
Phins 1st pick

Posted by cszjr - 2008/04/12 10:32

I watched Friday's edition of NFL Path to the Draft on the NFL network. The subject was the upcoming draft.

They had one talking head who predicted the top ten picks. He put the Dolphins taking Jake Long, the OT at Michigan. The other talking heads agreed and someone stated that Parcels was already in contract negotiations with him. No one challenged the claim.

No one even thought that Matt Ryan would be going to the Phins.

from what I saw last year, Miami needs to work on its O-line. So I think its a great move.

Looks like Glen Dorsey will go 2 or 3, despite his injuries. Most agreed he wouldn't make it past the 5th pick.

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Posted by craigocarson - 2008/04/12 11:10

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Posted by snoscythe - 2008/04/12 14:55

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Posted by CougarPeasant - 2008/04/12 15:54

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I saw clips of Long from Michigan on ESPN when they were breaking the story. The guy looks like a great player who could dominate his side of the line for years to come.

I've always liked Parcels as a coach and thought he had an eye for talent without going for prima donnas. I hope he can do for Beck what he's done for the other successful QBs he's coached over the years.

For Beck's sake, I really hope they get Long on the Oline this season.

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Posted by raidingtombs - 2008/04/13 02:01

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Posted by GolfDiveNCougs - 2008/04/13 05:27

Parcells is no idiot, and even an idiot knows that Peyton Manning is the suckiest quarterback in the NFL if Airwolf, HawaiiPipeline, Shoesnew, me, and my 11-month-old son are his Offensive Line. And you can quote me on that one.

'Cuz last year, the Phin's line had just as well have been. Couple that little problem with the fact that the receiving corps dropped the ball so often you'd have thought they were trying to catch anvils, and it's pretty easy to see that Parcells has no idea what kind of quarterback John Beck is yet (well, he knows the kid's perfectly capable of spending quality time on his back, considering the porous O-Line and no one to throw to). I'm betting that John's work ethic alone has already won him the benefit of the doubt in Parcells' eyes.

Put another way, on a team that went, say 11-5, you could make a case that the quarterback is to blame for those 5 losses. If that team went 1-15, it's PRETTY OBVIOUS that the quarterback's not your problem.

Quarterback is the LEAST of the Tuna's worries right now. And he's playing his cards right, looking to shore-up his lines, enabling the quarterback(s) that he has to actually do their job before getting creamed. Considering the facelift the Dolphins need all over the place, I'd be quite surprised (and disappointed in their organizational intellect) if they were to take a quarterback before LATE in the draft, if at all.

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I think the feeling is that this qb class has a ton of potential but no sure fire hall of famers; Less than a year ago Brian Brohm was the consensus #1 NFL pick, and now he's not considered a 1st rounder, so go figure. My guess is that there will be more qbs taken in this draft in the 1st 4 rounds than any draft ever, however 1-2 taken in the 1st round maximum.

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Re:Phins 1st pick

Posted by Mars - 2008/04/13 14:01

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Posted by cszjr - 2008/04/13 16:12

1 qb in the first round is all that is projected. I don't think there are that many good ones. Ryan seems to be touted as a sure thing, but he is the only one.

Chris Long (Howie Long's son) is a d lineman out of Virginia. He is projected to be a 2nd or 3rd pick. I don't think he'll last past the 5th pick. He's quick and strong. But Jake will go first, then Chris probably will go second.

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Re:Phins 1st pick

Posted by Conosticator - 2008/04/13 17:30

Mars wrote:

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Yup, Kinda Long and Really Long...

I worked for a small company back in the late 80's that had to deal with three software developers all with the first name of "Ed".

The old timer we just called "Ed". The two newbies got nicknames, "Special Ed" and "Remedial Ed". :lol:

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Re:Phins 1st pick

Posted by Sage - 2008/04/13 21:42

Karma! that one got me.

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