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WHAT TO LOOK FOR SUNDAY:

- ▶ The Packers bid for their 10th consecutive Green Bay win against Detroit, including their 16-12 playoff victory in 1994, when they held Barry Sanders to minus-1 yards. The Lions' last win at Lambeau Field was 1991.
- ▶ **Ahman Green** needs one reception for 200 in a Packers uniform; he would become the 17th player in team history to eclipse 100, and just the fifth back.
- ▶ **Bubba Franks** figures to play in his 50th career game. Paul Coffman, arguably the best tight end in Packers history, through 50 games had 105 catches for 1,302 yards and seven touchdowns. Franks has 127 catches for 1,145 yards and 17 TDs through 49 games.

SUNDAY CHART WATCH:

- ▶ **Brett Favre** needs 10 completions to surpass No. 4 Fran Tarkenton (3,686) on the NFL's all-time list. Favre enters Sunday with 3,677 completions.
- ▶ By starting Sunday's game, **Favre** will surpass former Jets T Winston Hill (174 straight, 1963-76) to extend his consecutive-starts streak to the 10th longest on record. Favre's streak, at 174 entering Sunday, became the longest ever by a QB in 1999 and the longest among active players in 2002.
- ▶ **Favre** (151 at Lambeau) also needs four touchdown passes to tie Dan Marino for the second most ever by a single quarterback at a single stadium. Marino threw 155 at Joe Robbie/Pro Player Stadium. John Elway holds the record, 180 at Mile High Stadium.
- ▶ **Franks** needs one TD reception to surpass No. 3 Mark Chmura (17) on the Packers' all-time tight ends list. Ed West (25) and Paul Coffman (39) are next up.
- ▶ **Green** needs 6 yards to surpass No. 5 Clarke Hinkle (3,860) and 83 to surpass No. 4 Dorsey Levens (3,937). No. 3 Tony Canadeo (4,197) and No. 2 John Brockington (5,024) are also vulnerable this year. Green enters Sunday with 3,855 yards in Green Bay. At his current rate, he would break Jim Taylor's franchise record (8,207) in '06.

TENTH ANNIVERSARY: This season marks 10 years since Brett Favre's first playoff game, after the 1993 season.

- ▶ Favre pulled off one of the most spectacular plays in team history in the NFC Wild Card playoff at Detroit, Jan. 8, 1994...With the Packers trailing 24-21 in the final minute of play, he scrambled out of the pocket to his left, found an "unguarded" Sharpe in the open and unleashed an across-the-body throw from extreme left to extreme right; Sharpe ran under the football in the end zone with 55 seconds left and the Packers shortly became 28-24 winners.
- ▶ The quarterback had thrown two earlier TD passes to Sharpe (a 12-yarder in the second quarter and a 28-yarder in the third period) while completing 15 of 26 passes for 204 yards overall.

UNFAMILIAR TERRITORY: The Packers find themselves below ".500" for the first time since they were 6-7 entering Week 15 of the 2000 season.

- ▶ The team's 35 straight weeks at .500 or better was the fourth longest in the NFL, and among the longest in team history.
- ▶ In fact, three of the league's top four streaks ended Sunday, including No. 1 Miami (97) and No. 2 Oakland (49), with respective losses to Houston and Tennessee.
- ▶ Denver now owns the longest stretch, 44 weeks.

TURNOVER RATIO: The Packers own a negative turnover ratio (minus-2) for the first time in one year, since they were

also minus-2 entering Week 3 of the 2002 season. The team tied for the league lead, with Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay, last year, posting a plus-17 margin.

THE EARLIER THE BETTER: Even after Sunday's loss, the Packers are still 14-2 at home under Mike Sherman in early Sunday kickoffs.

Former Green Bay coaches vs. Packers, 1997-2002

Head Coach, Team	W	L	Pct	in Green Bay
Mike Holmgren, Sea	1	0	1.000	Head coach, 1992-98
Dick Jauron, ChiB	2	6	.333	Def. backs coach, 1986-94
*Steve Mariucci, SF	1	6	.143	Quarterbacks coach, 1992-95
Jon Gruden, Oak-TB	1	1	.000	Receivers coach, 1992-94
Andy Reid, Phi	0	1	.000	TE/offensive line asst., 1992-96; QB, 1997-98
Tom Coughlin, Jax	0	2	.000	Receivers coach, 1986-87
Marty Mornhinweg, Det	0	4	.000	Off. assistant/quality control, 1995; QB, 1996
Totals	5	20	.200	*—includes playoffs

DRIVEN BY DETROIT: Several Packers players have enjoyed some of their best days against Detroit.

- ▶ **Favre** has 39 career touchdowns vs. the Lions, the seventh-most by any NFL quarterback against a single team. He needs three to tie Dan Marino (New England) for sixth on the list.
- ▶ **Green** has rushed for more yards (496) against the Lions than any other opponent. His total includes a career-long 83-yard touchdown run in the 2001 season opener, also at Lambeau.
- ▶ **Najeh Davenport** enjoyed his best rookie-season performance on Sept. 22 at Detroit last year. He established early career highs with 22 carries, 84 yards, a 43-yard run, his only career touchdown to date, four receptions and 31 receiving yards.
- ▶ Another rookie in that Sept. 22, 2002, game, **Marques Anderson**, returned an interception 78 yards for a touchdown in his NFL debut.
- ▶ **Franks** in that contest, Ford Field's inaugural game, established career highs with nine catches, 62 yards and a 31-yard reception.

HOME EARLY AND OFTEN: The Packers and Redskins are the NFL's only teams playing four of their first six contests at home.

FIRST BLOOD: Under Mike Sherman, the Packers are 21-3 when scoring first.

- ▶ Until Nov. 24, 2002, when Green Bay delivered the first

Most touchdown passes, vs. one team

TD	Quarterback	Opp	Years
72	Dan Marino, Mia.	NYJ	1983-99
54	Dan Marino, Mia.	Ind/BalC	1983-99
50	Dan Marino, Mia.	Buf	1983-99
44	Brett Favre, GB	ChiB	1992-2002
43	John Hadl, SD-LARm-GB-HouO	Den	1962-77
42	Dan Marino, Mia.	NE	1983-99
39	Brett Favre, GB	Det	1992-2002
38	Joe Montana, SF-KC	Atl	1979-94

Favre's touchdown passes vs. other teams: Tampa Bay 34, Minnesota 33, Carolina 15, Dallas 11, Philadelphia 10, St. Louis/L.A. Rams 10, Buffalo 8, San Francisco 8, Atlanta 7, New England 7, New Orleans 7, Cincinnati 6, Cleveland 6, N.Y. Giants 6, San Diego 6, Tennessee/Houston Titans/Oilers 6, Baltimore 5, Denver 5, Indianapolis 5, Jacksonville 5, Miami 5, Oakland/L.A. Raiders 5, Seattle 5, N.Y. Jets 4, Pittsburgh 4, Arizona 3, Kansas City 3, Washington 3, Houston Texans 0.

Two years after he co-founded the Packers with Curly Lambeau, George Calhoun began writing a piece called *The Dope Sheet*, which served as the official press release and game program from 1921-24. Honoring Calhoun, the first publicity director, the Packers are running this weekly feature in their release.

Best home records, 10-year stretch, NFL/AFL history

Oakland1967-76	Oakland Coliseum	60	8	2	.871
Green Bay .1993-2002	Lambeau F., County S.	69	11	0	.863
Green Bay .1994-2003	Lambeau Field, County S.	63	10	0	.863
Oakland1968-77	Oakland Coliseum	59	9	2	.857
Green Bay . . .1923-32	Bellevue Park, City S.	51	6	6	.857
Green Bay . . .1924-33	Bellevue Park, City S., Borchert F.	50	6	6	.855
Pittsburgh . .1971-80	Three Rivers S.	63	11	0	.851
Green Bay . . .1922-31	Hagemeister Pk., Bellevue Pk., City S.	50	7	6	.841
Pittsburgh . .1972-81	Three Rivers S.	63	12	0	.840
Green Bay .1992-2001	Lambeau F., Milwaukee County S.	68	13	0	.840
Dallas1972-81	Texas S.	62	12	0	.838

volley in a loss at Tampa Bay, the Packers had won 17 straight when scoring first.

- ▶ The club still owns a 14-game home winning streak, which began after a Lambeau loss to the Jets in Sherman's head coaching debut, Sept. 3, 2000.
- ▶ Since 1992 with the game's first points, the Packers are 75-24 overall and 50-5 in Wisconsin.

LEADING AT HALF: At Lambeau, the last time Green Bay lost a game it led at the half was Dec. 12, 1999, to Carolina. Under Sherman, the Packers are 15-0 in Green Bay in such instances. Overall under Sherman, they're 23-2, and had won 17 straight until a 2002 loss at Tampa Bay.

LONGWELL APPROACHING 200: Ryan Longwell enters Sunday's game with a chance to further establish himself as one of the most accurate kickers in the NFL. Most field goals in first 200 career attempts among active kickers:

Mike Hollis, NYG (IR)	164
Adam Vinatieri, NE	162
Jason Hanson, Det.	161

Approaching 200	FG	FGA
Olindo Mare, Mia.	160	192
Ryan Longwell, GB	160	197
Doug Brien, NYJ	157	195

NOTABLE CONNECTIONS

▶ **NFL ties:** Lions head coach Steve Mariucci (1992-95) is one of five current head coaches who spent time previously on a Green Bay staff (also Mike Holmgren, Dick Jauron, Jon Gruden, Andy Reid, and Mike Sherman)...Detroit offensive coordinator Sherman Lewis spent eight years as a Green Bay assistant...Two current Packers assistants (Sylvester Croom and Frank Novak) spent time previously on the Lions' staff...Detroit assistants Chuck Priefer and Johnny Holland previously spent time on the Packers staff...Detroit assistant George Dyer and Green Bay assistant Ed Donatell were both on Denver's coaching staff when the team won back-to-back Super Bowls in 1998 and 1999...Detroit's Ty Detmer is one of 10 former Brett Favre backups who've gone on to start an NFL game...Bill Schroeder, Donte Curry, and Corey Harris have all had stints in the Green Bay organization.

▶ **College teammates:** Az-Zahir Hakim (Lions) and Kabeer Gbaja-Biamila (Packers) at San Diego State...Stockar McDougale (Lions) and Torrance Marshall (Packers) at Oklahoma...John Owens (Lions), Tony Fisher (Packers) and Brennan Curtin (Packers) at Notre Dame...Cory Schlesinger (Lions) and Ahman Green at Nebraska...Dominic Raiola (Lions) and Erwin Swiney (Packers) at Nebraska...Bracy Walker (Detroit) and William Henderson (Packers) at North Carolina...Corry Redding (Lions) and Marcus Wilkins (Packers) at Texas...Eric Beverly (Lions), Bubba Franks (Packers) and Nick Luchey (Packers) at

Miami... Shawn Bryson (Lions), David Martin (Packers) and Chad Clifton (Packers) at Tennessee; the three were all members of the 1998 National Championship team.

▶ **Other connections:** Green Bay's Gilbert Brown, a Detroit native and current resident, starred at the city's MacKenzie High School in the late 1980s...Schroeder is a product of a Wisconsin college (UW-LaCrosse)...Packers coaches Stan Drayton (Eastern Michigan), Novak (Northern Michigan) and Ray Sherman (Michigan State) have spent portions of their careers at Michigan schools.

PRESEASON HEADLINES: After rookies and free agents reported July 18, the Packers held their first full-squad workouts July 22...First-round draft pick Nick Barnett, anxiously awaiting his contract, covertly watched the first rookie practice July 19 from a parking lot before signing soon after...Eric Crouch went on the reserve/retired list July 22...Returning from season-ending injuries, Mark Tauscher and Chad Clifton unexpectedly went full speed in the first full-squad workouts, July 22...After working out all off-season at the University of Kansas, Packers icon Gilbert Brown rejoined the team July 28...A kidney stone hospitalized FB William Henderson July 28, but couldn't keep him out of practice July 29...In the preseason opener, the annual Hall of Fame Game in Canton, officials cancelled the contest in the third quarter because of lightning and heavy rains. In 1980, weather also ended a Packers-Chargers contest in Canton. The two are the only known games cancelled by weather in Green Bay history...The team agreed to terms with five-time Pro Bowl TE Wesley Walls Aug. 4...The Packers lost two key players indefinitely at Atlanta, Aug. 9: Brown and CB Bryant Westbrook...About 15 minutes after arriving at the Cleveland Renaissance Hotel, Aug. 14, the Packers along with several million other people were stripped of their electricity. However, because the hotel cooked with gas, it was able to feed the team its full meal, albeit by candlelight. City public service workers restored electricity at 1:15 a.m. Mike Sherman saw a silver lining, saying the bonding experience brought the team closer together...However, one unidentified player, after learning his room would be without air conditioning, asked if the hotel had fans.Several offensive starters, including Donald Driver, Tauscher and Clifton, returned to game action Aug. 15 at Cleveland...Brown, jeopardizing his long-term health, opted to forgo surgery and returned to practice with a torn biceps, Aug. 20; he started vs. Carolina, Aug. 23...In the Aug. 28 finale, against the Titans at Lambeau Field, heavy rain and lightning suspended play with 2:05 left in the first half. Then, after a two-hour, 33-minute "rain delay," the teams finished their contest, with no commercial breaks and no halftime intermission. From kickoff to the final gun, the game lasted five hours, 41 minutes. Previously, the longest recorded time of game in Packers history was a 4:09 overtime tilt, Oct. 11, 1987 at Lambeau (a 19-16 loss to Detroit with replacement players).

ANOTHER RECEIVER NEARS HUTSON: Oakland's Tim Brown (98) needs one TD to tie Don Hutson (99) for fourth on the league's all-time list.

Don Hutson's 1942 season, compared to best individual seasons, modern era

Receiver, Club	Season Totals.....						Per-Game Averages.....		
	Year	G	Rec	Yds	Avg	TD	Rec	Yds	TD
Don Hutson, GB	1942	11	74	1,211	16.4	17	6.73	110.09	1.55
Art Monk, Was.	1984	16	106	1,372	12.9	7	6.63	85.75	0.44
Mark Clayton, Mia.	1984	15	73	1,389	19.0	18	4.87	92.60	1.20
Jerry Rice, SF	1986	16	86	1,570	18.3	15	5.38	98.13	0.94
Jerry Rice, SF	1987	12	65	1,078	16.6	22	5.42	89.83	1.83
Jerry Rice, SF	1989	16	82	1,483	18.1	17	5.13	92.69	1.06
Sterling Sharpe, GB	1992	16	108	1,461	13.5	13	6.75	91.31	0.81
Sterling Sharpe, GB	1993	16	112	1,274	11.4	11	7.00	79.63	0.69
Cris Carter, Min.	1994	16	122	1,256	10.3	7	7.63	78.50	0.44
Sterling Sharpe, GB	1994	16	94	1,119	11.9	18	5.88	69.94	1.13
Cris Carter, Min.	1995	16	122	1,371	11.2	17	7.63	85.69	1.06
Herman Moore, Det.	1995	16	123	1,686	13.7	14	7.69	105.38	0.88
Isaac Bruce, StLR	1995	16	119	1,781	15.0	13	7.44	111.31	0.81
Jerry Rice, SF	1995	16	122	1,848	15.1	15	7.63	115.50	0.94
Randy Moss, Min.	2000	16	77	1,437	18.7	15.0	4.81	89.81	0.94
Marvin Harrison, Ind.	2002	16	143	1,722	12.0	11	8.94	107.63	0.69