End Carl Hairston was the key defensive player for the Birds, who limited New Orleans to just 75 yards rushing and sacked quarterback Archie Manning three times after he had been dumped only once in the season's first two games. Wilbert Montgomery enjoyed a 95-yard rushing game and scored a TD on a 26-yard pass from Ron Jaworski. Bergey's early game left knee injury required surgery the next day and he was lost for the remainder of the season.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|             |   |    |   |       |
|-------------|---|----|---|-------|
| Eagles      | 3 | 10 | 3 | 10-26 |
| New Orleans | 0 | 7  | 0 | 7-14  |

### SCORING

Eagles—Field goal Franklin 24.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 26 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 36.  
 New Orleans—Chandler 52 pass from Manning (Yeapremian kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 19.  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 44.  
 Eagles—Campfield 15 run (Franklin kick).  
 New Orleans—Muncie 1 run (Yeapremian kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | New Orleans | Eagles  |
|-----------------|-------------|---------|
| First downs     | 12          | 18      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 21-75       | 43-199  |
| Passing yards   | 160         | 162     |
| Return yards    | 150         | 125     |
| Passes          | 15-25-2     | 12-23-0 |
| Punts           | 7-32.1      | 3-34.7  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 0-0         | 1-0     |
| Penalties-Yards | 5-40        | 9-66    |

Attendance—54,212.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Montgomery 20-95, Barnes 4-11, Jaworski 3-31, Harris 11-31, Campfield 2-16, Giammona 3-15.  
 New Orleans—Muncie 9-8, Galbreath 11-52, Manning 1-15.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 12-23-0—181.  
 New Orleans—Manning 15-25-2—189.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Krepfle 3-42, Montgomery 3-40, Smith 2-54, Carmichael 2-16, Harris 1-15, Fitzkee 1-14.  
 New Orleans—Chandler 4-92, Muncie 4-21, Childs 3-35, Galbreath 2-27, Wilson 1-8, Harris 1-6.

## EAGLES 17, NEW YORK GIANTS 13

September 23 at Giants Stadium

The Eagles extended their win streak over the Giants to nine games with a 17-13 victory that had its share of drama at the end. The Birds had a 17-6 lead early in the 4th period on a Tony Franklin field goal and two Ron Jaworski scoring passes but the Giants made it interesting when they cut the deficit to four points and had possession at the Eagles' 39-yard line with two minutes left in the game. Safety John Sciarra saved the Birds, however, with an interception at his own 8 and return to the 21. Wilbert Montgomery enjoyed his first 100-yard rushing game of the season and also scored on a 53-yard pass reception.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|                 |   |   |   |      |
|-----------------|---|---|---|------|
| Eagles          | 7 | 7 | 3 | 0-17 |
| New York Giants | 3 | 3 | 0 | 7-13 |

### SCORING

New York—Field goal Danelo 22.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 53 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 New York—Field goal Danelo 42.  
 Eagles—Krepfle 11 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 28.  
 New York—Dean 6 run (Danelo kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | New York | Eagles  |
|-----------------|----------|---------|
| First downs     | 14       | 19      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 32-146   | 44-187  |
| Passing yards   | 83       | 139     |
| Return yards    | 93       | 125     |
| Passes          | 10-22-2  | 11-19-1 |
| Punts           | 6-40.8   | 4-36.0  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 0-0      | 2-2     |
| Penalties-Yards | 7-45     | 7-53    |

Attendance—74,265.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Montgomery 29-126, Harris 6-41, Jaworski 5-0, Campfield 4-20.  
 New York—Kotar 17-63, Moorehead 6-18, Dean 8-56, Gray 1-9.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 11-19-1—156.  
 New York—Dean 10-22-2—90.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Carmichael 4-29, Montgomery 2-49, Harris 1-1, Smith 1-21, Krepfle 3-56.  
 New York—Moorehead 3-23, Kotar 5-40, Gray 1-18, Shirk 1-9.

## EAGLES 17, PITTSBURGH 14

September 30 at Veterans Stadium

The defending (and eventual) Super Bowl champions absorbed a 17-14 loss and the Eagles upped their record to 4-1 before a record Veterans Stadium crowd of 70,352. The teams battled to a 7-7 halftime standoff before Tony Franklin put the Birds ahead to stay with a 48-yard field goal in the third period. Wilbert Montgomery, who had 98 yards rushing against the Steel Curtain, increased the Philadelphia lead to 17-7 later in that stanza with a one-yard run set up by John Bunting's 13-yard return of a Terry Bradshaw interception to the Pittsburgh 2. Herman Edwards had intercepted an earlier Bradshaw pass in the Eagles' end zone and Ken Clarke recovered a Franco Harris fourth period fumble on the Eagles' 1.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|            |   |   |    |      |
|------------|---|---|----|------|
| Pittsburgh | 0 | 7 | 0  | 7-14 |
| Eagles     | 0 | 7 | 10 | 0-17 |

### SCORING

Pittsburgh—Thornton 7 run (Bahr kick).  
 Eagles—L. Harris 1 run (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 48.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 1 run (Franklin kick).  
 Pittsburgh—Stallworth 37 pass from Bradshaw (Bahr kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Pittsburgh | Eagles  |
|-----------------|------------|---------|
| First downs     | 19         | 18      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 29-139     | 44-135  |
| Passing yards   | 169        | 148     |
| Return yards    | 102        | 51      |
| Passes          | 12-26-2    | 11-20-2 |
| Punts           | 4-41.0     | 5-45.0  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 2-2        | 3-0     |
| Penalties-Yards | 6-37       | 10-75   |
| Attendance      | 70,352.    |         |

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Pittsburgh—Thornton 16-88, F. Harris 11-44, Hawthorne 1-6, Bleier 1-1.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 28-98, Harris 12-30, Jaworski 3-9, Campfield 1-minus 2.

#### Passing

Pittsburgh—Bradshaw 12-26-2—176.  
 Eagles—Jaworski 11-20-2—158.

#### Receiving

Pittsburgh—Stallworth 5-102, Bell 2-30, Bleier 2-16, Grossman 2-9, Cunningham 1-19.  
 Eagles—Krepfle 4-95, L. Harris 3-minus 2, Fitzkee 2-32, Carmichael 1-18, Montgomery 1-15.

## EAGLES 28, WASHINGTON 17

October 7 at Veterans Stadium

Taking advantage of a switch in home playing dates necessitated by the visit of Pope John Paul II to Washington on this date, the Eagles rolled a 5-1 record with a solid victory over the surprising 'Skins. Wilbert Montgomery rushed for 127 yards and scored four touchdowns, the second time he had accomplished that feat against Washington in as many seasons. No other Eagle has ever scored four times in a game twice in a career. The offensive line's run blocking was so efficient that Ron Jaworski attempted only 12 passes, completing 8 for 143 yards and an 11-yard score to Montgomery. Rookie free safety Brenard Wilson picked off a Joe Theismann pass for his third interception of the season.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|            |   |   |    |       |
|------------|---|---|----|-------|
| Washington | 0 | 7 | 0  | 10-17 |
| Eagles     | 7 | 7 | 14 | 0-28  |

### SCORING

Eagles—Montgomery 8 run (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Montgomery 11 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Washington—Riggins 4 pass from Theismann (Moseley kick).  
 Eagles—Montgomery 5 run (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Montgomery 4 run (Franklin kick).  
 Washington—Field goal Moseley 37.  
 Washington—Riggins 1 run (Moseley kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Washington | Eagles |
|-----------------|------------|--------|
| First downs     | 22         | 22     |
| Rushes-Yards    | 38-161     | 39-209 |
| Passing yards   | 157        | 143    |
| Return yards    | 79         | 66     |
| Passes          | 19-32-1    | 8-12-0 |
| Punts           | 3-41.7     | 4-44.5 |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 0-0        | 0-0    |
| Penalties-Yards | 4-35       | 2-15   |
| Attendance      | 69,142.    |        |

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Washington—Riggins 23-115, Malone 9-21, Hardeman 3-13, Theismann 3-12.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 22-127, Harris 12-61, Campfield 2-12, Jaworski 2-6, Giammona 1-3.

#### Passing

Washington—Theismann 19-32-1—165.  
 Eagles—Jaworski 8-12-0—143.

#### Receiving

Washington—McDaniel 4-35, Riggins 4-9, Harmon 3-37, Buggs 3-32, Hardeman 3-24, Warren 1-12, Fugett 1-16.  
 Eagles—Krepfle 3-79, Carmichael 2-55, Montgomery 1-11, Smith 1-minus 1, Harris 1-minus 1.

## EAGLES 24, ST. LOUIS 20

October 14 at Busch Memorial Stadium

The Eagles scored their 5th straight victory and won in St. Louis for the second consecutive year as Wilbert Montgomery outrushed eventual rookie of the year Ottis Anderson, 117 yards to 73. The smallest Eagle, Wally Henry, played the major role in the Eagles' huge 249 to 94 advantage in return yardage. "Every time we needed a big return Wally gave it to us," said Dick Vermeil. With the Eagles trailing, 20-17 more than midway through the last period, Henry returned a St. Louis punt 34 yards to the Cardinals' 33-yard line and five plays later, Billy Campfield scampered 11 yards around right end for the winning touchdown.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|           |   |   |    |      |
|-----------|---|---|----|------|
| Eagles    | 0 | 7 | 10 | 7-24 |
| St. Louis | 3 | 3 | 7  | 7-20 |

### SCORING

St. Louis—Field goal Little 27.  
 St. Louis—Field goal Little 28.  
 Eagles—Carmichael 3 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 St. Louis—Gray 78 pass from Pisarkiewicz (Little kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 51.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 5 run (Franklin kick).  
 St. Louis—Anderson 1 run (Little kick).  
 Eagles—Campfield 11 run (Franklin kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | St. Louis | Eagles  |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| First downs     | 17        | 19      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 37-131    | 39-139  |
| Passing yards   | 191       | 123     |
| Return yards    | 94        | 249     |
| Passes          | 14-26-2   | 14-23-2 |
| Punts           | 3-45.0    | 2-33.0  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 2-1       | 2-2     |
| Penalties-Yards | 7-65      | 3-16    |

Attendance—48,367.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Montgomery 25-117, Harris 6-14, Campfield 2-13, Walton 1-2, Jaworski 5-minus 7.  
 St. Louis—Anderson 21-73, Morris 8-25, Brown 4-12, Harrell 1-4, Pisarkiewicz 3-17.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 11-17-1—95, Walton 3-6-1—28.  
 St. Louis—Hart 3-4-0—32, Pisarkiewicz 11-22-2—159.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Montgomery 4-32, Carmichael 3-35, Krepfle 2-14, Harris 3-18, Smith 1-19, Campfield 1-5.  
 St. Louis—Brown 3-22, Tilley 4-62, Anderson 2-9, Parris 2-9, Morris 2-11, Gray 1-78.

## WASHINGTON 17, EAGLES 7

October 21 at R.F.K. Stadium

The Washington pass rush was ferocious and their running game was just as potent as the 'Skins avenged their loss of two weeks earlier with a one-sided win of their own. Fullback John Riggins powered for 120 of Washington's 211 rushing yards while the Redskin defense was sacking Ron Jaworski seven times and limiting the Eagles' ground game to 61 yards on 16 carries. Harold Carmichael went deep into the final period before catching his only pass of the game, a 26-yarder that kept his string of consecutive games with at least one pass reception alive at 104, one short of the all-time NFL record. Free safety Brenard Wilson picked off the 4th pass of his rookie season.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|            |   |   |   |      |
|------------|---|---|---|------|
| Eagles     | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7-7  |
| Washington | 0 | 7 | 7 | 3-17 |

### SCORING

Washington—Malone 10 run (Moseley kick).  
 Washington—Theismann 1 run (Moseley kick).  
 Washington—Field goal Moseley 23.  
 Eagles—Krepfle 40 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Washington | Eagles  |
|-----------------|------------|---------|
| First downs     | 20         | 12      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 49-211     | 16-61   |
| Passing yards   | 116        | 139     |
| Return yards    | 85         | 110     |
| Passes          | 15-24-2    | 12-27-2 |
| Punts           | 5-44.0     | 6-43.8  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 2-1        | 5-2     |
| Penalties-Yards | 6-41       | 3-25    |

Attendance—54,442.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Montgomery 11-33, Harris 2-6, Jaworski 3-22.  
 Washington—Riggins 19-120, Malone 12-25, Harmon 4-14, Hardeman 1-5, Theismann 3-8, Forte 10-39.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 12-27-2—195.  
 Washington—Theismann 15-24-2—136.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Montgomery 2-16, Carmichael 1-26, Krepfle 4-81, Smith 4-68, Harris 1-4.  
 Washington—Riggins 1-2, Buggs 3-18, Thompson 1-22, Warren 1-9, Hardeman 2-21, Harmon 3-33, Malone 1-6, McDaniel 3-25.

## CINCINNATI 37, EAGLES 13

October 28 at Riverfront Stadium

The Birds reached the low point of their regular season play when they turned the ball over four times inside their own 30-yard line and the host Bengals turned three of the miscues into touchdowns and another into a field goal on the way to their 24-point victory. One of the few bright spots for the Eagles was their five sacks of Cincinnati quarterback Ken Anderson, giving the team 25 for the season. End Carl Hairston recorded one of the sacks to give him a total of 11, a new club record. Backup quarterback Johnnie Walton threw the first touchdown pass of his career, an 8-yarder to Harold Carmichael late in the game to account for the final score.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|            |    |   |    |      |
|------------|----|---|----|------|
| Eagles     | 3  | 0 | 3  | 7-13 |
| Cincinnati | 17 | 7 | 10 | 3-37 |

### SCORING

Cincinnati—Johnson 15 pass from Anderson (Bahr kick).  
Cincinnati—Field goal Bahr 24.  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 50.  
Cincinnati—Griffin 4 pass from Anderson (Bahr kick).  
Cincinnati—Anderson 6 run (Bahr kick).  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 39.  
Cincinnati—Field goal Bahr 24.  
Cincinnati—Johnson 1 run (Bahr kick).  
Cincinnati—Field goal Bahr 43.  
Eagles—Carmichael 8 pass from Walton (Franklin kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Cincinnati | Eagles  |
|-----------------|------------|---------|
| First downs     | 17         | 17      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 37-198     | 24-73   |
| Passing yards   | 92         | 117     |
| Return yards    | 96         | 171     |
| Passes          | 12-21-0    | 19-34-1 |
| Punts           | 5-38.2     | 4-38.5  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 0-0        | 4-3     |
| Penalties-Yards | 7-55       | 6-45    |

Attendance—42,056.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Harris 7-34, Montgomery 13-25, Jaworski 2-12, Campfield 1-4, Barnes 1-minus 2.  
Cincinnati—Johnson 24-86, Curtis 1-minus 4, Griffin 6-103, Anderson 1-6, Alexander 1-3, Turner 3-4, Thompson 1-0.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 11-21-1—112, Walton 8-13-0—109.  
Cincinnati—Anderson 12-20-0—117, Thompson 0-1-0—0.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Montgomery 4-30, Carmichael 5-54, Harris 3-17, Smith 1-27, Krepfle 4-80, Barnes 1-6, Campfield 1-7.  
Cincinnati—Johnson 3-27, Bass 4-31, Griffin 4-50, Ross 1-9.

## CLEVELAND 24, EAGLES 19

November 4 at Veterans Stadium

Despite one of their best efforts of the season, the Eagles fell to the Browns when the visitors scored two touchdowns in the last four minutes of the game to overcome a 19-10 Philadelphia advantage. With Wilbert Montgomery running for an NFL season best of 197 yards, including a 62-yard scoring sprint, the Eagles appeared to have the game in control until the late Cleveland comeback engineered by quarterback Brian Sipe. Early in the game, Harold Carmichael caught a short pass from Ron Jaworski to set a new NFL record with at least one reception in 106 consecutive games. The former record of 105 straight games was held by Danny Abramowicz.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|           |   |   |   |       |
|-----------|---|---|---|-------|
| Cleveland | 7 | 3 | 0 | 14-24 |
| Eagles    | 6 | 7 | 6 | 0-19  |

### SCORING

Eagles—Carmichael 19 pass from Jaworski (kick failed).  
Cleveland—Rucker 21 pass from Sipe (Cockroft kick).  
Cleveland—Field goal Cockroft 39.  
Eagles—Montgomery 62 run (Franklin kick).  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 42.  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 39.  
Cleveland—Newsome 5 pass from Sipe (Cockroft kick).  
Cleveland—M. Pruitt 24 run (Cockroft kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Cleveland | Eagles  |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| First downs     | 23        | 21      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 29-154    | 40-236  |
| Passing yards   | 187       | 199     |
| Return yards    | 107       | 112     |
| Passes          | 20-35-3   | 16-23-2 |
| Punts           | 4-39.8    | 3-44.0  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 1-0       | 4-2     |
| Penalties-Yards | 4-30      | 6-39    |

Attendance—69,019.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Cleveland—M. Pruitt 17-104, D. Hall 4-35, Hill 7-18, Sipe 1-minus 3.  
Eagles—Montgomery 30-197, Harris 7-23, Jaworski 3-16.

#### Passing

Cleveland—Sipe 20-35-3—222.  
Eagles—Jaworski 16-23-2—205.

#### Receiving

Cleveland—Rucker 5-106, C. Miller 4-38, Logan 3-35, Hill 3-23, M. Pruitt 3-minus 3, Newsome 2-23.  
Eagles—Carmichael 5-95, Krepfle 3-41, Montgomery 3-40, Campfield 2-6, Harris 2-1, Smith 1-22.

## EAGLES 31, DALLAS 21

November 12 at Texas Stadium

A Dallas touchdown pass with just 61 seconds elapsed in the first period only momentarily deterred the Eagles and they went on to a memorable nationally televised Monday night victory, their first ever in Texas Stadium. Tony Franklin's 59-yard second period field goal, second longest in NFL history, followed touchdown passes by Ron Jaworski and Johnnie Walton, respectively, and staked the Eagles to a 17-7 halftime lead. The Birds went up, 24-7, when Harold Carmichael caught his second TD pass of the game, a 13-yarder from Jaworski in the third period. The Cowboys cut the margin to 24-21 late in the last quarter before Wilbert Montgomery sprinted 37 yards for the clinching touchdown after an unsuccessful Dallas onside kick attempt.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|        |   |    |   |       |
|--------|---|----|---|-------|
| Eagles | 7 | 10 | 7 | 7-31  |
| Dallas | 7 | 0  | 0 | 14-21 |

### SCORING

Dallas—Hill 48 pass from Staubach (Septien kick).  
 Eagles—Carmichael 32 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Smith 29 pass from Walton (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 59.  
 Eagles—Carmichael 13 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Dallas—Hill 75 pass from Staubach (Septien kick).  
 Dallas—DuPree 5 pass from Staubach (Septien kick).  
 Eagles—Montgomery 37 run (Franklin kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Dallas  | Eagles  |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| First downs     | 17      | 17      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 27-123  | 38-170  |
| Passing yards   | 285     | 158     |
| Return yards    | 131     | 167     |
| Passes          | 19-35-1 | 14-35-0 |
| Punts           | 7-40.6  | 8-39.0  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 2-2     | 0-0     |
| Penalties-Yards | 4-25    | 3-28    |

Attendance—62,417.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Montgomery 25-127, Harris 5-26, Giammona 4-11, Jaworski 1-4, Barnes 2-3, Campfield 1-minus 1.  
 Dallas—Dorsett 13-53, Staubach 4-31, Newhouse 5-16, Laidlaw 3-12, Springs 1-6, D. Pearson 1-5.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 12-29-0—145, Walton 2-6-0—41.  
 Dallas—Staubach 17-28-0—308, White 2-6-1—14, Springs 0-1-0—0.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Carmichael 4-69, Smith 4-54, Krepfle 1-24, Montgomery 2-19, Campfield 1-12, Harris 2-8.  
 Dallas—Hill 7-213, Dorsett 7-64, Springs 2-22, Laidlaw 1-12, D. Pearson 1-6, DuPree 1-5.

## EAGLES 16, ST. LOUIS 13

November 18 at Veterans Stadium

The Eagles downed the St. Louis Cardinals twice in a season for the first time since 1971 with a 16-13 decision at Veterans Stadium. The Birds' offense for much of the game consisted of three Tony Franklin field goals, although Wilbert Montgomery ended the game with 118 yards on 26 carries, his 6th 100-yard rushing effort of the season and the 13th of his career. A precarious 9-6 Philadelphia lead had been turned into a 13-9 St. Louis advantage when Wayne Morris scored from the one yard out at the end of a 73-yard drive late in the third period. The Eagles scored the eventual winning touchdown only minutes later, however, when Ron Jaworski hit tight end Keith Krepfle in stride with a 40-yard scoring pass.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|           |   |   |   |      |
|-----------|---|---|---|------|
| St. Louis | 0 | 6 | 7 | 0-13 |
| Eagles    | 3 | 3 | 3 | 7-16 |

### SCORING

Eagles—Field goal Franklin 23.  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 47.  
 St. Louis—Morris 1 run (kick failed).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 31.  
 St. Louis—Morris 1 run (Little kick).  
 Eagles—Krepfle 40 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                    | St. Louis | Eagles  |
|--------------------|-----------|---------|
| First downs        | 12        | 14      |
| Rushes-Yards       | 24-134    | 40-157  |
| Passing yards      | 172       | 130     |
| Return yards       | 93        | 103     |
| Passes             | 19-32-0   | 11-27-0 |
| Punts              | 8-34.4    | 7-38.1  |
| Fumbles-Lost       | 1-0       | 2-0     |
| Penalties-Yards    | 1-13      | 1-0     |
| Attendance—70,235. |           |         |

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

St. Louis—Anderson 17-112, Morris 5-13, Harrell 1-9, T. Brown 1-0.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 26-118, Campfield 1-3, Harris 6-19, Jaworski 6-2, LeMaster 1-15.

#### Passing

St. Louis—Hart 19-31-0—186, Little, 0-1-0.  
 Eagles—Jaworski 11-27-0—141

#### Receiving

St. Louis—Tilley 6-83, Anderson 2-2, T. Brown 3-17, Osborne 1-8, Harrell 1-7, Gray 4-60, Morris 1-13, Hart 1-minus 4.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 5-42, Carmichael 1-0, Smith 2-39, Krepfle 2-54, Campfield 1-6.

## EAGLES 21, GREEN BAY 10

November 25 at Lambeau Field

After a magnificent goal line stand that protected a 14-3 Eagles' lead in the last period, fullback Leroy Harris turned out of his own end zone and ran a club record 80 yards down the left sideline to set up the Birds' final touchdown in a workmanlike performance in Green Bay. Philadelphia never trailed after Ron Jaworski found Wilbert Montgomery for an 11-yard touchdown pass in the first period. Jaworski hit Harold Carmichael with a 17-yard strike in the third period and ended the Eagles' scoring with a 4-yard pass to Harold five plays after Harris's 80-yard run. Leroy finished with 137-yards on only nine carries.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|           |   |   |   |      |
|-----------|---|---|---|------|
| Eagles    | 7 | 0 | 7 | 7-21 |
| Green Bay | 3 | 0 | 0 | 7-10 |

### SCORING

Eagles—Montgomery 11 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick)  
 Green Bay—Field goal Birney 33.  
 Eagles—Carmichael 17 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Carmichael 4 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Green Bay—Lofton 7 pass from Dickey (Birney kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Green Bay | Eagles |
|-----------------|-----------|--------|
| First downs     | 24        | 17     |
| Rushes-Yards    | 34-118    | 36-229 |
| Passing yards   | 213       | 118    |
| Return yards    | 68        | 80     |
| Passes          | 24-49-0   | 8-18-0 |
| Punts           | 5-41.8    | 7-40.6 |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 3-3       | 1-0    |
| Penalties-Yards | 2-17      | 11-100 |
| Attendance      | 50,023.   |        |

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Harrison 9-137, Montgomery 21-83, Jaworski, 2-16, Campfield 1-minus 2, Walton 3-minus 5.  
 Green Bay—Torkelson 23-88, Middleton 7-18, Dickey 3-8, Simpson 1-4.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 8-18-0—127.  
 Green Bay—Whitehurst 9-26-0—53, Dickey 14-22-0—144, Beverly 1-1-0—23.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Krepfle 1-19, Carmichael 3-71, Montgomery 2-20, Campfield 1-14, Harris 1-3.  
 Green Bay—Coffman 6-50, Lofton 5-68, A. Thompson 4-43, Torkelson 4-15, Patton 2-13, Middleton 2-8, Gueno 1-23.

## EAGLES 44, DETROIT 7

December 2 at Veterans Stadium

A 24-point second period, their most productive quarter since 1967, helped the Eagles to the one-sided victory over the Lions. In the process, the Birds became the first NFL team to clinch a playoff spot in 1979. After a 0-0 first period, the Eagles scored on four consecutive possessions to put the contest out of reach by halftime. Following Tony Franklin's second and third field goals of the game and Detroit's only touchdown, Billy Campfield burst 92 yards with a kickoff return to give the Eagles a 37-7 lead late in the third period. The 37-point margin of victory was the largest for the Birds since the 1953 squad defeated the Chicago Cardinals, 38-0. The Eagles had 29 first downs to Detroit's 5 and outgained the Lions, 385 yards to 180.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|         |   |    |    |      |
|---------|---|----|----|------|
| Detroit | 0 | 0  | 7  | 0-7  |
| Eagles  | 0 | 24 | 13 | 7-44 |

### SCORING

Eagles—Montgomery 1 run (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Carmichael 20 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Carmichael 24 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 33.  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 30.  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 42.  
 Detroit—Scott 34 pass from Reed (Ricardo kick).  
 Eagles—Campfield 92 kickoff return (Franklin kick).  
 Eagles—Barnes 1 run (Franklin kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Detroit | Eagles  |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| First downs     | 5       | 29      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 18-53   | 43-168  |
| Passing yards   | 127     | 217     |
| Return yards    | 120     | 183     |
| Passes          | 11-28-1 | 16-26-0 |
| Punts           | 8-35.4  | 1-33.0  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 2-0     | 5-2     |
| Penalties-Yards | 10-105  | 10-85   |
| Attendance      | 66,128. |         |

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Detroit—Kane 6-18, Robinson 6-7, Thompson 1-minus 9, King 1-8, Bussey 2-18, Reed 2-11.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 22-108, Jaworski 2-2, Harris 7-41, Campfield 3-11, Barnes 3-5, Giammona 5-1, Walton 1-0.

#### Passing

Detroit—Komlo 5-11-0—42, Reed 6-17-1—103  
 Eagles—Jaworski 14-23-0—233, Walton 2-3-0—0

#### Receiving

Detroit—Robinson 1-4, Scott 4-91, Thompson 2-31, Bussey 2-13, King 1-1, Norris 1-5.  
 Eagles—Harris 3-32, Krepfle 2-53, Carmichael 5-96, Smith 1-21, Montgomery 1-23, Campfield 3-10, McRae 1-minus 2.

## DALLAS 24, EAGLES 17

December 8 at Veterans Stadium

An opportunity to win the NFC Eastern Division title outright eluded the Eagles when they dropped a 24-17 decision to the Cowboys in windy Veterans Stadium. After playing to a 10-10 tie at halftime, Dallas took the lead for good on a Robert Newhouse run in the third quarter and put the game out of reach early in the last period when Butch Johnson caught a deflected Roger Staubach pass for a 17-yard TD reception. The Eagles fought back to 24-17 on a one-yard Wilbert Montgomery run and drove to the Dallas 17 before Ron Jaworski was sacked once and threw three incomplete passes. The crowd of 71,434 broke the Veterans Stadium record set earlier in the year against Pittsburgh.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|        |    |   |   |      |
|--------|----|---|---|------|
| Dallas | 10 | 0 | 7 | 7-24 |
| Eagles | 3  | 7 | 0 | 7-17 |

### SCORING

Dallas—Laidlaw 1 run (Septien kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 27.  
 Dallas—Field goal Septien 40.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 14 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
 Dallas—Newhouse 17 run (Septien kick).  
 Dallas—Johnson 17 pass from Staubach (Septien kick).  
 Eagles—Montgomery 1 run (Franklin kick).

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Dallas  | Eagles  |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| First downs     | 19      | 18      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 41-185  | 28-80   |
| Passing yards   | 94      | 204     |
| Return yards    | 88      | 69      |
| Passes          | 11-21-0 | 13-36-1 |
| Punts           | 4-41.3  | 5-40.6  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 3-1     | 1-0     |
| Penalties-Yards | 7-46    | 2-6     |

Attendance—71,434.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Dallas—Newhouse 12-68, Springs 12-62, Dorsett 9-36, Laidlaw 2-10, P. Pearson 2-minus 2, Staubach 3-10, Brinson 1-1.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 23-65, Harris 5-15.

#### Passing

Dallas—Staubach 11-21-0—105.  
 Eagles—Jaworski 13-36-1—216.

#### Receiving

Dallas—Hill 3-33, P. Pearson 3-27, Johnson 1-17, Springs 1-16, Dorsett 1-11, Newhouse 2-1.  
 Eagles—Montgomery 4-93, Krepfle 3-31, Fitzkee 2-24, Campfield 2-23, Carmichael 1-34, Harris 1-11.

## EAGLES 26, HOUSTON 20

December 16 at the Astrodome

The Eagles had already secured a playoff spot (as had the Oilers) but they needed a win in the regular season finale to reach the 11 victory plateau for their most productive campaign since 1949. Both teams substituted liberally but the Birds' reserves proved equal to the challenge as Johnnie Walton threw the eventual game winning touchdown pass to rookie Scott Fitzkee early in the last period with most of the starters watching from the sideline. Tony Franklin kicked field goals of 22 and 41 yards to give him 23 for the season, just one short of Tom Dempsey's club record of 24 set in 1973.

### SCORE BY PERIODS

|         |   |    |   |       |
|---------|---|----|---|-------|
| Eagles  | 9 | 3  | 7 | 7-26  |
| Houston | 0 | 10 | 0 | 10-20 |

### SCORING

Eagles—Jaworski 4 run (kick failed).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 22.  
 Houston—Campbell 6 run (Fritsch kick).  
 Eagles—Field goal Franklin 41.  
 Houston—Field goal Fritsch 44.  
 Eagles—Harris 1 run (Franklin kick).  
 Houston—Renfro 7 pass from Pastorini (Fritsch kick).  
 Eagles—Fitzkee 4 pass from Walton (Franklin kick).  
 Houston—Field goal Fritsch 37.

### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Houston | Eagles  |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| First downs     | 19      | 20      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 40-235  | 31-168  |
| Passing yards   | 104     | 202     |
| Return yards    | 143     | 158     |
| Passes          | 12-27-3 | 16-29-0 |
| Punts           | 5-42.0  | 5-42.6  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 0-0     | 1-1     |
| Penalties-Yards | 8-49    | 5-40    |

Attendance—49,407.

### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

#### Rushing

Eagles—Campfield 7-68, Montgomery 11-60, Harris 8-26, Giammona 2-8, Jaworski 1-4, Barnes 1-4, Walton 1-minus 2.  
 Houston—Campbell 16-134, Carpenter 10-45, Clark 5-27, Wilson 5-14, Caster 1-6, Pastorini 1-5, Coleman 2-4.

#### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 12-21-0—163, Walton 4-8-0—35.  
 Houston—Pastorini 7-14-2—85, Nielsen 5-13-1—52.

#### Receiving

Eagles—Montgomery 5-51, Carmichael 2-49, Campfield 4-32, Krepfle 2-29, Fitzkee 2-23, Spagnola 1-14.  
 Houston—Renfro 3-67, Merckens 2-35, Caster 2-17, Wilson 1-7, Groth 1-6, Campbell 1-4, Carpenter 1-1, Clark 1-0.

## NFC Wildcard Playoff Game

### EAGLES 27, CHICAGO 17

December 23 at Veterans Stadium

Second year man Billy Campfield took a short pass from Ron Jaworski and turned it into a 63-yard touchdown in the last period to break a 17-17 tie and help the Eagles to their first post-season win since 1960. The Birds got on the scoreboard first on Harold Carmichael's 17-yard TD reception from Jaworski, but the Bears eventually took a 17-10 halftime lead on a field goal and two short scoring runs by Walter Payton. Carmichael and Jaworski teamed up to tie the game in the third period on a 29-yard touchdown play that set the stage for Campfield's big play. Tony Franklin iced the game with a 34-yard field goal later in the last period. The key defensive play came late in the third quarter when the veteran cornerback Bobby Howard intercepted a Mike Phipps' pass in the Eagles' endzone after the Bears had driven to the Philadelphia 9-yard line with the score tied at 17.

#### SCORE BY PERIODS

|         |   |    |   |       |
|---------|---|----|---|-------|
| Chicago | 7 | 10 | 0 | 0-17  |
| Eagles  | 7 | 3  | 7 | 10-27 |

#### SCORING

Eagles—Carmichael 17 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
Chicago—Payton 2 run (Thomas kick).  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 29.  
Chicago—Payton 1 run (Thomas kick).  
Chicago—Field goal Thomas 30.  
Eagles—Carmichael 29 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
Eagles—Campfield 63 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 34.

#### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Chicago | Eagles  |
|-----------------|---------|---------|
| First downs     | 15      | 18      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 29-99   | 37-139  |
| Passing yards   | 142     | 176     |
| Return yards    | 149     | 132     |
| Passes          | 13-30-2 | 12-23-1 |
| Punts           | 6-39.0  | 4-40.5  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 1-1     | 4-2     |
| Penalties-Yards | 4-35    | 4-46    |
| Attendance      | 69,397. |         |

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

##### Rushing

Chicago—Williams 10-23, Payton 16-67, McClendon 2-6, Phipps 1-3.  
Eagles—Montgomery 26-87, Harris 8-33, Jaworski 3-19.

##### Passing

Chicago—Phipps 13-30-2—142.  
Eagles—Jaworski 12-23-1—204.

##### Receiving

Chicago—Williams 2-4, Baschnagel 3-38, Payton 3-52, Latta 2-6, Watts 3-42.  
Eagles—Carmichael 6-111, Campfield 2-70, Smith 1-8, Harris 1-15, Montgomery 2-0.

## NFC Divisional Playoff Game

### TAMPA BAY 24, EAGLES 17

December 29 at Tampa Stadium

The Eagles' Super Bowl hopes were crushed by the underdog Buccaneers in the warm December sunshine of Tampa, Florida. The host team set the stage for the game after receiving the opening kickoff when they drove 80 yards and held the ball for nine minutes and 34 seconds culminated by Ricky Bell's 4-yard touchdown run. That early 7-0 lead was eventually expanded to 17-0 before the Eagles got on the scoreboard just before halftime with an 11-yard TD pass from Ron Jaworski to Charlie Smith. That score was set up by rookie linebacker Jerry Robinson's pass interception and 37-yard return to the Tampa Bay 11. The Eagles closed to 17-10 on Tony Franklin's 42-yard field goal in the third period but the Bucs put the game out of reach midway through the final stanza on a 9-yard scoring pass from Doug Williams to tight end Jimmie Giles. With tailback Bell leading the way with 142-yards, Tampa Bay outrushed the Eagles, 186 to 48. Wilbert Montgomery carried only 13 times for 35 yards.

#### SCORE BY PERIODS

|           |   |    |   |      |
|-----------|---|----|---|------|
| Eagles    | 0 | 7  | 3 | 7-17 |
| Tampa Bay | 7 | 10 | 0 | 7-24 |

#### SCORING

Tampa Bay—Bell 4 run (O'Donoghue kick).  
Tampa Bay—Field goal O'Donoghue 40.  
Tampa Bay—Bell 1 run (O'Donoghue kick).  
Eagles—Smith 11 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).  
Eagles—Field goal Franklin 42.  
Tampa Bay—Giles 9 pass from Williams (O'Donoghue kick).  
Eagles—Carmichael 37 pass from Jaworski (Franklin kick).

#### TEAM STATISTICS

|                 | Tampa Bay | Eagles  |
|-----------------|-----------|---------|
| First downs     | 17        | 15      |
| Rushes-Yards    | 55-186    | 18-48   |
| Passing yards   | 132       | 179     |
| Return yards    | 92        | 172     |
| Passes          | 7-15-1    | 15-38-0 |
| Punts           | 5-42.6    | 5-44.2  |
| Fumbles-Lost    | 0-0       | 2-1     |
| Penalties-Yards | 9-105     | 8-62    |
| Attendance      | 71,402.   |         |

#### INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

##### Rushing

Eagles—Harris 4-13, Montgomery 13-35, Jaworski 1-0.  
Tampa Bay—Eckwood 8-19, Bell 38-142, Williams 6-19, J. Davis 3-6.

##### Passing

Eagles—Jaworski 15-38-0—199.  
Tampa Bay—Williams 7-15-1—132.

##### Receiving

Eagles—Harris 1-2, Campfield 1-minus 2, Krepfle 3-23, Montgomery 4-35, Smith 3-49, Carmichael 3-92.  
Tampa Bay—Giles 3-43, Mucker 1-34, Hagins 2-34, Owens 1-21.