

## 1990 GAME-BY-GAME REVIEW

### Game 1, Sun, Sept 9 NY Giants 27, Eagles 20 Giants Stadium 76,202

The Eagles fell to the Giants, 27-20 at the Meadowlands, after allowing a 10-6 halftime lead to crumble under three unanswered Giants' TDs. Philadelphia rallied from a 17-point deficit in the 4th qtr., but it was too little, too late. The Giants took an early 3-0 lead on Paul Allegre's 38-yard FG after Everson Walls' INT of a Randall Cunningham pass on the third play of the game. After a second FG upped New York's lead to 6-0, Eagles' FS Wes Hopkins intercepted a Phil Simms pass and the Birds' offense started to click, marching to a FG and a TD. The TD, an 18-yd. HB option pass from Keith Byars to Anthony Toney gave the Eagles a 10-6 lead at intermission. The drive was keyed by TE Mickey Shuler's 25-yd. reception on a 3rd-and-17 play (Shuler started for Keith Jackson who was holding out). NY opened the 2nd half with a 9-play, 70-yd. drive, culminating in Simms' 12-yd. TD pass to RB Rodney Hampton. Then, after halting the Eagles on their first series, Dave Meggett returned a punt 68 yds. for a TD. The play gave NY a 20-10 lead and was considered by many to be the turning point in the game. After NY made the score 27-10 on Simms' 41-yd. TD strike to WR Mark Ingram, the Eagles' closed the gap to 27-17 as Cunningham capped a 14-play, 86-yd. drive with a 1-yd. sneak. The drive was costly in terms of time, however, using up 7:54 of the 4th quarter. Philadelphia then moved within a TD at 27-20 on Roger Ruzek's 29-yd. FG but NY recovered an on-side attempt and ran out the clock. In the end, the Eagles came up short on the scoreboard despite outdoing NY in many offensive categories.

Philadelphia.....	3	7	0	10	-	20
New York.....	6	0	14	7	-	27

NYG - Allegre, FG 38	
NYG - Allegre, FG 46	
Phil - Ruzek, FG 37	
Phil - Toney, 18 pass from Byars (Ruzek kick)	
NYG - Hampton, 12 pass from Simms (Allegre kick)	
NYG - Meggett, 68 punt return (Allegre kick)	
NYG - Ingram, 41 pass from Simms (Allegre kick)	
Phil - Cunningham, 1 run (Allegre kick)	
Phil - Ruzek, FG 29	

	Eagles	Giants
First Downs	21	11
Net Yards Gained	295	227
Rushes/Yards	23/81	24/79
Net Yards Passing	214	148
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	43/26/3	27/15/1
Times Sacked/Yards	4/30	1/1
Punts/Avg.	6/46.7	7/44.9
Fumbles/Lost	4/0	1/0
Penalties/Yards	8/76	8/62

**RUSHING:** EAGLES - Toney 13-50, Cunningham 7-28-TD, Drummond 1-2, Vick 2-1... GIANTS - Tillman 15-39, Simms 1-20, Hampton 6-17, Anderson 2-3.

**PASSING:** EAGLES - Cunningham 42-25-226-3-0TD, Byars 1-1-18-0-1TD ...GIANTS - Simms 27-15-149-1-2TDs.

**RECEIVING:** EAGLES - Byars 7-60, Shuler 5-54, Drummond 4-33, Quick 3-34, Toney 3-26-1TD, Williams 2-22, Barnett 2-15 ... GIANTS - Carthon 4-33, Hampton 4-26-1TD, Tillman 2(-1), Ingram 1-41-1TD, Manuel 1-19, Turner 1-18, Cross 1-14, Meggett 1(-1).

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### Game 2, Sun, Sept 16 Phoenix 23, Eagles 21 Veterans Stadium 64,396

After permitting the Eagles to take a 14-0 lead in the first quarter, the visiting Cardinals shut down their hosts and scored 16 second half points to earn a 23-21 victory at Veterans Stadium. Al Del Greco's 42-yd. FG with 24 seconds remaining provided the Cards with the win. Phoenix beat Philadelphia at its own game, creating turnovers and turning them into points. The Cards' defense created 3 takeaways (all in the 2nd half) to just one by the Eagles. On Philadelphia's first offensive series, QB Randall Cunningham's 34-yd. TD pass to rookie free agent WR Marvin Hargrove was set up by a 41-yd. flea-flicker from Cunningham to WR Calvin Williams. The Eagles' second TD also was set up by the long pass as Mike Quick's 39-yd. reception led to Cunningham's 1-yd. sneak. Leading 14-0 in the 2nd qtr. the Birds' failed to convert on 4th-and-2 at the Cards' 37. On the ensuing series, Phx. marched to a TD as rookie RB Johnny Johnson scampered 22 yds. to make the score 14-7 at the half. For the 2nd week in a row, the Eagles started the 2nd half slowly as Cunningham was INT'd by Tim McDonald, whose 28-yd. return to the Eagles' 13 set up Anthony Thompson's game-tying 1-yd. TD run. Philadelphia regained the lead on an 11-play, 89-yd. drive capped by Cunningham's 2-yd. TD pass to RB Heath Sherman. It was the Birds' last score of the day, however, as Phx. forced 2 turnovers and held Phila. to just 25 total yards in the 4th qtr. Following a Phx. FG that cut the Eagles' lead to 21-17, Phx. CB Jay Taylor returned an INT to the Eagles' 36 to set up another FG. The Eagles then failed to move the ball on offense and the stage was set as Phx. took possession at its own 17 with 2:42 remaining. With the help of a 26-yd. pass interference penalty on Ben Smith and the workhorse running of Johnson, Phx. drove 58 yds. and Al Del Greco booted his 3rd consecutive FG, the 42-yd. game-winner. In addition to the game, the Eagles lost the services of DT Mike Pitts who had two sacks before suffering a knee injury that would sideline him for 12 games, and T Matt Darwin who reinjured a knee and was soon placed on IR for the rest of the season.

Phoenix.....	0	7	7	9	23
Philadelphia.....	14	0	7	0	21

Phil - Hargrove, 34 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)	
Phil - Cunningham, 1 run (Ruzek kick)	
Phx - Johnson, 22 run (Del Greco kick)	
Phx - Thompson, 1 run (Del Greco kick)	
Phil - Sherman, 2 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)	
Phx - Del Greco, FG 25	
Phx - Del Greco, FG 50	
Phx - Del Greco, FG 42	

	Eagles	Cardinals
First Downs	17	14
Net Yards Gained	327	234
Rushes/Yards	27/104	31/145
Net Yards Passing	123	89
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	24/17/2	19/11/1
Times Sacked/Yards	4/29	6/27
Punts/Avg.	4/43.5	4/35.8
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	1/0
Penalties/Yards	11/115	4/44

**RUSHING:** EAGLES - Cunningham 6-34-1TD, Drummond 6-29, Sherman 5-19, Byars 4-13, Toney 6-9 ... CARDINALS - Johnson 22-88-1TD, Rosenbach 5-50, Thompson 3-6-1TD, Sikahema 1-1.

**PASSING:** EAGLES - Cunningham 24-17-252-2-2TDs ... CARDINALS - Rosenbach 19-11-116-1-0TD.

**RECEIVING:** EAGLES - Shuler 6-63, Byars 3-34, Williams 2-59, Sherman 2-8-1TD, Quick 1-39, Hargrove 1-34-1TD, Le Bel 1-9, Drummond 1-6 ... CARDINALS - Proehl 4-72, Sikahema 3-26, Jones 2-5, Johnson 1-7, Smith 1-6.

### Game 3, Sun, Sept 23 Eagles 27, Rams 21 Anaheim Stadium 63,644

In a rematch against the Rams, who defeated Phila. in the NFC Wild Card Game a year earlier, the visiting Eagles racked up 405 yards of offense en route to a 27-21 victory at Anaheim Stadium. (The win was Philadelphia's first road triumph vs. the Rams since earning a 14-0 decision in the 1949 NFL title game at the LA Memorial Coliseum.) The Eagles topped the LA in total yards, rushing yds., 1st downs, and time of possession (36:18-23:42). Philadelphia scored first on Roger Ruzek's 43-yd. FG after DE Reggie White sacked Everett, causing a fumble that DT Jerome Brown returned into Ram territory. The Rams countered with a 50-yd. catch-n-run TD pass from Everett to WR Henry Ellard but Phila. retook the lead at 10-7 on Randall Cunningham's 15-yd. TD pass to Mike Quick. RB Anthony Toney, who was 24-103 rushing and 4-49 receiving, keyed the drive with a 20-yd. run and 32-yd. catch. On the day, Toney became the first Eagles' RB to top 100 yds. rushing since Keith Byars did so in the 1987 season finale. Cunningham was INT'd, however, on the Eagles' next possession and Everett marched LA to another TD. With 1:51 remaining in the half, the Eagles' hurryup offense clicked with Cunningham capping a 5-play, 68-yd. drive with TD pass to WR Calvin Williams for a 17-14 lead at the half. The Birds then pressured Everett, who entered the game as the NFC's #1 rated passer, into an erratic 2nd half. Everett, who had completed 10 of his first 16 passes, was held to just 7 of 19 from then on. The Birds started their first drive of the 2nd half at the LA 40 after Izel Jenkins partially blocked a punt, and upped their lead to 20-14 with a FG. Shortly thereafter, a fumble by Toney set up LA at the Eagles' 18 but the defense stifled - LDT Mike Golic recorded a sack and LB Jessie Small dropped Curt Warner for a 5-yd. loss, forcing an errant 48-yd. FG try. The Eagles stretched their lead to 27-14 as Robert Drummond capped a drive with a 2-yd. TD run. Phila. then had a chance to put the game away early in the 4th qtr. after an INT by Golic in Ram territory. But an Eagles' turnover gave the ball back to LA who marched to a TD that cut the Birds' lead to 27-21 with just over 8:00 to play. Phila. took the ensuing kickoff, however, and chewed the final 8:04 off the clock by earning four 1st downs on 3rd down conversions, including two on runs by Cunningham.

Philadelphia.....	3	14	3	7	27
Los Angeles.....	7	7	0	7	21

Phil - Ruzek, FG 43	
LA - Ellard, 50 pass from Everett (Lansford kick)	
Phil - Quick, 15 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)	
LA - McGee, 10 pass from Everett (Lansford kick)	
Phil - Williams, 14 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)	
Phil - Ruzek, FG 18	
Phil - Drummond, 2 run (Ruzek kick)	
LA - Gary, 1 run (Lansford kick)	

	Eagles	Rams
First Downs	25	15
Net Yards Gained	405	281
Rushes/Yards	37/171	15/35
Net Yards Passing	234	246
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	29/18/1	35/17/1
Times Sacked/Yards	3/14	2/14
Punts/Avg.	1/10.0	4/35.5
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	1/1
Penalties/Yards	4/40	7/55

**RUSHING:** EAGLES - Toney 24-103, Cunningham 7-44, Sherman 3-14, Byars 2-8, Drummond 1-2-1TD ... RAMS - Warner 9-18, Green 1-9, Gary 4-5-1TD, Delpino 1-3.

**PASSING:** EAGLES - Cunningham 29-18-248-1-2TD ... RAMS - Everett 35-17-260-1-2TD.

**RECEIVING:** EAGLES - Keith Jackson 4-77, Toney 4-49, Quick 3-37-1TD, Byars 3-20, Barnett 2-39, Williams 1-14-1TD, Shuler 1-12 ... RAMS - Ellard 7-145-1TD, Holohan 3-21, McGee 2-25-1TD, Johnson 2-6, Cox 1-26, Anderson 1-25, Faison 1-12.

### Game 4, Sun, Sept 30 Indianapolis 24, Eagles 23 Veterans Stadium 62,067

Once again the Eagles won the statistical battle, but for the third time in four weeks squandered a halftime lead, and fell to the Colts, 24-23. The loss dropped the Birds' record to 1-3 (0-2 at home). The Eagles gained more total yards, rushing yds., and 1st downs, and controlled the ball longer (38:55-21:05), but saw the Colts, led by backup QB Jack Trudeau (starting for the injured Jeff George), drive 82 yards in the final 1:51. On the game's final play, Trudeau's TD pass to WR Bill Brooks tied the score at 23. Dean Biasucci's PAT with no time on the clock provided the Colts with their first victory of 1990. For the third straight week the Eagles scored first as Roger Ruzek kicked a 22-yd. FG following Ben Smith's 2nd INT of the year. The Colts took a 7-3 lead, however, after a 73-yd. screen pass to Albert Bentley set up Trudeau's TD pass to Jessie Hester. The Eagles recaptured the lead at 10-7 as QB Randall Cunningham hit TE Keith Jackson for a 35-yd. TD. On that drive, RB Keith Byars caught 3 passes en route to career receiving bests of 12-133. The Birds increased their lead to 17-7 on Cunningham's TD pass to Fred Barnett for the rookie WR's first TD. In this game, the Birds would go 3-for-3 inside the 20 but had to settle for FGs on two of those occasions. With 0:29 left in the 1st half, a Colts' FG closed the gap to 17-10. Early in the 2nd half, an Eagles' 49-yd. FG sailed wide but the defense got the ball back when DE Reggie White picked up his 1st of 3 sacks on the day and caused a fumble that Clyde Simmons recovered on the Colts' 45. Ruzek then made his 2nd FG for a 20-10 Eagles' lead. The Colts answered quickly with a 2-play TD drive capped by Bentley's 26-yd. TD run. With 9:40 left in the 4th qtr. and a 20-17 lead, the Birds ran time off the clock moving into Colts' territory. Once there, however, they could muster only a 31-yd. FG for a 23-17 lead with 1:56 to play. The Colts then responded with their game-winning, 14-play, 82-yd. drive.

Indianapolis.....	7	3	7	7	24
Philadelphia.....	3	14	3	3	23

Phil - Ruzek, FG 22	
Indy - Hester, 5 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick)	
Phil - Keith Jackson, 35 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)	

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Phil - Barnett, 21 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Indy - Biasucci, FG 41  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 44  
 Phil - Bentley, 26 run (Biasucci kick)  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 31  
 Indy - Brooks, 6 pass from Trudeau (Biasucci kick)

	Eagles	Colts
First Downs	21	17
Net Yards Gained	409	357
Rushes/Yards	38/143	14/52
Net Yards Passing	266	305
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	34/22/0	40/19/1
Times Sacked/Yards	1/8	3/24
Punts/Avg.	3/38.0	5/44.0
Fumbles/Lost	3/1	5/1
Penalties	5/50	6/49

RUSHING: EAGLES - Cunningham 11-55, Sherman 13-46, Toney 13-43, Byars 1(-1) ... COLTS - Bentley 12-54-1TD, Trudeau 1-0, Hester 1(-2).

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 34-22-274-0-2TDs ... COLTS - Trudeau 40-19-329-1-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Byars 12-133, Keith Jackson 4-56-1TD, Sherman 2-17, Kenny Jackson 1-43, Barnett 1-21-1TD, Shuler 1-5, Toney 1(-1) ... COLTS - Brooks 8-94-1TD, Hester 4-85-1TD, Bentley 3-104, Morgan 2-27, Beach 2-19.

**Game 5, Mon. Oct. 15**  
**Eagles 32, Minnesota 24**  
**Veterans Stadium 66,296**

The Eagles overcame a 21-9 halftime deficit to defeat the Vikings, 32-24, in a nationally televised Monday Night Football contest at Veterans Stadium. The win upped the Birds' record to 2-3 and was their first home triumph of 1990. Despite having a -4 turnover ratio coming into the game, the Birds' defense again found its aggressive style, registering 6 takeaways. On the Vikings' first possession, Reggie White sacked QB Rich Gannon forcing a fumble that the Eagles recovered and turned into a FG. The Eagles then took a 9-0 lead on Randall Cunningham's TD pass to Calvin Williams (Ruzek's PAT was blocked). Minnesota cut the lead to 9-7 as Gannon threw a 42-yd TD strike on a flea-flicker to former Eagle WR Cris Carter. The Vikes then missed an opportunity to take the lead as LB Mike Merrilweather's INT return to the Eagles' 19 was negated - Clyde Simmons' forced Herschel Walker to fumble two plays later - however, Rick Fenney's 1-yd TD run and Gannon's 78-yd TD bomb to Carter put Minn. up 21-9 at the half. Early in the 2nd half, Phila. got one FG and recovered Walker's fumble on the ensuing kickoff at the Vikes' 15 to set up Ruzek's third 3-pointer of the night and cut the lead to 21-15. Shortly thereafter, the Vikes recovered a muffed Birds' punt return on the Eagles' 8, but the Eagles' defense held the Vikes to a FG and a 24-15 lead.

With 6:27 remaining to play, the Eagles faced a 4th-and-2 from their own 22. From there, Cunningham's pass for Keith Byars fell short but a 5-yard holding penalty on the Vikes gave the Eagles' new life. Rejuvenated, Philadelphia then scored when Cunningham's pass intended for Williams was tipped twice by Williams and a Viking defender before Fred Barnett pulled it in and raced 12 yards for a TD to trim the lead to 24-22.

The Eagles then registered their 5th takeaway of the night as Seth Joyner sacked Gannon and forced a fumble which Simmons returned to the Vikes' 6. This

time the Birds punched it in as Anthony Toney ran 6 yds. for the game-winning TD. The Eagles then sealed the win when William Frizzell returned an INT off Gannon 37 yds. to the Vikes' 5, setting up an insurance FG.

Minnesota	7	14	0	3	24
Philadelphia	9	0	6	17	32

Phil - Ruzek, FG 38  
 Phil - Williams, 19 pass from Cunningham (kick blocked)  
 Minn - C. Carter, 42 pass from Gannon (Igwebuikie kick)  
 Minn - Fenney, 1 run (Igwebuikie kick)  
 Minn - C. Carter, 78 pass from Gannon (Igwebuikie kick)  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 30  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 29  
 Minn - Igwebuikie, FG 33  
 Phil - Barnett, 40 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Toney, 6 run (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 19

	Eagles	Vikings
First Downs	16	12
Net Yards Gained	347	273
Rushes/Yards	34/128	20/34
Net Yards Passing	219	239
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	34/17/1	35/18/2
Times Sacked/Yards	5/43	5/31
Punts/Avg.	7/40.0	6/41.7
Fumbles/Lost	3/1	6/4
Penalties/Yards	13/105	6/54

RUSHING: EAGLES - Cunningham 13-90, Toney 17-38-1TD, Byars 3-0, Sherman 1-0 ... VIKINGS - Gannon 5-18, Fenney 11-15-1TD, Walker 3-3. C. Carter 1(-2).

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 34-17-262-1-2TDs ... VIKINGS - Gannon 35-18-270-2-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Byars 8-89, Barnett 4-114-1TD, Quick 2-25, Williams 1-19-1TD, Keith Jackson 1-14, Toney 1-1 ... VIKINGS - C. Carter 6-151-2TDs, Jordan 4-46, Jones 3-37, Walker 2-25, Fenney 2-6, Rice 1-5.

**Game 6, Sun. Oct. 21**  
**Washington 13, Eagles 7**  
**RFK Stadium, 53,567**

In a defensive struggle that featured a combined six missed FGs, Philadelphia mustered only a late 4th quarter TD and fell to the Redskins, 13-7, at RFK Stadium. Three keys to the Eagles' loss were an inability to make big plays both offensively and defensively, costly penalties, and a failure to capitalize on scoring chances - two drives deep into Redskins' territory failed when FG tries by Roger Ruzek went wide. From then on, the Redskins shut down the Eagles' ground game and repeatedly harassed QB Randall Cunningham. Overall, the Birds managed 270 yds. of total offense, including just 39 rushing yds. by the RBs and permitted 5 sacks. Defensively, the Birds were held without an INT, fumble recovery, or sack for the first time since 1976. As for Washington, they too came up empty on two early drives as Chip Lohmiller missed 51 and 48-yd. FG tries. After a scoreless 1st qtr., a Redskins' punt pinned the Eagles' at their own 1-yd. line. The Birds, however, orchestrated an impressive 16-play, 88-yd. drive that went for naught as Ruzek missed a 28-yd. FG. Washington then took a 7-0 lead with 1:28 left in the half on Gerald Riggs' 1-

yd. TD run which was set up by Stan Humphries' 33-yd. pass to Gary Clark and 44-yd. strike to Art Monk. Following a Cunningham fumble on the Birds' first possession of the 2nd half, the Skins had an opportunity to add to their lead but missed another FG try. The Redskins did, however, increase their lead to 13-0 in the 4th qtr. on two Lohmiller FGs. The Eagles finally scored with 2:31 remaining as Barnett (who earlier had a diving 49-yd. TD catch nullified by a holding penalty) made a 9-yd. TD reception to cut the lead to 13-7. But the Redskins recovered a subsequent on-side kick and ran out the clock.

Philadelphia	0	0	0	7	7
Washington	0	7	0	6	13

Wash - Riggs, 1 run (Lohmiller kick)  
 Wash - Lohmiller, FG 33  
 Wash - Lohmiller, FG 39  
 Phil - Barnett, 9 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)

	Eagles	Redskins
First Downs	16	19
Net Yards Gained	270	321
Rushes/Yards	18/94	36/121
Net Yards Passing	176	200
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	42/21/0	31/14/0
Times Sacked/Yards	5/44	0/0
Punts/Avg.	7/43.4	4/41.7
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	2/0
Penalties/Yards	7/70	6/29

RUSHING: EAGLES - Cunningham 5-54, Sherman 9-31, Toney 3-8, Barnett 1-1 ... REDSKINS - Riggs 14-52-1TD, Byner 16-46, Humphries 6-23.

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 42-21-220-0-1TD ... REDSKINS - Humphries 31-14-200-0-0TD.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Sherman 6-32, Byars 5-51, Keith Jackson 5-41, Williams 4-87, Barnett 1-9-1TD ... REDSKINS - Clark 4-60, Monk 3-62, J. Johnson 2-25, Bryant 2-23, Sanders 1-14, Stanley 1-12, Byner 1-4.

**Game 7, Sun. Oct. 28**  
**Eagles 21, Dallas 20**  
**Texas Stadium, 62,605**

The Eagles earned their first NFC East win of the year after orchestrating a 13-play, 85-yd. scoring drive in the final minutes to defeat the Cowboys, 21-20, at Texas Stadium. Early on, Dallas became the second consecutive opponent to drive into Philadelphia territory on their first two possessions but the defense held the Cowboys scoreless each time. On the day, 9 out of Dallas' 10 drives ended in Eagles' territory, but the Pokes could muster only one TD and two FGs (not including a 4th qtr. TD set up by a blocked punt). Another key factor in the game was Randall Cunningham's ability to keep his poise under pressure. His leadership and performance later on in the game-winning TD drive would be vintage Cunningham. The Eagles had taken an early lead when Cunningham's 10-yd TD pass to RB Anthony Toney capped an 80-yd drive. Trailing 7-0, Dallas had a 1st-and-goal at the Eagles' 10, but Wes Hopkins' intercepted a Troy Aikman pass. Hopkins had started at FS in place of rookie Ben Smith, who moved to the LCB spot for an injured Izel Jenkins in a lineup change that would last the remainder of the year. The Eagles countered by moving deep into Dallas territory but lost the ball, too, on RB Heath Sherman's fumble at the Cowboys' 6. Dallas then got a 43-yd FG from Ken Willis to cut the Eagles' lead to 7-3 at the half. On their first possession of the 2nd half, Dallas trimmed the deficit to 7-6 on

another 43-yd FG. Phila. then increased its lead to 14-6 early in the 4th qtr, as Sherman broke tackles en route to a 19-yard TD run (the longest TD run by an Eagles' RB since Herman Hunter raced 74 yds at Dallas on 11/24/85). The Cowboys, however, sliced the lead to a point as Aikman connected on two successive 29-yd passes, first to WR Michael Irvin and then for a TD to TE Jay Novacek. Dallas' Issac Holt then blocked Jeff Feagles' punt (It was the first suffered by the Eagles since October 1988 vs. Houston) and the Cowboys took over at the Eagles' 24. Three plays later, Dallas took the lead, 20-14, on RB Emmitt Smith's 2-yard TD run. But with 3:53 remaining, the Eagles successfully mixed the short passing game and some nifty scrambling by Cunningham in marching 85 yds on 13 plays, capping the drive with a 10-yd game-winning TD reception by WR Calvin Williams with 0:44 to play.

Philadelphia	7	0	0	14	21
Dallas	0	3	3	14	20

Phil - Toney, 10 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Dal - Willis, FG 43  
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 Phil - Sherman, 19 run (Ruzek kick)  
 Dal - Novacek, 29 pass from Aikman (Willis kick)  
 Dal - E. Smith, 3 run (Willis kick)  
 Phil - Williams, 10 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)

	Eagles	Cowboys
First Downs	22	23
Net Yards Gained	304	345
Rushes/Yards	29/144	24/130
Net Yards Passing	160	215
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	30/17/0	41/22/1
Times Sacked/Yards	2/23	2/18
Punts/Avg.	5/38.3	3/44.0
Fumbles/Lost	1/1	1/0
Penalties/Yards	6/35	6/51

RUSHING: EAGLES - Cunningham 9-53, Sherman 5-47-1TD, Toney 9-34, Byars 3-7, Sanders 3-3 ... COWBOYS - Agee 6-54, E. Smith 14-52-1TD, Aikman 2-16, Highsmith 2-8.

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 30-17-183-0-2TDs ... COWBOYS - Aikman 41-22-233-1-1TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Williams 5-74-1TD, Keith Jackson 4-47, Byars 4-24, Toney 2-15-1TD, Barnett 1-14, Sherman 1-9 ... COWBOYS - Novacek 7-105-1TD, Agee 5-36, Martin 4-31, Wright 3-18, Irvin 2-36, Highsmith 1-7.

**Game 8, Sun., Nov 4**  
**Eagles 48, New England 20**  
**Veterans Stadium 65,514**

The Eagles produced their highest offensive output - in terms of both points and yards - since 1981 and had two players rush for over 100 yards for the first time since 1978 in a 48-20 rout of the Patriots. Randall Cunningham (8-124 rushing and 15-24-240-4TDs passing) and RB Heath Sherman (24-113 rushing) sparked an Eagles' offensive attack that generated 514 total yards. The last time Philadelphia posted better numbers was in 1981 when they scored 52 points at St. Louis on Nov. 8, and a week later totaled 574 yards vs. Baltimore at the Vet. Phila. churned out 304 yards on the ground - the team's highest output since Dec. 2, 1951 (307 yards at Wash.). On the day, the Birds scored on 8 of their 10 possessions, including two 80-yd. and four 70-yd. drives and

## GAME 8 (continued)

Cunningham, whose 124 rushing yards were the 5th highest total ever by an NFL QB, became the first NFL signal caller ever to top 100 yards rushing and throw for 4 TDs in the same game. Roger Ruzek's 27-yd. FG gave the Eagles a 3-0 lead and New England tied the score with a 39-yd. FG. However, as was the case after every Patriots' score, the Birds countered with a TD drive of their own. The Eagles' first TD came courtesy of a 37-yd. pass from Cunningham to WR Fred Barnett. The Patriots later closed the gap to 13-10 as Marc Wilson (replacing Steve Grogan who was injured on a sack by FS Wes Hopkins) hit Irving Fryar with a 36-yd. TD pass. The Eagles two-minute offense then covered 80 yards, capping the drive with Cunningham's 37-yd. TD strike to Keith Jackson for a 20-10 at the half. In the 2nd half, Philadelphia continued its offensive dominance, scoring four TDs including 2 on passes by Cunningham and one on a 52-yard TD run by the QB (the longest of his career). Eagles' reserve FB Roger Vick closed the scoring with a 1-yd. TD run after carrying on all 7 plays of a 29-yd. drive.

New England	3	7	3	7	20
Philadelphia	10	10	7	21	48

Phil - Ruzek, FG 27  
 N.E. - Staurovsky, FG 39  
 Phil - Barnett, 37 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 34  
 N.E. - Fryar, 36 pass from Wilson (Staurovsky kick)  
 Phil - Keith Jackson, 37 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Williams, 23 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 N.E. - Staurovsky, FG 44  
 Phil - Keith Jackson, 3 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 N.E. - Cook, 14 pass from Wilson (Staurovsky kick)  
 Phil - Cunningham, 52 run (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Vick, 1 run (Ruzek kick)

	Eagles	Patriots
First Downs	28	16
Net Yards Gained	514	288
Rushes/Yards	43/304	15/41
Net Yards Passing	210	247
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	24/15/0	34/14/1
Times Sacked/Yards	3/30	4/17
Punts/Avg.	2/47.0	5/45.2
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	2/0
Penalties/Yards	7/47	11/75

RUSHING: EAGLES - Cunningham 8-124-1TD, Sherman 24-113, Vick 8-29-1TD, Byars 2-26, Barnett 1-12 ... PATRIOTS - Stephens 12-27, Adams 2-17, Fryar 1-(-3).

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 24-15-240-0-4TDs ... PATRIOTS - Grogan 9-2-31-0-0TDs, Wilson 25-12-233-1-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Keith Jackson 5-72-2TDs, Williams 4-72-1TD, Barnett 3-55-1TD, Sherman 2-31, Byars 1-10 ... PATRIOTS - Fryar 4-115-1TD, Jones 4-79, McMurtry 2-29, Martin 1-18, Adams 1-16, Cook 1-14-1TD, Stephens 1-(-7).

**Game 9, Mon., Nov. 12**  
**Eagles 28, Washington 14**  
**Veterans Stadium, 65,857**

Philadelphia's defense accounted for three of the Eagles' four touchdowns and Heath Sherman ran for

124 yards on a team-record 35 carries as the Birds downed the Redskins 28-14 at Veterans Stadium in a Monday Night Football encounter. The win was the Birds' third straight and put them over the .500 mark for the first time in 1990 at 5-4. In contrast to the first meeting of these two NFC East rivals on Oct. 21 - when the Birds were held without a sack and without a takeaway - Phila. registered 3 sacks and 2 INTs. Offensively, the Eagles' running game rang up 165 yards on 41 carries. Sherman contributed the majority of the damage as he enjoyed his 2nd straight 100-yd. rushing game - marking the first time an Eagles' back topped 100 yards on the ground in two straight games since Wilbert Montgomery did so in 1981. Sherman also tied Steve Van Buren's 41-year old club record for carries in a game with 35. Both the carries and yards (124) topped his previous career highs (22-113) set a week earlier vs. NE. The Eagles scored first as William Frizzell returned an INT of a Jeff Rutledge pass 30 yds. for a TD. The Skins came back quickly, however, after a high snap forced Eagles' punter Jeff Feagles to run and eventually be flagged for intentional grounding. Wash. took over on the Birds' 12 and two plays later Rutledge threw an 8-yd. TD pass to TE Don Warren. Just before the half, the Eagles' drove to the Redskins' 12 with 0:12 to play. The drive ended there, however, when Cunningham was INT'd by Martin Mayhew in the end zone. In the 3rd qtr., the Eagles' defense turned up the heat when Reggie White recorded a sack pinning the Skins at their own 2. After a short punt, the Birds took over on Washington's 33, converted a 4th-and-4 play, and two plays later, Keith Byars found Heath Sherman on a HB option for a 9-yd. TD to give the Birds a 14-7 lead. Later in the quarter, FS Wes Hopkins sacked Rutledge on a blitz, forcing a fumble that Clyde Simmons returned 18 yds. for a TD. The sack knocked Rutledge out of the game (sprained thumb) and brought on Stan Humphries who fared no better as MLB Byron Evans batted his third pass up in the air and White came away with his first career INT. White's 33-yd. return to the Skins' 9 set up Sherman's 2nd TD catch of the game. Wash. added a late TD as rookie RB Brian Mitchell, the Skins' emergency QB (in for Humphries who left the game with a sprained knee), led a scoring drive that he capped with a 1-yd. dive. The win elevated the Birds into a 2nd place tie with Wash. in the NFC East.

Washington	0	7	0	7	14
Philadelphia	7	0	21	0	28

Phil - Frizzell, 30 INT return of Rutledge's pass (Ruzek kick)  
 Wash - Warren, 8 pass from Rutledge (Lohmiller kick)  
 Phil - Sherman, 9 pass from Byars (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Simmons, 18 fumble return (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Sherman, 3 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Wash - Mitchell, 1 run (Lohmiller kick)

	Eagles	Redskins
First Downs	16	13
Net Yards Gained	262	200
Rushes/Yards	41/165	21/50
Net Yards Passing	97	150
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	22/12/1	36/15/2
Times Sacked/Yards	4/44	3/17
Punts/Avg.	6/39.7	7/37.6
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	1/1
Penalties/Yards	11/88	3/22

RUSHING: EAGLES - Sherman 35-124, Cunningham 5-42, McMahon 1-(-1) ... REDSKINS - Byner 11-29, Riggs 6-11, Mitchell 2-11-1TD, Humphries 1-0, Rutledge 1-(-1).

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 20-11-132-1-1TD, Byars 1-1-9-0-1TD, Feagles 1-0-0-0-0TDs ...

REDSKINS - Humphries 11-6-65-1-0TDs, Rutledge 19-6-62-1-1TD, Mitchell 6-3-40-0-0TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Keith Jackson 4-60, Sherman 4-23-2TDs, Barnett 2-34, Byars 2-24 ... REDSKINS - Sanders 5-64, Clark 5-46, Byner 2-25, J. Johnson 1-18, Warren 1-8-1TD, Monk 1-6.

**Game 10, Sun, Nov. 18**  
**Eagles 24, Atlanta 23**  
**Fulton County Stadium 53,755**

The Eagles scored 17 points in the 4th qtr., including a 46-yd. FG by Roger Ruzek with 1:45 remaining to earn a 24-23 victory over the host Atlanta Falcons. The victory enabled the Birds' to stretch their winning streak to 4 games, tying their longest such streak under head coach Buddy Ryan. As was the case in Philadelphia's previous three wins, the Eagles turned up the heat in the second half in order to clinch the victory. Following the opening kickoff, Atlanta marched 72 yards to the Eagles' 3, but the Birds' defense held on 4th down. It marked the first of three times Atlanta would move inside the Eagles' 5, but would come away from those opportunities with just one TD. After a scoreless 1st qtr., the Falcons took a 7-0 lead on Tracy Johnson's 1-yd. TD plunge. Phila. seemingly tied the score, however, on Randall Cunningham's 36-yd. TD pass to WR Fred Barnett, but the play was nullified due to an illegal procedure penalty and the Eagles were forced to punt. Later in the half, the Eagles used the play-action pass to march 80 yards to a score on Cunningham's 1-yd. TD toss to Keith Jackson. Atlanta recaptured the lead at 10-7 with a 53-yd. FG by Greg Davis. In the 3rd qtr. after stretching the lead to 13-7, the Falcons failed to get six points after recovering an Eagles' fumble on the Phila. 35 and settled for a FG and a 16-7 lead. The Eagles' offense then got on track in the 4th qtr. as Cunningham completed a 17-yd. TD strike to Keith Jackson. Then, following an Atlanta fumble, Cunningham hit Williams for a 30-yd. TD to give the Eagles their first lead of the game at 21-16. Atlanta quickly recaptured the lead, however, on QB Chris Miller's TD pass to Andre Rison. Then, late in the qtr., following a poor Atl. punt, the Eagles got the ball at their own 47, and the stage was set for another game-winning drive. The Eagles marched 27 yards with help from a couple of short passes to Keith Byars, and Ruzek booted the game-winning FG.

Philadelphia	0	7	0	17	24
Atlanta	0	10	3	10	23

Atl - Johnson, 1 run (Davis kick)  
 Phil - Keith Jackson, 1 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Atl - Davis, FG 53  
 Atl - Davis, FG 46  
 Atl - Davis, FG 28  
 Phil - Keith Jackson, 17 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Williams, 30 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Atl - Rison, 23 pass from Miller (Davis kick)  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 46

	Eagles	Falcons
First Downs	16	16
Net Yards Gained	279	315
Rushes/Yards	22/88	26/59
Net Yards Passing	191	256
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	27/16/0	41/19/0
Times Sacked/Yards	3/23	2/12
Punts/Avg.	6/44.5	5/40.4
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	2/1
Penalties/Yards	7/42	8/41

RUSHING: EAGLES - Sherman 11-27, Byars 3-26, Williams 1-18, Cunningham 7-17 ... FALCONS - Broussard 10-25, Rozier 7-13, Jones 4-13, Miller 2-5, Johnson 3-3-1TD.

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 27-16-214-0-3TDs ... FALCONS - Miller 38-19-268-0-1TD, Campbell 3-0-0-0TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Byars 7-78, Keith Jackson 4-54-2TDs, Barnett 3-44, Williams 2-38-1TD ... FALCONS - Rison 7-88-1TD, Haynes 3-70, Dixon 3-16, Jones 2-17, Thomas 1-50, Wilkins 1-13, Rozier 1-9, Broussard 1-5.

**Game 11, Sun., Nov 25**  
**Eagles 31, New York 13**  
**Veterans Stadium 66,706**

The Eagles scored 14 points in the 4th qtr. en route to their fifth consecutive win, a 31-13 decision over the previously unbeaten Giants at Veterans Stadium. The five-game winning streak was the longest of the Buddy Ryan era and longest since 1981 when the Birds started the season 6-0. The Eagles' offense established long, ball-controlled drives, dominating the time possession (38:39-21:21). Led by Randall Cunningham and the sure-handed Keith Byars the Birds totaled 405 yds. of offense against a Giants' team that allowed only 231 yds. an outing coming into the game. Aside from winning the statistical battle, the Birds held all-pro LB Lawrence Taylor to one tackle and no sacks, by far his least effective game against Phila. in recent memory for which Ryan credited LT Ron Heller and Ed Anthony Toney. On the other side of the ball, the Eagles' defense scored its third TD in as many games. Giants QB Phil Simms, the league's top rated passer at the time, completed only 17 of 40 passes and threw 2 INTs - doubling his season total. The Birds fumbled on two of their first three possessions, the second one by Byars in Eagles' territory, which led to the game's first score. The Birds responded as Cunningham hit Fred Barnett with a 49-yd. TD pass (it was the first TD pass by a QB to a wide receiver vs. NY in 1990). On their next possession, the Eagles' took a 14-7 lead, marching 80 yds. In 16 plays, capping the drive with Cunningham's 1-yd. TD run. NY scored just before the half on Simms' 4-yd. TD pass to Mark Bavaro. It would be the last time NY would score on the day. Roger Ruzek booted a 39-yd. FG in the 3rd qtr. and Calvin Williams caught a deflected Cunningham pass for a 6-yd. TD and a 24-13 lead. Just 22 seconds later, Seth Joyner batted a Simms' pass in the air which fellow LB Byron Evans INT'd and returned 22 yds. for his first career TD.

Philadelphia	7	7	3	14	31
New York	7	6	0	0	13

NYG - Ingram, 15 pass from Simms (Bahr kick)  
 Phil - Barnett, 49 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Cunningham, 1 run (Ruzek kick)  
 NYG - Bavaro, 4 pass from Simms (kick failed)  
 Phil - Ruzek, FG 39  
 Phil - Williams, 6 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
 Phil - Evans, 22 yard INT return of Simms' pass (Ruzek kick)

	Eagles	Giants
First Downs	22	16
Net Yards Gained	405	327
Rushes/Yards	41/176	14/108
Net Yards Passing	229	219
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	31/17/0	40/17/2

### GAME 11 (continued)

Times Sacked/Yards	1/0	2/15
Punts/Avg.	2/53.5	6/39.5
Fumbles/Lost	2/2	0/0
Penalties/Yards	6/38	8/63

RUSHING: EAGLES - Sherman 21-71, Cunningham 9-66-1TD, Toney 8-28, Byars 3-11 ... GIANTS - Meggett 2-61, Hampton 9-38, Anderson 3-9.

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 31-17-229-0-2TDs ... GIANTS - Simms 40-17-234-2-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Byars 8-128, Williams 4-27-1TD, Barnett 2-54-1TD, Sherman 2-13, Keith Jackson 1-7 ... GIANTS - Baker 3-65, Meggett 3-61, Hampton 3-25, Kyle 2-25, Ingram 2-22-1TD, Bavaro 2-11-1TD.

**Game 12, Sun. Dec. 2**  
**Buffalo 30, Eagles 23**  
**Rich Stadium, 79,320**

Manuel 1-18, Carthon 1-7. Despite trailing 24-0 in the 1st qtr., Philadelphia put together a fierce rally and cut the deficit to 24-23 in the third stanza but fell short, losing to the host Bills, 30-23. The loss snapped an Eagles' five-game winning streak. The Birds yielded 248 total yds. to Buffalo in the 1st qtr. as Bills' QB Jim Kelly led a no-huddle offense and completed his first 6 passes, including strikes of 71, 63, and 56 yds. that were aided by poor tackling in the Eagles' secondary. Most of the 1st qtr. damage came from veteran WR James Lofton who was 3-154, incl. a 63-yd. TD on the second play of the game and a 34-yd. catch that set up a FG. Kelly's 56-yd. TD pass to Andre Reed was followed by a 71-yd. pass to Lofton that set up a 4-yd. TD strike to Thurman Thomas. Behind QB Randall Cunningham, Phila. came back to score the next 23 points. The NFC offensive player of Nov. set up the Birds' first TD with a 51-yd. run that moved him ahead of Tobin Rote into 2nd place on the NFL's all-time rushing ydg. list for QBs. The drive was capped by Cunningham's 7-yd. TD toss to TE Keith Jackson. After a Roger Ruzek FG, the Eagles capped a 16-point 2nd qtr. with a miraculous 95-yd. TD pass play from Cunningham to Fred Barnett - starting at his own 5 yd. line, Cunningham avoided a safety by ducking under the blind-sided rush of Bruce Smith, rolled left, and threw out of the end zone across his body 58 yds. in the wind to Barnett who outleaped a defender and ran the rest of the way to complete the second longest play in club history. Phila. then trimmed the Bills' lead to 24-23 on its first drive of the 2nd half as Cunningham drilled a 1-yd. TD pass to Keith Byars. The TD, however, was the Birds' final score of the day as the Bills' defense stiffened and hurried Cunningham on numerous occasions. On the day, Buffalo recorded 6 sacks while not allowing any, marking only the second time in 1990 that the Eagles' were held sackless. Trailing 30-23, the Birds nearly got the big play they needed when LB Seth Joyner INT'd Kelly near midfield but his attempted lateral was knocked down and recovered by Buf. who chewed 6:13 off the clock before missing a FG with 0:17 remaining.

Philadelphia	0	16	7	0	23
Buffalo	24	0	3	3	30

Buf - Lofton, 63 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick)  
Buf - Norwood, FG 43  
Buf - Reed, 56 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick)  
Buf - Thomas, 4 pass from Kelly (Norwood kick)  
Phil - Keith Jackson, 18 pass from Cunningham (kick failed)  
Phil - Ruzek, FG 32

Phil - Barnett, 95 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
Phil - Byars, 1 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
Buf - Norwood, FG 21  
Buf - Norwood, FG 45

	Eagles	Bills
First Downs	19	13
Net Yards Gained	357	393
Rushes/Yards	31/176	25/59
Net Yards Passing	181	334
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	25/15/1	32/19/1
Times Sacked/Yards	6/50	0/0
Punts/Avg.	6/36.5	5/45.2
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	0/0
Penalties/Yards	10/65	6/57

RUSHING: EAGLES - Cunningham 7-71, Sherman 11-70, Toney 7-18, Byars 4-13, Feagles 1-3, Sanders 1-1 ... BILLS - Thomas 21-53, Kelly 1-3, Mueller 1-2, Davis 2-1.

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 25-15-231-1-3TDs ... BILLS - Kelly 32-19-334-1-3TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Keith Jackson 6-64-1TD, Byars 5-39-1TD, Barnett 2-112-1TD, Williams 1-13, Sherman 1-3 ... BILLS - Reed 7-95-1TD, Lofton 5-174-1TD, Thomas 2-39-1TD, Davis 2-8, Mueller 1-11, McKeller 1-4, Metzgers 1-3.

**Game 13, Sun. Dec. 9**  
**Miami 23, Eagles 20 (OT)**  
**Joe Robbie Stadium 67,034**

In their first regular season visit to Joe Robbie Stadium, the Eagles relinquished the 10 point 4th qtr. lead and fell 23-20 as Pete Stoyanovich's 39-yd. FG with 2:28 remaining in OT gave the Dolphins the win. For the second straight week, an Eagles' opponent scored on their first two possessions as Miami jumped out to an early 10-0 lead courtesy of Dan Marino's 28-yd. TD pass to Tony Martin and a 24-yd. FG. As they did a week earlier at Buffalo, the Eagles' took control in the 2nd and 3rd qtrs., scoring 20 unanswered points. Again, QB Randall Cunningham led the way with his passing and a team-high 94 yds. rushing. Meanwhile, the Eagles' defense surged hauling Miami until late in the final qtr. On the night, the Eagles held Miami to 54 rushing yds. and forced Marino to attempt 54 passes - the most ever against the Birds - while sacking him twice and applying frequent pressure. The Eagles capped their first scoring drive with Cunningham's 3-yd. TD toss RB Keith Byars. RB Heath Sherman, who had 48 yds. rushing on the drive and was 11-72 rushing in the 1st half (incl. a 36-yd.), was forced to sit out the entire 2nd half due to back spasms. Following two Roger Ruzek FGs, the Eagles stretched their lead to 20-10 in the 4th qtr. on Cunningham's 45-yd. TD pass to Calvin Williams on a flea-flicker. Miami's offense, which had been held scoreless since their second possession of the game, got back on track with Marino's 6-yd. TD pass to Mark Duper that cut the Birds' lead to 3 pts with 5:10 remaining. Phila. was then unable to run out the clock and Miami took possession with 1:49 left at its own 12. Marino moved the Dolphins to midfield and on 4th-and-10 hit Duper for 12 yds. With 0:07 remaining, a pass interference penalty on Ben Smith cost the Birds 21 yds. and set up a 34-yd. FG that forced overtime. Phila. won the coin toss and moved to the Miami 40 before having to punt. The Eagles got the ball back but when forced to punt again, a bad snap helped give Miami possession at its own 43. From there, two straight completions of 12 and 14 yds. set up Stoyanovich's game-winning kick.

Philadelphia	0	10	3	7	0	20
Miami	10	0	0	10	3	23

Mia - Martin, 28 pass from Marino  
Phil - Stoyanovich, FG 24  
Phil - Byars, 3 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
Phil - Ruzek, FG 53  
Phil - Ruzek, FG 33  
Phil - Williams, 45 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
Mia - Duper, 6 pass from Marino  
Mia - Stoyanovich, FG 34  
Mia - Stoyanovich, FG 39

	Eagles	Dolphins
First Downs	21	26
Net Yards Gained	434	405
Rushes/Yards	47/257	15/54
Net Yards Passing	177	351
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	29/18/1	54/27/0
Times Sacked/Yards	2/21	2/14
Punts/Avg.	6/42.5	7/33.3
Fumbles/Lost	2/1	4/1
Penalties/Yards	9/76	1/5

RUSHING: EAGLES - Cunningham 12-94, Sanders 18-87, Sherman 11-72, Toney 2-4, Byars 3-10, Feagles 1-0 ... DOLPHINS - Smith 9-39, Stradford 2-11, Logan 2-3, Marino 2-1.

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 29-18-198-1-2TDs ... DOLPHINS - Marino 54-27-365-0-2TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Keith Jackson 6-60, Byars 6-42-1TD, Williams 2-56-1TD, Sherman 2-23, Barnett 1-10, Toney 1-7 ... DOLPHINS - Duper 8-94-1TD, Stradford 4-65, Jensen 4-45, Martin 3-54-1TD, Edmunds 2-50, Pruitt 2-32, Schwedes 2-12, Logan 1-11, Limbrick 1-2.

**Game 14, Sun. Dec. 16**  
**Eagles 31, Green Bay 0**  
**Veterans Stadium 65,627**

The Eagles earned a 31-0 victory over Green Bay and, in the process, their first shutout since Nov. 23, 1989. The victory, coupled with losses by New Orleans and Minnesota, clinched a Wild Card spot for the Eagles as they advanced to post-season play for the third consecutive year. The Birds' defense allowed only 158 total yds., their lowest total since 12/4/80 vs. St. Louis, and sacked Packer QBs Anthony Dilweg and Blair Kiel 5 times. The defensive line, led by DE Reggie White and Clyde Simmons (1.5 sacks each) put constant pressure on Dilweg (who left in the 1st half with an injured arch) and Kiel, forcing them into a combined 14-33-141-0TDs (42.4%). The Birds' offense, which rang up 422 total yds., opened the scoring with RB Keith Byars' option pass to Anthony Toney for a TD. Then, after Rod Harris' 30-yd. punt return, Roger Ruzek's 34-yd. FG made it a 10-0 lead. The Birds took a 17-0 lead into the half on QB Randall Cunningham's 12-yd. TD pass to Byars. Following a scoreless 3rd qtr., Mike Bellamy recovered a fumbled fair catch attempt by GB's Jeff Query. One play later, Cunningham made a highlight film gem, capping his 17-yd. TD punt by hurdling a defender into the end zone for a 23-0 lead. The Birds finished the scoring as backup QB Jim McMahon orchestrated a 64-yd. drive which culminated in Thomas Sanders' 2-yd. TD plunge. The 31-0 final score gave the Eagles their first home shutout in since 12/20/81 vs. St. Louis (28-0).

Green Bay	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia	7	10	0	14	31

Phil - Byars, 8 pass from Toney (Ruzek kick)  
Phil - Ruzek, FG 34  
Phil - Byars, 12 pass from Cunningham (Ruzek kick)  
Phil - Cunningham, 17 run (Ruzek kick)  
Phil - Sanders, 2 run (Ruzek kick)

	Eagles	Packers
First Downs	23	10
Net Yards Gained	422	158
Rushes/Yards	36/173	17/55
Net Yards Passing	249	103
Passes/Comp/Had Int.	29/15/0	33/14/1
Times Sacked/Yards	1/8	5/38
Punts/Avg.	5/35.8	9/35.5
Fumbles/Lost	1/0	2/1
Penalties/Yards	3/17	6/40

RUSHING: EAGLES - Sanders 17-66-1TD, Cunningham 4-56-1TD, Vick 4-24, Toney 9-19, Byars 1-6, Williams 1-2 ... PACKERS - Haddix 7-31, Query 1-18, Thompson 6-9, Kiel 1-4, Woodside 1-0, Fontenot 1-(-7).

PASSING: EAGLES - Cunningham 27-13-241-0-1TD, Byars 1-1-8-0-1TD, McMahon 1-1-8-0-0TDs ... PACKERS - Dilweg 15-6-74-0-0TDs, Kiel 18-8-67-1-0TDs.

RECEIVING: EAGLES - Barnett 5-108, Keith Jackson 3-67, Shuler 2-30, Byars 2-26-1TD, Williams 1-10, Sanders 1-8, Toney 1-8-1TD ... PACKERS - Query 4-41, Woodside 4-21, Sharpe 2-25, Fontenot 2-20, Weathers 1-15, Kemp 1-9.

**Game 15, Sun., Dec. 23**  
**Eagles 17, Dallas 3**  
**Veterans Stadium 63,895**

Philadelphia continued its defensive dominance, holding opponents without a touchdown for the second straight week en route to a 17-3 victory over the visiting Cowboys. In the process, the Eagles' defense scored its fourth TD of 1990 when LCB Eric Allen returned a 4th qtr. INT off Babe Laufenberg 35 yds. for his first pro TD. The victory, coupled with Washington's loss at Indianapolis, moved the Eagles into the driver's seat for the top NFC Wild Card spot and a home playoff game. While the Eagles' offense was not fully in sync, the defense certainly was. Ranked #1 in the NFL vs. the run, Phila. held Dallas and star rookie RB Emmitt Smith to 74 rushing yds. DE Clyde Simmons' 1st qtr. hit on Troy Aikman knocked the Cowboys' QB out of the game with a separated shoulder, forcing backup Laufenberg into action against a pass rush that was bolstered by the return of DT Mike Pitts after a 12-game absence (knee injury). Laufenberg completed only 36% (13-36) of his passes and threw 4 INTs - the most collected by the Birds since week 6 of '89 at Phx. Allen grabbed two errant Dallas passes; Ben Smith picked one off in the end zone, and William Frizzell INT'd one at the Eagles' 3 - Frizzell and Terry Hoage started at the safety positions while Andre Waters (back) and Wes Hopkins (calf) rested. Offensively, the Birds struggled, collecting more rushing yds. than passing as Randall Cunningham was held without a TD pass for the first time in 13 games. The only offensive scoring came in the 1st half on an 18-yd. TD pass from Keith Byars to Calvin Williams and a Roger Ruzek FG. For Byars, it was his fourth TD pass of 1990 in as many attempts (and his second in two weeks).

Dallas	0	3	0	0	3
Philadelphia	7	3	0	7	17

