

WILDCARD WEEKEND, KITTIES PRAYERS WELCOME

bmaz and I are both frantically busy today, but I wanted to put *something* up where we can start trashing. So here are my thoughts:

Rayduhs at Texans: It's kind of funny how you can have a playoff game with no real QBs, what with Derek Carr out and Osweiler still a bust. Matt McGlowin will back up MSU's Connor Cook in his first start, against a finally playing up to talent Texans D. I think the Raiders win this because Amari Cooper and Michael Crabtree and Oakland's O line will make Cook look reasonably good.

Kitties at Squawks: I'd love to be wrong, but the Kitties are not going to beat the Squawks. Sure, Earl Thomas is missing for Seattle, but so is Theo Riddick for Detroit (and possibly DeAndre Levy, who will be necessary for containing Wilson. Ultimately, this comes down to playoff experience, and the Squawks know how to win.

Fins at Stillers: The Fins want to go to Heinz Field and beat Big Ben's offense when it's clicking, and without Tannehill to boot? Nuh uh.

Gents at Cheese: This one is tough, in part because I sentimentally want to see Tom Brady face the Gents in another Super Bowl so he can finally exorcise his last demon. The Tundra will be cold, the QBs will be hot. If Good Eli shows up, though, I think the Giants win this, as their D is a playing really tough right now.