For the last couple decades the NFL draft has generated nearly as much talk and excitement with Browns fans as the NFL season has. It might be because the excitement of the draft lasts longer than the Browns have remained relevant in most of those seasons. Be that as it may, the first round kicks off tonight from New York City and the Browns currently hold the 6th selection. TCF will be with you throughout the night providing actual insight in the form of TCF writer Jason Askew along with ridiculous statements and poor attempts at humor from Brian McPeek.

Just to whet your appetite, there have been a number of rumors today regarding the Browns and that 6th pick. Some of those rumors have centered around the potential for teams like the Patriots and the Falcons potentially making offers in order to move up and select guys they value. New England has the 17th and 28th selections in the first round. Would that be enough of a haul for you to give up one of the top 6 players coming out? Is there enough depth and talent to fill the many holes the Browns have to fill?

Stay tuned for much more as the night goes on. And feel free to ask questions and comment on the players as they come off the board at either the TCF Facebook page: http://on.fb.me/iC7xes

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Let's Go!

Brian 705pm- Jason says there are multiple trade down rumors involving the Browns, one of which involves moving back one pick so San Francisco can select Patrick Peterson if he's there

and then moving back back one spot again immediately so the Titans could select Nick Fairley. I fear Jason is tied in knots debating whether all the picks the Browns would gain put them in a better situation than getting a potentially great player.

Me? I'm following up rumors that Cecil Newton is trying to start a bidding war between San Diego and New Orleans with Cam going to the highest bidder. He thinks this works just like the SEC.

Jason 720pm-As the draft is minutes away I can't help but to wonder what it would take for me to accept a trade down if Peterson is on the board and I can't get myself to walk away from the player. I know it is hard to turn down extra picks high in the draft but I just can't get myself to turn my back on a player that is a once in a decade type of player.

I am hearing rumblings of Kaepernick sneaking in the first round. I mean teams are really reaching for guys. I guess if a player with 16tds and 9 ints(Gabbert) can get picked in the top ten then why not take a guy with the numbers and potential of a Kaepernick but I think teams are bluffing on how many QBs will go in round one....We'll see.

I just heard an interview with Phil Simms and he said that Mallet was a top ten QB.....and he was adamant about it.

727pm- Facebook reader Phil writes, "Dear Diary, please sweet jeebus no QBs."

Amen Phil.

Brian 735pm- Grabbed a couple beers and some wings to watch this thing in Columbia, SC tonight. Went into a questionable neighborhood and picked up some pharmies to deal with hours of Mel Kiper and Chris Berman.

Brian 738pm- The Brady Quinn Hospitality Suite is open and waiting for Prince Amaka...Amanaka..., ah hell..., Jake Locker to take advantage of its amenities as he waits to hear his name.

Jason 742pm-Just as I thought... sounds like the Patriots are working the phones...

Guys no matter what the pick know a true pro is running the room. Heckert is that guy who doesn't look the part but plays it better than anyone else...He will put together a team that brings respect back to the lakefront....Not that 'one year wonder' type of buzz but true respect.

If the Browns are truly looking to build around Colt look for them to draft inside players at some point in the draft. McCoy is best working the middle of the field because of his elite accuracy. He is not an outside QB because he doesn't have elite arm strength..

751pm Facebook reader Mike says,"Tonight is seriously a sporting mans dream...I think I can warm up to this Thursday Night prime time thing."

Hope my daughter DVR'd 'Jersey Shore' for me though Mike. I have my limits.

802pm Brian Don't underestimate how important it is to the Browns that McCoy and the offense get to legally get their hands on Pat Surmur's playbook now that the lockout has been lifted (however long that may last).

1. Carolina Panthers- Cam Newton, QB, Auburn

 805pm- It's official. Cam goes first to the Panthers. He was dragging Cecil who had a death grip on the cuffs of Cam's pants.

810pm Facebook Phil writes,"Jimmy Clausen is crying right now."

To be fair Phil, Jimmy has been crying for as long as I've been aware of him.

2. Denver Broncos- Von Miller, LB, Texas A&M

815pm Jason- Cam Newton will be a star in for Chud...Sorry Jimmy your reign is over.. Good pick for Panthers. The most impressive thing about his game is the fact he actually does go through progressions and does not just take off despite his ability to run. He has a cannon. I hope for him and the coaches sake that there is a rookie wage scale because it will be a long hold out if not....Richardson won't pay willingly.

Von Miller will be a stud....He will make plays all over the field not just sacking QBs and the kid is a fun loving person just like our Joe Haden....

3. Buffalo Bills- Marcell Dareus, DT, Alabama

820pm Brian- Cecil newton was on Marcell Dareus's draft phone trying to up the limits on all of his credit cards. True story....

822pm Jason-Dareus will be Merriman's best friend if Merriman can get healthy. Dareus offers the Bills the type of flexibility a D-coordinator loves.I have reservations on his ability to get to the QB on a regular basis but you won't have to motivate him with a hot iron...

Now is where the draft starts....this is the pick that will set the tone for the rest of the first round..

4. Cincinatti Bengals- AJ Green, WR, Georgia

827pm Brian- That pick hurts the Browns. Well, it hurts what I had hoped would be available for Browns. Please be there Patrick Peterson. And please take him Mr. Heckert.

5. Arizona Cardinals- Patrick Peterson, CB, LSU

832pm Jason- Green will be a monster in the league but he scares me more without Haden.. The Bengals will need elite WRs if Jordan Palmer is going to be throwing to them....Peterson would help to shut him down...Will Arizona take him or the QB....

832pm Brian- Shit.

834pm Jason-Patrick Peterson slips through our fingers to the Cardinals and Cleveland moans....

6. Cleveland Browns- Pick Traded to Atlanta, Julio Jones, WR, Alabama

The Browns receive Atlanta's 1st rounder this year (27th), their 2nd and 4th this year and Atlanta's 1st and 4th rounders next year.

840pm Jason-O.K. Browns traded way down there. Get some coffee....and Pepto Bismol

I expect the Browns to capitalize on the teams that will try and trade back into the first round for a QB and they may not even take a player tonight...

I can hear the Andrew Luck talk already.....

7. San Francisco- Aldon Smith, DE, Missouri

8. Tennessee Titans- Jake Locker, QB, Washington

845pm Brian- Wow. Gruden's getting hot with Mel. Browns building arsenal for Luck deal next season?

845pm Jason-

Aldon Smith over Robert Quinn, this is interesting. I am not sure how good Smith will be in space.

Wow Locker going before Gabbert. There you go Titans. I think Locker will be great running play action to Chris Johnson... So much for the experts hating on Jake. Gruden loves him...Now all they need to do is keep Britt out of jail...I would have thought they would have taken Fairley since his line coach from Auburn is there. Another example of how QBs will always win out.

9. Dallas Cowboys- **Tyron Smith, OT, USC**

10. Washington Redskins- Trade Pick to Jacksonville, Blaine Gabbert, QB, Missouri

9pm Brian- Nick Fairley still out there.

11. Houston Texans- JJ Watt, DE, Wisconsin

910pm Brian- Still trying to get my head around what the Browns plan is with the 27th pick. Are they convinced someone will fall or are they convinced they can add more picks with another trade out of the first round?

Jason-Tyron Smith will be an anchor for double digit years. Right or left tackle he will be a

good player and much needed protector for Romo. Cowboys needed to pick some bread and butter and stop going for the splash all of the time. Great pick.

I was waiting for Bruce Allen and the Redskins to try and get some of their picks back and they did with the trade down....Gabbert going to Jacksonville is a pick that won't be able to be properly evaluated until he beats out Garrard and it may take a couple of years in my opinion.

Fairley must really be a knucklehead...Too Bad. I thought he would be long gone by now. I hope this motivates him to mature faster.

I thought the Texans would have taken Prince but went with JJ Watt and put themselves in a beast mode on the pass rush....Mario Williams and JJ Watt staring at you will be great.

12. Minnesota Vikings- Christian Ponder, QB, Florida State

Brian- Good God, people are QB insane. Christian Ponder? Gruden says he's a nice guy and his intangibles are off the chart. People describe me the same way. Other than the nice guy thing...

Jason- Here we go reaching for QBs just like I thought... These teams are taking it to a new level

13. Detroit Lions- **Nick Fairley, DT, Auburn**

Brian- Fairley get arrested yet in Detroit? A la Reggie Rogers?

925pm Jason-Gabe Carimi, Phil Taylor, Aaron Williams, Jimmy Smith are potential Browns targets

WoW are you kidding me with that DL in Detroit..This is HUGE!! You can not double both...Wow

they will be sick in sub defense..

14. St. Louis-Robert Quinn, DE, North Carolina

15. Miami Dolphins-Mike Pouncey, C, Florida

934pm David Regimbal writes, "We just left reality behind and dove head first into a world where orange juice tastes awesome after brushing your teeth and christian ponder gets drafted in the top 15."

16. Washington Redskins- Ryan Kerrigan, DE, Purdue

Brian- Roger Goodell just moved Kerrigan to LB with his announcement. That's a powerful commissioner.

17. New England Patriots-Nate Solder, OT, Colorado

945pm Jason- Quinn getting taken by St. Louis Rams is a solid pick. I don't blame the teams who didn't clear him medically. A brain tumor is a big deal.

Pouncey going to Dolphins is solid but boring. Ronnie Brown go buy a new car. They will resign him.

What a place to pick..The Browns pick between Ozzie and Hoodie...

Kerrigan going to Washington to go opposite Orakpo will be decent. I still thought they would

pick a player like Cameron Jordan but more pass rush ala Vrabel will do.

18. San Diego Chargers- Corey Liuget, DT, Illinois

955pm Jason- Go figure the Patriots take a big boy..They are always going to draft lineman early when their current ones get older.

I wonder when Prince and Jimmy Smith go? Probably back to back or real close now that we are getting close to the twenties.....

I don't know how much Liuget fits the 3-4.

Brian- Have to imagine TB takes a DB with Talib issue, no? And I doubt it'll be one with Smith's character issues.

19. New York Giants- Prince Amukamara, CB, Nebraska

Brian- I'm on a roll. Thought Prince was going to TB.

Finally getting to the playoff teams and their picks. Seems odd to be in that range doesn't it Browns fans?

20. Tampa Bay- Adrian Clayborn, DE, Iowa

Prince Amukamara tidbit per Chris Mortenson**-**Amukamara non-football note: He has five sisters (Princess, Promise, Peace, Precious, & Passionate). If that's not reason enough that he slipped I'm not sure what is.

Jason-Giants getting the Prince is a good pick I hope they are planning on playing a lot of zone.

Bower's knee must be as jacked up as you get to have Clayborn taken ahead of him and what in the world is wrong with Cam Jordan...

21. Kansas City Chiefs- Pick Traded to Browns, Phil Taylor, NT, Baylor

Brian- I'm literally scratching my head. Has to be moving to DT. It cost the Browns a 3rd round pick. Even the studio guys are scratching their heads.

Jason-Phil Taylor is a guy I thought the Browns could target because he is exactly what a DT in a Dick Jauron defense has looked like in the past. The guys who are questioning how much he will play don't understand what a power 4-3 defense is all about. Taylor and Rubin will be rocks in the middle and they will allow the LBs to run and hit. Seems like the defensive philosophy that Jauron has run in the past will be exactly what they run in the future.

1024pm David Regimbal writes: "Phil Taylor? Face palm."

Gotta be huge up front in theis division. that's all I got. And the more you look at it, the more you see Taylor next to Rubin and like the fact they're getting bigger in the middle. They'll go with the smaller DEs later in the draft and get WRs as well.

22. Indianapolis Colts- Anthony Castonzo, OT, Boston College

23. Philadelphia Eagles- Danny Watkins, G, Baylor

24. New Orleans- Cameron Jordan, DE, Cal

Brian/Jason- Some health issues with Browns pick Phil Taylor that the Browns must have signed off on or looked beyond. He has a congenital foot issue. More later from Jason.

Jason- I think the Ravens will clear a room out in Ray Ray's house and pick Jimmy Smith...

25. Seattle- James Carpenter, OL, Alabama

27. Baltimore- Passed when the pick wasn't in on time. Selected Jimmy Smith, DB, Colorado

Brian- Dumbasses. Although they probably got who they wanted, he'll be a Pro-Bowler for ten years and they get to pay him less. Bastards.

26. Kansas City- Picked Jon Baldwin, WR, Pitt when Baltimore failed to get their pick in.

28. New England- Trade Pick to New Orleans. New Orleans selects Mark Ingram, RB, Alabama

Brian- Great value for the best back in the draft. Less value now that he bawled in front of Suzy Kolber though. And nice call on Smith to Baltimore Jay.

29. Chicago Bears- Gabe Carimi, OT, Wisconsin

30. NY Jets- Muhammad Wilkerson, DT, Temple

Brian- Gagging and sputtering to the very bitter end. I almost wish this would go another hour because I think Berman and Kiper might physically attack each other in a huge network slap fight.

31. Pittsburgh- Cameron Heyward, DE, OSU

Brian- Who couldn't see this one coming? I mean, really? Now I have no choice but to hate him.

32. Green Bay- Derek Sherrod, OT, Miss St.

That'll wrap it up tonight. Jason will have a nice fat article on all the good and bad that is Browns pick Phil Taylor for you tomorrow. Thanks for looking in.