## BIG DAY FOR BUSH AND TANNEHILL IN BLOWOUT WIN



The Dolphins have finally gotten the monkey off their back early in the 2012 season. An offseason full of questions, a winless preseason and an opening day loss at the Texans have made fans very anxious to see something good come from the Dolphins. Today the team delivered to their fans as the Dolphins routed the Oakland Raiders 35-13 to pull to .500 after two weeks of play. Five offensive touchdowns and a stingy defense led the way to the Dolphins first home opening victory since the 2005 season.

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The Dolphins kicked off the scoring on the day as they took the ball 80 yards in 12 plays on the opening drive that was capped by a two yard touchdown run by rookie quarterback Ryan Tannehill. The Dolphins offense would pretty much stall for the remainder of the first half and they actually entered halftime trailing the Raiders 10-7.

Head coach Joe Philbin must have delivered a hell of a halftime speech as the Dolphins just rolled over the Raiders in the second half. The offense just continued to offer knock out blows as they scored an impressive 28 points in the second half. Reggie Bush took control of the game with a highlight 23 yard touchdown run and than added 65 yard touchdown run later in the 3rd quarter. Bush finished the day with a career high 26 carries for 172 yards rushing and two rushing touchdowns. He also added three receptions for 25 yards. Bush wasn't the only running back to have an impressive day, rookie Lamar Miller making his first NFL appearance, rushed for 65 yards on 10 carries and one touchdown. As a team, the Dolphins rushed the ball for an impressive 263 yards.

Tannehill shook off his forgettable performance against the Texans last week to finish today 18 of 30 for 200 yards and one touchdown pass to tight end Anthony Fasano, in addition to his first quarter touchdown run.

Safety Reshard Jones concluded the day late in the fourth quarter with an interception of Raider's quarterback Carson Palmer. The Dolphins were able to run out the clock on the final possession of the game.

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The Dolphins are now 1-1, and will host the New York Jets next week at Sun Life Stadium. A Jets team that was playing a late afternoon game against the Steelers in Pittsburgh. Should the Jets lose to the Steelers today, the Dolphins will enter week three in a four way tie for first place in the AFC East. The Dolphins will have a chance next week at home to attempt to take control of the division early in the season.

Enjoy the win Dolfans!

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