



**NO. 16 OREGON DUCKS (2-1)**

**Aug. 31:** No. 16. Auburn 27 Oregon 21,

**Sept. 7:** Oregon 77, Nevada 6

**Sept. 14:** Oregon 35, Montana 3

**Saturday at Stanford,** 4 p.m. (ESPN)

**Oct. 5 vs. No. 23 California,** TBA

**Oct. 11 vs. Colorado,** 7 p.m.

**Oct. 19 at No. 22 Washington,** TBA

**Oct. 26 vs. No. 19 Washington State,** TBA

**Nov. 2 at vs. No. 24 Southern Cal,** TBA

**Nov. 16 vs. Arizona,** TBA

**Nov. 23 at No. 24 Arizona State,** TBA

**Nov. 30 vs. Oregon State,** TBA



**OREGON STATE BEAVERS (1-2)**

**Aug. 30:** Oklahoma State 52, Oregon State 36

**Sept. 7:** Hawaii 31, Oregon State 28

**Sept 14:** Oregon State 45, Cal Poly 7

**Sept. 28 vs. Stanford,** 4 p.m. (PAC12)

**Oct. 5 at UCLA,** TBA

**Oct. 12 vs. No. 10 Utah,** TBA

**Oct. 19 at California,** TBA

**Nov. 2 at Arizona,** TBA

**Nov. 8 vs. No. 23 Washington,** 7:30 p.m. (FS1)

**Nov. 16 vs. No. 24 Arizona State,** TBA

**Nov. 23 at No. 19 Washington State,** TBA

**Nov. 30 at No.16 Oregon,** TBA

**AP TOP 25 SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY**

**No. 1** Clemson vs. Charlotte, 4:30 p.m.

**No. 2** Alabama vs. Southern Miss., Noon

**No. 3** Georgia vs. No. 7 Notre Dame, 5 p.m.

**No. 4** LSU at Vanderbilt, 10 a.m.

**No. 6** Ohio State vs. Miami (Ohio), 12:30 p.m.

**No. 8** Auburn at No. 17 Texas A&M, 12:30 p.m.

**No. 9** Florida vs. Tennessee, Noon

**No. 11** Michigan at No. 13 Wisconsin, Noon

**No. 12** Texas vs. Oklahoma State, 4:30 p.m.

**No. 15** UCF at Pittsburgh, 12:30 p.m.

**No. 16** Oregon at Stanford, 4 p.m.

**No. 19** Washington State vs. UCLA, 7:30 p.m.

**No. 21** Virginia vs. Old Dominion, 4 p.m.

**No. 22** Washington at BYU, 12:30 p.m.

**No. 23** California at Mississippi, Noon

**No. 24** Arizona State vs. Colorado, 7 p.m.

**No. 25** TCU vs. SMU, 12:30 p.m.

**FAR WEST SCHEDULE**

**SATURDAY**

E. Washington (1-2) at Idaho (1-2), 12 p.m.

Monmouth (NJ) (2-1) at Montana (2-1), 12 p.m.

Norfolk State (1-2) at Montana State (2-1), 12 p.m.

South Dakota (0-3) at N. Colorado (0-3), 1 p.m.

New Mexico State (0-3) at New Mexico (1-1), 1:30 p.m.

Harvard (0-0) at San Diego (0-2), 2 p.m.

Eastern Oregon (0-0) at Portland State (1-2), 2:05 p.m.

Sacramento State (2-1) at Fresno State (0-2), 7 p.m.

Toledo (1-1) at Colorado State (1-2), 7:15 p.m.

Utah State (1-1) at San Diego State (3-0), 7:30 p.m.

Cent. Arkansas (3-0) at Hawaii (2-1), 8:59 p.m.

**FOOTBALL PREVIEW**



**WOUNDED SAINTS FACE UNBEATEN SEAHAWKS**

Gene J. Puskar/AP Photo

Seattle Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson scrambles past Pittsburgh Steelers defensive end Cameron Heyward during the second half in Pittsburgh Sept. 15. The Seahawks won 28-26.

**In 13 seasons in charge, New Orleans coach Payton has always had one constant by his side**

By **TIM BOOTH**  
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**S**EATTLE — In his 13 seasons in charge New Orleans coach Sean Payton has always had one constant by his side.

Nearly every game. Nearly every snap. It's almost always been Drew Brees on the other end of the receiver, listening to what Payton is saying, and for the most part tormenting opponents.

And now Brees is gone for an undetermined time after surgery to repair an injured ligament near his right thumb. It's a test Payton's never faced, being without Brees for an extended period. It begins on Sunday when the Saints face fellow NFC contender Seattle.

Brees' injury comes in what was supposed to be a redemptive season for the Saints, with Super Bowl expectations that could put to rest the anguish of missing the title game a year ago, victimized by an officiating non-call. And for now, there is no panic among the Saints.

"That's the thing. Drew's down, we all know that. But we've still got the same coaching staff. We've got the same guys calling plays, especially like you said, Sean," New Orleans running back Alvin Kamara said. "I don't feel like Sean's down. He's ready for the challenge."

Brees has failed to start just three games since he and Payton arrived together in 2006. Not surprisingly, the Saints are 0-3 in those games, although two of those came in Week 17 with nothing at stake for New Orleans. Which is why this injury and this absence is so significant. It will be Teddy Bridgewater's team — with some Taysom Hill sprinkled in — for the next six games before the Saints' bye and likely any consideration of Brees' return.

"The job for us as coaches is to put a plan in place that gives our players the best chance to win," Payton said. "I don't know if any one person has to change or step up but, by in large the group I think does."

One person not expecting any sort of drop off is Seattle coach Pete Carroll, in part because of his admiration for the job Payton has done.

"After a few years coaching, you look forward to these kinds of matchups. It's one that we've been looking toward through the offseason," Carroll said. "I have great respect for what he's done. He's a fantastic coach and I like that he's sculpted and then re-sculpted his team a couple times over the years and you can see the difference."

**Oregon seeks to win 1st Pac-12 opener since 2014 against nemesis Stanford**

**Line:** Oregon by 10½.  
**Series record:** Stanford leads 49-32-1.

**WHAT'S AT STAKE?**

Oregon looks to win its Pac-12 opener for first time since 2014, with a game against nemesis Stanford. The Cardinal are trying to avoid their first three-game losing streak since 2008 in Jim Harbaugh's second season as coach. Stanford is 5-0 after dropping two in a row under coach David Shaw.

**KEY MATCHUP**

Oregon front seven vs. Stanford offensive line. The Ducks have a strong defense that hasn't allowed a TD in back-to-back games in the same season since 1972. Freshman OLB Mase Funa is making a big impact with three sacks and five tackles for loss and goes against an injury-depleted line missing star left tackle Walker Little and probably guard Dylan Powell.

**PLAYERS TO WATCH**  
Oregon: QB Justin Herbert. He



Chris Pietsch/AP Photo

**Oregon's Justin Herbert looks down field against Montana on Sept. 14.**

enters conference play with two impressive streaks. He has thrown at least one TD pass in 31 straight games and has gone 150 attempts without an interception, both the longest active

**TEDDY'S TEAM**

Bridgewater started Week 17 last year, but his last meaningful starts came during the 2015 season before suffering a catastrophic knee injury that sidelined him for the better part of two seasons and derailed his career. Bridgewater was 17 of 30 for 165 yards after taking over for Brees last week against the Rams.

"It's nothing like being out there during the games when it counts the most," Bridgewater said. "Not saying the preseason doesn't count. I'd never take the game for granted. But just to go out there and compete at the high level is what that means."

**THE OTHER QB**

It's worth mentioning how good Russell Wilson has been to start the season. He's completing 78 percent of his passes, has five touchdowns and no interceptions, and last week had his ninth career game of at least 300 yards and three touchdowns.

**SURGING FRONT**

The Saints' pass rush has produced nine sacks through two games, including three by reserve defensive end Trey Hendrickson, who seems to have made a big jump in his third season. He had two sacks as a rookie and none last season when he was a healthy scratch a number of games. For now, though, he has one more sack than 2017 first-team All-Pro Cam Jordan and two more than 2018 first-round draft choice Marcus Davenport. New Orleans' front has been productive so far without help from 2016 first-rounder Sheldon Rankins, who is close to returning from an Achilles tendon tear last January.

The Saints will be facing a Seattle offensive line that has underperformed so far and gave up four sacks last week to Pittsburgh.

**CHANGING CONSIDERATIONS**

How will the Saints use Hill? They've had the luxury of exposing him to heavy contact on special teams, as a tight end and as a change-of-pace, read-option QB because they had Bridgewater as a more conventional backup in the event of a Brees injury. If Bridgewater starts, Hill likely would be the primary backup, which could conceivably prompt Payton to dial back Hill's role as a utility player.

**PERFECT AT HOME**

Seattle is always really good at home: It has been exceptional in the first month of the season under Carroll. Seattle is 15-0 in September home games since Carroll took over in 2010. The Seahawks are the only unbeaten team in September during that time frame.

streaks in the FBS. Herbert also has just one INT over his last 298 passes in Pac-12 road games.  
Stanford: RB Cameron Scarlett. He has been a workhorse back with 51 carries for 224 yards the first three weeks. He also has 10 catches for 88 yards.

**FACTS & FIGURES**

Stanford has won three straight in the series since 1995-97. A win would give the Cardinal their longest streak over Oregon since five-gamer from 1973-77. ... Oregon has outscored opponents 70-12 in the first half this season. ... The Ducks haven't allowed a TD on 27 consecutive drives and haven't allowed a first-half TD all season. ... Oregon leads the nation with 13 players having scored TDs. ... Ducks LB Troy Dye leads all Power 5 players with 334 career tackles and has 18 games with at least 10. ... Stanford is 51-8 at home this decade, the best mark in the Pac-12. ... WR Connor Wedington leads Stanford with 328 all-purpose yards.

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**SEATTLE SEAHAWKS (2-0)**

**Sept. 8:** Seattle 21, Cincinnati 20

**Sept. 15:** Seattle 28, Pittsburgh 26

**Sunday vs. New Orleans,** 1:25 p.m. (CBS)

**Sept. 29 at Arizona,** 1:05 p.m. (FOX)

**Oct. 3 vs. Los Angeles Rams,** 5:20 p.m. (FOX/NFLN/Amazon)

**Oct. 13 at Cleveland,** 10 a.m. (FOX)

**Oct. 20 vs. Baltimore,** 1:25 p.m. (FOX)

**Oct. 27 at Atlanta,** 10 a.m. (FOX)

**Nov. 3 vs. Tampa Bay,** 1:05 p.m. (FOX)

**Nov. 11 at San Francisco,** 5:15 p.m. (ESPN)

**Nov. 17** BYE

**Nov. 24 at Philadelphia,** 5:20 p.m. (NBC)

**Dec. 2 vs. Minnesota,** 5:15 p.m. (ESPN)

**Dec. 8 at Los Angeles Rams,** 5:20 p.m. (NBC)

**Dec. 15 at Carolina,** 10 a.m. (FOX)

**Dec. 22 vs. Arizona,** 1:25 p.m. (FOX)

**Dec. 29 vs. San Francisco,** 1:25 p.m. (FOX)

**SAINTS-SEAHAWKS CAPSULE**

**OPENING LINE** — Seahawks by 3

**RECORD VS. SPREAD** — New Orleans 0-2; Seattle 1-1

**SERIES RECORD** — Seattle leads 8-7

**LAST MEETING** — Saints beat Seahawks 25-20, Oct. 30, 2016

**LAST WEEK** — Saints lost to Rams, 27-9; Seahawks beat Steelers 28-26

**AP PRO32 RANKING** — Saints No. 10, Seahawks No. 6.

**SAINTS OFFENSE** — OVERALL (10), RUSH (17), PASS (13T).

**SAINTS DEFENSE** — OVERALL (24), RUSH (27), PASS (17).

**SEAHAWKS OFFENSE** — OVERALL (24), RUSH (14), PASS (23).

**SEAHAWKS DEFENSE** — OVERALL (16), RUSH (4), PASS (26).

**STREAKS, STATS AND NOTES** — Seahawks have won past three meetings played in Seattle, two coming in playoffs. ... Saints stayed on West Coast and practiced in Seattle following last week's loss to Rams. ... Saints without QB Drew Brees following thumb surgery. Teddy Bridgewater expected to start. Coach Sean Payton says Taysom Hill could play QB as well. ... Seahawks 2-0 for first time since 2013 season. ... Seahawks 15-0 in September home games under Pete Carroll.

**NFL STANDINGS**

AMERICAN CONFERENCE						
EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	2	0	0	1.000	76	3
Buffalo	2	0	0	1.000	45	30
N.Y. Jets	0	2	0	.000	19	40
Miami	0	2	0	.000	10	102

SOUTH						
HOUSTON	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Houston	1	1	0	.500	41	42
Indianapolis	1	1	0	.500	43	47
Jacksonville	1	2	0	.333	58	60
Tennessee	1	2	0	.333	67	52

NORTH						
BALTIMORE	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	82	27
Cleveland	1	1	0	.500	36	46
Cincinnati	0	2	0	.000	37	62
Pittsburgh	0	2	0	.000	29	61

WEST						
KANSAS CITY	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Kansas City	2	0	0	1.000	68	36
Oakland	1	1	0	.500	34	44
L.A. Chargers	1	1	0	.500	40	37
Denver	0	2	0	.000	30	40

NATIONAL CONFERENCE						
EAST	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Dallas	2	0	0	1.000	66	38
Philadelphia	1	1	0	.500	52	51
N.Y. Giants	0	2	0	.000	31	63
Washington	0	2	0	.000	48	63

SOUTH						
TAMPA BAY	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Tampa Bay	1	1	0	.500	37	45
Atlanta	1	1	0	.500	36	48
New Orleans	1	1	0	.500	39	55
Carolina	0	2	0	.000	41	50

NORTH						
GREEN BAY	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Green Bay	2	0	0	1.000	31	19
Detroit	1	0	1	.750	40	37
Minnesota	1	1	0	.500	44	33
Chicago	1	1	0	.500	19	24

WEST						
SAN FRANCISCO	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
San Francisco	2	0	0	1.000	72	34
L.A. Rams	2	0	0	1.000	57	36
Seattle	2	0	0	1.000	49	46
Arizona	0	1	1	.250	44	50

**NFL SCHEDULE**

**Thursday's Game**  
Jacksonville 20, Tennessee 7

**Sunday's Games**  
Miami at Dallas, 10 a.m.

Oakland at Minnesota, 10 a.m.

Cincinnati at Buffalo, 10 a.m.

Baltimore at Kansas City, 10 a.m.

Atlanta at Indianapolis, 10 a.m.

Detroit at Philadelphia, 10 a.m.

Denver at Green Bay, 10 a.m.

N.Y. Jets at New England, 10 a.m.

N.Y. Giants at Tampa Bay, 1:05 p.m.

Carolina at Arizona, 1:05 p.m.

Houston at L.A. Chargers, 1:25 p.m.

New Orleans at Seattle, 1:25 p.m.