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## Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by NorCalBlue - 2008/05/09 14:56

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by Beaveroug - 2008/05/09 15:10

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Their draft pick from Hawaii last year is Mormon. Reagan Mauia (I think). He is more famous for the youtube video of him running through a wall though.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by Slugger - 2008/05/09 15:21

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by TimO - 2008/05/09 16:30

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my brother and I bought eagles Ty Detmer Jersey's when he was there, one of my fav. games was when Ty started for the Eagles against Young and the 9'ers.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by mormonrasta - 2008/05/10 09:16

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While I love to see BYU players do well in the NFL, I will continue to cheer for the team in most need of missionary work- the Dallas Cowboys. Make it rain Pac Man!!!! Go Cowboys!

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by a1247 - 2008/05/10 10:48

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I'll stick with my beloved Steelers who have there cougar connection in Chris Hoke and Brett Keisel.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by NorCalBlue - 2008/05/12 15:17

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Are any of the older Cougs in contract years?

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom

Posted by gordito - 2008/05/12 15:21

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Hawaii's Samson Satele and Davone Bess are the other two.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by PP3 - 2008/05/13 08:56

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I also have tendency to root for whichever NFL team has the most/ highest profile BYU players. which my explain why my interest in the NFL had been waning, but Miami now has my attention; Although, I do expect there to be more competition for my allegience in the coming years if you know what I mean.;

There are no teams that I owe my allegience to due to geographical reasons. I was allied with the Niners during the Steve Young era, but lost interest due to several of their personel moves, ultimately when they completely wasted the #1 pick in the draft on Alex Smith they completely fell by the wayside, talk about a bone headed move. Philadelphia was there for a while, but not so much any more.

Also receiving Kudos:

Green Bay (Brady Poppinga)

Pittsburgh (already mentioned)

New York Giants (for obvious reasons)

and until recently Indianapolis with Rob Morris, (probably one of my favorite all time BYU players.)I can understand why the Colts let him go, but it does still cut the tie.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by NorCalBlue - 2008/05/13 16:12

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Did Rob Morris get picked up elsewhere?

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by PP3 - 2008/05/14 13:12

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Just when you thought it was safe to let go of the Eagles:

[http://www.philly.com/philly/sports/homepage/20080514\\_Eagles\\_add\\_three\\_rookie\\_free\\_agents.html](http://www.philly.com/philly/sports/homepage/20080514_Eagles_add_three_rookie_free_agents.html)

Nothing too exciting, but maybe he will suprise.

P.S. I don't know what Morris is up to.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by treck - 2008/05/14 13:20

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I don't think Rob Morris has been picked up...or even will be. He had a lot of injuries during his years with the Colts. Damaged goods. That is too bad, I loved that guy...and still have one of those wooden 'Freight Train' whistles that they gave out at LES during his senior year. :blink:

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Yeah, me too! Now it's one of my sons' favorite toys when combined with a train conductor hat. It was kinda corny but mostly cool to have the whole stadium blowing those wooden whistles. Fun season.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by buzzard - 2008/05/14 17:19

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I seem to remember a post a while back where Bronco talked-I believe in a fireside-about a current NFL player who came to him for advice on whether to hang it up because his heart wasn't in it anymore. He did not give the players name, but the board consencus was that it was Morris.

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## Re:Miami the new Philadelphia? Mormon footballdom?

Posted by NorCalBlue - 2008/05/14 17:29

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No I think that was Doug Jolley :)

