



BUFFALO BILLS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS HARD ROCK STADIUM Oct. 23, 2016 | 1 P.M.

POSTGAME QUOTES

Buffalo Bills Head Coach Rex Ryan (transcribed by Frank Brill)

(Opening Statement) – “Obviously, we got out-played, we got out-coached, we got out-everything’d. They were a more physical team today, there’s no doubt about that. They controlled the game and that’s why they won the game.”

(The decision to play RB LeSean McCoy, was that just your call? How much say did he have in it and what’s his status?) – “We never play a guy that our doctors and our trainers don’t clear, so he’s cleared to play and we thought he was fine. He left the game with some soreness in the hamstring and that’s why he never returned.”

(How could RB LeSean McCoy have been 100 percent? He certainly didn’t look it. How do you not know that?) – “Well, I don’t know that he wasn’t 100 percent. That’s what I was told and that’s why we played him.”

(What did you see today? Do you think RB LeSean McCoy was 100 percent now after seeing what happened today?) – “I guess we’ll look at the tape. Obviously it was tough sledding on everybody, but we’re not going to jeopardize a player. If we’re told that a player is not ready to go and not healthy, he’s not going to be out there, regardless of who it is.”

(What happened to your run defense today? Why did RB Jay Ajayi just run all over you?) – “He did, there’s no doubt about it. He ran hard. We had the numbers to our advantage, the kid made some good runs, ran through some tackles and they did a great job up front.”

(Usually your defense will make adjustments, but RB Jay Ajayi pounded you all day. There wasn’t anything you guys were doing to stop him.) – “Well we tried everything, believe me. We were trying base defense. We were trying everything, putting our base defense against three-wides. We were trying a bunch of different things. We were up for suggestions, I can promise you. We were trying everything.”

(The stretch play seemed to be the one that they relied on the most, what was RB Jay Ajayi doing, just running the cutback lanes really well?) – “They did a good job, he did a great job bouncing and cutting it back. It’s not like we were surprised by any of the runs, they just did a much better job of executing than we did.”





BUFFALO BILLS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS HARD ROCK STADIUM Oct. 23, 2016 | 1 P.M.

POSTGAME QUOTES

(How surprising was it that your offensive line, after being pretty dominant these last two weeks, today couldn't get any push at all?) – "It was just one of those games. We got out-physicaled on both sides of the ball which is rare for us but it happened."

(How about the hit on S Aaron Williams by Dolphins WR Jarvis Landry, just your thoughts on that) – "I never saw it. I don't know. I know he didn't come back; he's still undergoing observation for a head and neck injury so I don't know. I hope it wasn't cheap. That Landry, I have a ton of respect for that kid. I wouldn't think he would do that, so I hope that wasn't the case."

(Is S Aaron Williams still at the stadium, or is he at the hospital, is there any status on that?) – "I have no idea."

(After WR Marquise Goodwin's touchdown, it was crazy but it actually seemed to turn the game in their favor. They jumped right there and took it right away from you. After that touchdown and they go right down, did you start feeling that this kind of worked the opposite way for us?) – "No, obviously I was elated with the touchdown but they ran two long second down, second-and-whatever goal runs against us. That can't happen. We had them at a second-and-8 and they pound the ball in there for a touchdown. It's hard to explain but the kid (Jay Ajayi), the guy did a great job. He was running through a lot of tackles, that's for sure. He did a great job."

(I know it's in a loss but the special teams really kept you in this thing, actually put you up on the scoreboard. Can you comment on their overall play today? They seem to be doing every part of their game pretty well.) – "Well that's the only phase that we won, clearly. We got beat in the other two phases. Sometimes if you're fortunate, the special teams can carry the day; but we didn't contribute on defense or offense for that matter."

(There were a lot extra-curriculars after the play, especially in the second half, especially after S Aaron Williams went out. Was that a spillover of what guys might have thought of the hit on the field?) – "I thought our guys held their composure pretty well. I think we were fouled for one of them. I'm not sure. I think we had one penalty unsportsmanlike and they had a number of them, I understand that; but I thought our guys were holding their poise."

(The soreness you described with 'Shady' [RB LeSean McCoy], is that something that you would call an aggravation on the injury? Is that something that concerns you?) – "I have no idea. I barely ran into the trainers to get the information for you and that was it."





BUFFALO BILLS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS HARD ROCK STADIUM

Oct. 23, 2016 | 1 P.M.

POSTGAME QUOTES

(Are there other injuries?) – “Other injuries, we mentioned Aaron (Williams) and then (Marquise) Goodwin is in the concussion protocol.”

(On a hamstring, how much of it is the trainers and doctors taking the players word for it?) – “They do the MRIs, they do all kinds of stuff. There are all kinds of tests that they do to check on strength and again, I never played Marcell Dareus. Why? Because he wasn’t deemed ready to play. So he’s wanting to play also.”

(Was there some discussion this morning, pregame status on RB LeSean McCoy, seeing how he felt? What happened this morning regarding RB LeSean McCoy before you activated him?) – “Like I said, we felt he was capable of playing and that’s why we played him.”

(You’ve been very resilient this year but at some point, does not having your top two receivers and not having NT Marcell Dareus start to catch up to you?) – “It’s not an ideal situation but we have no excuses. We played poorly, they played really well and they deserved to win. It will be nice to get those guys back, hopefully next week we’ll have them back; but whoever’s out there has got to do a great job. We have to play much better than we did today.”

(DE Shaq Lawson, you seemed to rotate him in on passing downs. What did you see from him even though he didn’t get a ton of work today?) – “We were trying to put him in there on some third downs. That was really it – let him get his feet wet. I really couldn’t tell you how he played. We’ll see the tape.”

