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## 1997 Convention Report

# Mile High feeling

### POWER POLL

The TFL Power Poll will make its debut after the week 4 games. The formula for ranking teams (total points - high score - low score X 2 divided by total games played - 2) requires at least four games be played to get a true representation of how strong each team is.

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Special thanks to Marley's Michele Fetsko for securing a great rate at the Denver Marriott and Denver's Mike Taylor for playing host to an outstanding convention.

## TFL owners leave Denver eager for success in 1997

**By Scoop Bias**  
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DENVER — Stop me if this sounds familiar.

■ The Baltimore Barons win a game in which they score less than 30 points.

■ The Willow Weasels lose a game in which they score more than 48 points.

■ Narcoossee owner Wit Tuttell is left eating bananas after yet another loss to arch-rival Bagdad.

True, all three of those items came straight from the script of the 1996 TFL season.

And they also happened on the opening week of the 1997 season.

Barons owner Steve Katz led his team to a 29-27 victory over Sarasota. The Barons won five games a year ago when they scored 32 or fewer points. Baltimore ended up with its best record ever.

As lucky as Katz was, Willow owner Van Williams was just as unlucky. The Weasels led the league last season in points scored against, and lost numerous games in which they scored

in the forties.

That streak carried over into 1997 when Willow lost 51-49 to Casey Brogan's Dutch Harbor Dawgs.

And in the Banana War to end all Banana Wars, the Bagdad Newts were somehow able to return to fantasy football long enough this summer to defeat Narcoossee, 70-41. It was the Newts third straight victory over Tuttell's team, after the Grape Apes had won the first five games between the rivals.

Those were the highlights of the first week of the season which began with the third annual TFL Convention in Denver.

Most amazing, it was the first convention in which the police were not called to arrest a TFL owner.

At the first convention in Orlando, police pounded on the hotel door during the draft looking for Sarasota owner Charles Coggins.

And a year ago, Dutch Harbor owner Casey Brogan was arrested after making passes at a man wearing a dress on Bourbon

Street. Both men were later released.

Highlights of the Denver meeting were:

■ A Friday night game at Coors Field, where the Rockies rallied for two runs in the bottom of the ninth to beat the Mariners. Katz said, "Coors Field is the best ballpark in the world, much better than that crappy old warehouse in Baltimore."

■ Bagdad's Lacy beating Mike "Speed" Taylor deep for a touchdown in the third annual TFL Touch Classic football game. The new sleek Lacy had bragged he would take Taylor deep, and to the shock of all who saw it, he did.

■ Dugway's Ken Sain coming as a relief pitcher in the first Whiffleball game, and holding a team of Lacy, Tuttell and Katz to no runs. Sain struck out Lacy four times.

The entire group going to Mile High Stadium to kick off the season by watching the Chiefs and Broncos play.

"It was fun," Sain said.

## WEEK 1 STANDINGS

Barbarino Division	Record			Points for			Points against				
	W	L	T	Tot.	High	Low	Avg.	Tot.	High	Low	Avg.
Bagdad Red-Bellied Newts	1	0	0	70	70	70	70.0	41	41	41	41.0
Denver Pyles	1	0	0	45	45	45	45.0	38	38	38	38.0
Dugway Experiments	1	0	0	37	37	37	37.0	24	24	24	24.0
Alaska Oosiks	0	1	0	38	38	38	38.0	45	45	45	45.0
Sarasota Sharks	0	1	0	27	27	27	27.0	29	29	29	29.0

Kotter Division	Record			Points for			Points against				
	W	L	T	Tot.	High	Low	Avg.	Tot.	High	Low	Avg.
East Hartford Ex-Eskimos	1	0	0	49	49	49	49.0	39	39	39	39.0
Limerick Laughing Loons	0	1	0	49	49	49	49.0	64	64	64	64.0
Anchorage Kitchen	0	1	0	49	39	39	39.0	49	49	49	49.0
Flint Bison	0	1	0	24	24	24	24.0	37	37	37	37.0

Horshack Division	Record			Points for			Points against				
	W	L	T	Tot.	High	Low	Avg.	Tot.	High	Low	Avg.
Marley Wailers	1	0	0	64	64	64	64.0	49	49	49	49.0
Dutch Harbor Dawgs	1	0	0	51	51	51	51.0	49	49	49	49.0
Baltimore Barons	1	0	0	29	29	29	29.0	27	27	27	27.0
Willow Weasels	0	1	0	49	49	49	49.0	51	51	51	51.0
Narcoossee Nose Apes	0	1	0	41	41	41	41.0	70	70	70	70.0

## WEEK 1 RESULTS

<b>Denver</b> 45	<b>Alaska</b> 38	<b>Willow</b> 49	<b>Dutch Harbor</b> 51
Marino 0	Bledsoe 28	Aikman 15	McNair 6
Davis 9	Warren 1	E. Smith 15	B. Sanders 0
Phillips 22	Hearst 2	Dunn 0	Levins 10
Sharpe 0	Martin 0	Carter 8	Irvin 17
Kennison 2	J. Reed 0	Alexander 2	Galloway 0
Stover 9	Hanson 4	Carney 14	Longwell 12
Denver 3	Tampa Bay 3	Kansas City 2	Green Bay 6
<b>Baltimore</b> 29	<b>Sarasota</b> 27	<b>Dugway</b> 37	<b>Flint</b> 24
Favre 14	Blake 9	Elway 0	K. Stewart 6
Murrell 4	J.Anderson 6	E. George 15	Faulk 2
Allen 0	T.Thomas 1	Means 7	Abdul-Jabbar 7
Freeman 0	Bruce 0	R. Smith 3	Rice 0
Morton 0	Sanders 7	Emanuel 2	K. Johnson 1
Vinatieri 11	Pelfrey 4	Cunningham 15	M. Andersen 5
Baltimore 0	Oakland 0	Cincinnati 0	Dallas 3
<b>Marley</b> 64	<b>Limerick</b> 49	<b>Bagdad</b> 70	<b>Narcoossee</b> 41
Testaverde 24	J. George 23	Humphries 6	Young 0
Bettis 1	Watters 9	K. Carter 14	Kaufman 0
Barber 8	A.Johnson 4	L. Smith 0	R. Smith 14
Fryar 0	Glenn 7	Pickens 11	Moore 15
M.Jackson 16	McCardell 2	T. Brown 29	Walls 6
Elam 15	Blanchard 4	Del Greco 10	Kasay 6
San Francisco 0	Buffalo 0	Tennessee 0	Pittsburgh 0
<b>Anchorage</b> 39	<b>East Hartford</b> 49	<b>Week 2 schedule</b>	
B.Johnson 12	Mitchell 12	Sarasota at Denver	
Martin 2	Bates 0	Limerick at Baltimore	
Centers 6	T. Allen 16	East Hartford at Marley	
Brooks 7	J. Smith 15	Dutch Harbor at Anchorage	
Harrison 0	McDuffie 0	Flint at Willow	
Boniol 6	G.Anderson 6	Narcoossee at Dugway	
Minnesota 6	Carolina 0	Alaska at Bagdad	

## TRANSACTIONS

**Sept. 6, 1997**  
 East Hartford places RB Terry Allen on the I.R., adds RB Stephen Davis.  
 East Hartford waives RB Mario Bates, adds RB Kimble Anders.

**Sept. 5, 1997**  
 Limerick waives K Scott Sisson; adds K Michael Husted.

**Sept. 4, 1997**  
 Marley places WR Mark Chmura on I.R., adds WR Lesley Shepard.

**Sept. 3, 1997**  
 Flint places QB Kerry Collins and WR Jerry Rice on I.R., adds QB Rob Johnson and WR Jermaine Lewis.  
 Limerick waives RB Eric Metcalf, adds RB Leland McElroy.

**Sept. 2, 1997**  
 Dugway trades the Jacksonville defense to Narcoossee for the New England defense.  
 Alaska places QB John Friesz on I.R., adds QB Warren Moon.  
 Dugway waives RB Bam Morris, adds RB Raymont Harris.

**Aug. 26, 1997**  
 Marley trades drafting positions with Denver for all rounds. Denver now drafts in the No. 3 position, East Hartford in the No. 14.

**July 14, 1997**  
 East Hartford trades drafting positions with Dugway for all rounds. Dugway now drafts in the No. 7 position, East Hartford in the No. 12.

## CURRENT ROSTERS

### Alaska

QB Drew Bledsoe  
 QB John Friesz  
 RB Chris Warren  
 RB Garrison Hearst  
 RB Corey Dillon  
 WR Tony Martin  
 WR Jake Reed  
 WR Vincent Brisby  
 K Jason Hanson  
 K Mike Hollis  
 D Tampa Bay  
 D Miami



### Marley

QB Vinny Testaverde  
 QB Gus Frerotte  
 RB Jerome Bettis  
 RB Tiki Barber  
 RB Ernest Byner  
 WR Michael Jackson  
 WR Irving Fryar  
 WR Mark Chmura  
 K Jason Elam  
 K Olindo Mare  
 D San Francisco  
 D Philadelphia

### Anchorage

QB Brad Johnson  
 QB Ty Detmer  
 RB Curtis Martin  
 RB Larry Centers  
 RB Greg Hill  
 WR Robert Brooks  
 WR Marvin Harrison  
 WR Andre Rison  
 K Chris Boniol  
 K Jeff Wilkins  
 D Minnesota  
 D St. Louis

### Denver

QB Dan Marino  
 QB Erik Kramer  
 RB Terrell Davis  
 RB Tim Biakabutka  
 RB Lawrence Phillips  
 WR Shannon Sharpe  
 WR Eddie Kennison  
 WR Derrick Mayes  
 K Matt Stover  
 K Chris Jacke  
 D Denver  
 D New Orleans

### East Hartford

QB Scott Mitchell  
 QB Neil O'Donnell  
 RB Terry Allen  
 RB Rashaan Salaam  
 RB Mario Bates  
 WR Jimmy Smith  
 WR O.J. McDuffie  
 WR Mushin Muhammad  
 K Gary Anderson  
 K John Hall  
 D Carolina  
 D Seattle

### Narcoossee

QB Steve Young  
 QB Elvis Grbac  
 RB Napoleon Kaufman  
 RB Robert Smith  
 RB Leon Johnson  
 WR Herman Moore  
 WR Wesley Walls  
 WR Charles Johnson  
 K John Kasay  
 K Scott Blanton  
 D Pittsburgh  
 D New England

### Bagdad

QB Stan Humphries  
 QB Tony Banks  
 RB Ki-Jana Carter  
 RB Errict Rhett  
 RB Lamar Smith  
 WR Carl Pickens  
 WR Tim Brown  
 WR Anthony Miller  
 K Al Del Greco  
 K Steve Christie  
 D Tennessee  
 D N.Y. Giants

### Dugway

QB John Elway  
 QB Chris Chandler  
 RB Eddie George  
 RB Natrone Means  
 RB Bam Morris  
 WR Rod Smith  
 WR Brett Perriman  
 WR Bert Emanuel  
 K Richie Cunningham  
 K Greg Davis  
 D Cincinnati  
 D Jacksonville

### Flint

QB Kordell Stewart  
 QB Kerry Collins  
 RB Karim Abdul-Jabbar  
 RB Marshall Faulk  
 RB James Stewart  
 WR Jerry Rice  
 WR Keyshawn Johnson  
 WR Ben Coates  
 K Morten Andersen  
 K Pete Stoyanovich  
 D Dallas  
 D Detroit

### Sarasota

QB Jeff Blake  
 QB Jim Harbaugh  
 RB Jamal Anderson<  
 RB Troy Davis  
 RB Thurman Thomas  
 WR Isaac Bruce  
 WR Chris Sanders  
 WR Michael Westbrook  
 K Doug Pelfrey  
 K Brett Conway  
 D Oakland  
 D Washington

### Baltimore

QB Brett Favre  
 QB Trent Dilfer  
 RB Adrian Murrell  
 RB Mike Alstott  
 RB Marcus Allen  
 WR Antonio Freeman  
 WR Johnnie Morton  
 WR Terrell Owens  
 K Adam Vinatieri  
 K Cole Ford  
 D Baltimore  
 D Chicago

### Dutch Harbor

QB Steve McNair  
 QB Dave Brown  
 RB Barry Sanders  
 RB Dorsey Levens  
 RB Gary Brown  
 WR Michael Irvin  
 WR Joey Galloway  
 WR Bobby Engram  
 K Ryan Longwell  
 K Todd Peterson  
 D Green Bay  
 D N.Y. Jets

### Limerick

QB Jeff George  
 QB Todd Collins  
 RB Ricky Watters  
 RB Anthony Johnson  
 RB Eric Metcalf  
 WR Terry Glenn  
 WR Keenan McCardell  
 WR Andre Reed  
 K Cary Blanchard  
 K Scott Sisson  
 D Buffalo  
 D Indianapolis

### Willow

QB Mark Brunell  
 QB Troy Aikman  
 RB Emmitt Smith  
 RB Warrick Dunn  
 RB Antowain Smith  
 WR Cris Carter  
 WR Derrick Alexander<  
 WR J.J. Stokes  
 K John Carney  
 K Jeff Jaeger  
 D Kansas City  
 D Arizona

## 1997 DRAFT ORDER

### First Round

1. Brett Favre, Baltimore
2. Emmitt Smith, Willow
3. Terrell Davis, Denver
4. Jeff Blake, Sarasota
5. Barry Sanders, D.Harbor
6. Drew Bledsoe, Alaska
7. John Elway, Dugway
8. Carl Pickens, Bagdad
9. Curtis Martin, Anch.
10. Jerry Rice, Flint
11. Ricky Watters, Lim.
12. Terry Allen, E.Hart.
13. Steve Young, Narc.
14. Vinny Testaverde, Mar.

### Second Round

15. Jerome Bettis, Mar.
16. Herman Moore, Narc.
17. Scott Mitchell, E.Hart.
18. Jeff George, Lim.
19. K.Abdul-Jabbar, Flint
20. Brad Johnson, Anch.
21. Tim Brown, Bagdad
22. Eddie George, Dugway
23. Tony Martin, Alaska
24. Michael Irvin, D.Harbor
25. Jamal Anderson, Sar.
26. Shannon Sharpe, Den.
27. Cris Carter, Willow
28. Antonio Freeman, Balt.

### Third Round

29. Adrian Murrell, Balt.
30. Mark Brunell, Willow
31. Dan Marino, Denver
32. Isaac Bruce, Sarasota
33. D. Levins, D.Harbor
34. Chris Warren, Alaska
35. Natrone Means, Dug.
36. Ki-Jana Carter, Bagdad
37. Robert Brooks, Anch.
38. Marshall Faulk, Flint
39. Terry Glenn, Lim.
40. Jimmy Smith, E.Hart.
41. Nap Kaufman, Narc.
42. M. Jackson, Mar.

### Fourth Round

43. Irving Fryar, Mar.
44. Robert Smith, Narc.
45. R. Salaam, E.Hart.
46. A. Johnson, Lim.
47. K. Johnson, Flint
48. Marvin Harrison, Anch.
49. Errict Rhett, Bagdad
50. Rod Smith, Dugway
51. G. Hearst, Alaska
52. J. Galloway, D.Harbor
53. Troy Davis, Sar.
54. Eddie Kennison, Den.
55. Mike Alstott, Willow
56. Derrick Alexander, Balt.

### Fifth Round

57. Marcus Allen, Baltimore
58. Warrick Dunn, Willow
59. Tim Biakabutka, Denver
60. Chris Sanders, Sar.
61. Gary Brown, D.Harbor
62. Jake Reed, Alaska
63. Brett Perriman, Dugway
64. Stan Humphries, Bag.
65. Larry Centers, Anch.
66. Kordell Stewart, Flint
67. K. McCardell, Lim.
68. O.J. McDuffie, E.Hart.
69. John Kasay, Narc.
70. Jason Elam, Mar.

### Sixth Round

71. Tiki Barber, Mar.
72. Elvis Grbac, Narc.
73. Neil O'Donnell, E.Hart.
74. Cary Blanchard, Lim.
75. Ben Coates, Flint
76. Greg Hill, Anch.
77. Tony Banks, Bagdad
78. Bert Emanuel, Dugway
79. John Friesz, Alaska
80. Steve McNair, D.Harbor
81. Thurman Thomas, Sar.
82. Derrick Mayes, Den.
83. Troy Aikman, Willow
84. Johnnie Morton, Balt.

### Seventh Round

85. Adam Vinatieri, Balt.
86. Antowain Smith, Willow
87. Lawrence Phillips, Den.
88. Doug Pelfrey, Sarasota
89. B. Engram, D.Harbor
90. Jason Hanson, Alaska
91. Chris Chandler, Dug.
92. Al Del Greco, Bagdad
93. Ty Detmer, Anch.
94. James Stewart, Flint
95. Eric Metcalf, Lim.
96. Gary Anderson, E.Hart.
97. Wesley Walls, Narc.
98. Mark Chmura, Mar.

### Eighth Round

99. Gus Frerotte, Mar.
100. Charles Johnson, Narc.
101. M. Muhammad, E.Hart.
102. Andre Reed, Lim.
103. Kerry Collins, Flint
104. Andre Rison, Anch.
105. Anthony Miller, Bag.
106. Bam Morris, Dugway
107. Corey Dillon, Alaska
108. Dave Brown, D.Harbor
109. Jim Harbaugh, Sar.
110. Erik Kramer, Den.
111. John Carney, Willow
112. Terrell Owens, Balt.

### Ninth Round

113. Trent Dilfer, Baltimore
114. J.J. Stokes, Willow
115. Matt Stover, Denver
116. Brett Conway, Sar.
117. Green Bay, D.Harbor
118. Mike Hollis, Alaska
119. Ri. Cunningham, Dug.
120. Tennessee, Bagdad
121. Chris Boniol, Anch.
122. M. Andersen, Flint
123. Todd Collins, Lim.
124. Mario Bates, E.Hart.
125. Leon Johnson, Narc.
126. Ernest Byner, Mar.

### Tenth Round

127. San Francisco, Mar.
128. Pittsburgh, Narc.
129. Carolina, E.Hart.
130. Buffalo, Lim.
131. Dallas, Flint
132. Jeff Wilkins, Anch.
133. Lamar Smith, Bagdad
134. Greg Davis, Dugway
135. Vincent Brisby, Alaska
136. R. Longwell, D.Harbor
137. M. Westbrook, Sar.
138. Chris Jacke, Den.
139. Jeff Jaeger, Willow
140. Baltimore, Balt.

### Eleventh Round

141. Cole Ford, Baltimore
142. Kansas City, Willow
143. Denver, Denver
144. Oakland, Sarasota
145. T. Peterson, D.Harbor
146. Tampa Bay, Alaska
147. Cincinnati, Dugway
148. Steve Christie, Bag.
149. Minnesota, Anch.
150. P. Stoyanovich, Flint
151. Scott Sisson, Lim.
152. John Hall, E.Hart.
153. Scott Blanton, Narc.
154. Philadelphia, Mar.

### Twelfth Round

155. Olindo Mare, Mar.
156. New England, Narc.
157. Seattle, E.Hart.
158. Indianapolis, Lim.
159. Detroit, Flint
160. St. Louis, Anch.
161. N.Y. Giants, Bagdad
162. Jacksonville, Dugway
163. Miami, Alaska
164. N.Y. Jets, D.Harbor
165. Washington, Sar.
166. New Orleans, Den.
167. Arizona, Willow
168. Chicago, Balt.

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