



2009 Season Preview Series Vol. 1.15



Champs poised to make a run at a repeat in 2009!

The Teelers climbed to the top of the TBL mountain last year when they defeated the Terrors in Super Bowl XI. Now they face the difficult task of trying to become the first team to repeat as champions since the Rebels won their 3rd consecutive championship in 2004.

At QB the Teelers have Jay Cutler and Carson Palmer both of which have the potential to be top 5 QBs this year. Still both have some question marks coming into this year and the team has made no secret that they are looking for another arm.

Once the team's achilles heel, RB is now a position of strength for the Teelers as Michael Turner, Jonathan Stewart and Marshawn Lynch provide the team with top tier talent. LenDale White's future with the team is uncertain after he desecrated the Terrible Towel and fell into TJ's doghouse.

WR is the team's biggest strength "The Johnson's" (Andre and Calvin) along with Dwayne Bowe provide the team with the best WR unit in the league. Braylon Edwards provides excellent depth.

Zach Miller, Kellen Winslow and Vernon Davis are a very solid group of TEs and provide the team with even more firepower.

The Eagles and Cowboys DEF/ST units are both championship caliber.

Jeff Reed and Adam Viniteri give the team top great options at K. The team does not currently have a HC under contract at this time.

Look for the champs to make another run in 2009. They own the top two picks in the draft and have a GM that is the "hardest working man in the league" as GM Gallo will stop at nothing to keep the Teelers on top for a long, long time.

2009 OUTLOOK

2008 Record

12-5 (3rd place)

Key Additions:

K Jeff Reed, Cowboys DEF/ST

Key Losses:

QB Eli Manning, WR Reggie Wayne

Highest 2009 draft pick:

#1

Needs:

HC

2009 Prediction:

14-3 (1st place)