

# Loss on line huge for Ti-Cats

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The Canadian Press

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Once again, Orlando Steinauer has some shuffling to do.

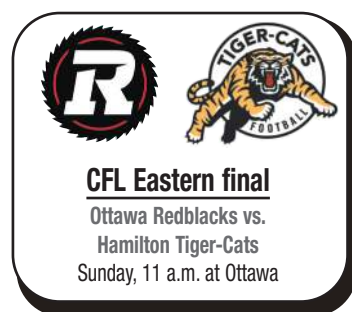
Defensive end Eric Norwood is doubtful Sunday when the Hamilton Tiger-Cats visit the Ottawa Redblacks in the East Division final. Norwood reportedly suffered a season-ending knee injury in last weekend's 25-22 home win over the Toronto Argonauts in the conference semifinal.

The loss of Norwood is huge for Hamilton. The six-foot-one, 252-pound lineman had seven sacks, one interception and two fumble returns for TDs this season.

But Steinauer, Hamilton's defensive co-ordinator, has become rather adept at juggling his defensive line. Canadian defensive linemen Linden Gaydos, Brian Bulcke, Evan Gill and Hasan Hazime and American Adrian Tracy are all on the injured list.

"Yeah that was a big blow, I'm not going to sugar-coat that," Steinauer said. "But they're going to kick off so we move on."

"We'll put a different lineup out there but it won't affect our



hearts and how hard we play." With Norwood sidelined, sophomore Arnaud Gascon-Nadon, a Montreal native, is expected to start against Ottawa. Steinauer wouldn't confirm that but defensive tackle Ted Laurent said the former Laval star has the confidence of his teammates.

"We (defensive line) have been though a lot," said the burly Laurent, also a Montreal native and Hamilton's top Canadian award nominee the last two years. "Wood is down but Gascon-Nadon is going to step up and I believe will get the job done."

The Ticats also have Michael Atkinson, a six-foot, 312-pound native of Windsor, Ont., in his third CFL season with Hamilton.

"They (Gascon-Nadon and Atkinson) have a different skillset than the other guys and it also allows you to play an

extra American somewhere else in the defence," Steinauer said. "There's a lot of flexibility that they bring along with their own individual skillsets."

Hamilton's defence faces a stiff challenge trying to contain a high-powered Ottawa offence led by quarterback Henry Burris. The 40-year-old is a finalist for the CFL's outstanding player award after registering a league-record 481 completions, league-high 5,703 yards and a career-best 70.9 completion percentage.

Burris also anchored the CFL's top aerial attack (322.6 yards per game) and was 28-of-37 passing for 368 yards and six TDs in Ottawa's season-ending 44-28 home win over Hamilton. The Redblacks not only swept the season series 2-0 but finished first in the East Division after managing just two wins in their inaugural 2014 campaign.

"He's having an outstanding season, probably is the MVP of the league," Steinauer said of Burris.

With both starter Zach Collaros (knee) and backup Jeff Mathews (concussion) out, Jeremiah Masoli will make just his second career playoff start for Hamilton.

# Smith a versatile key

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**CALGARY**  
Quinn Smith feels he's had the best of both worlds this CFL season.

The 24-year-old from Toronto felt the glory of recording a sack and also the fun of being on the field to celebrate touchdowns with the Calgary Stampeders.

Smith started at defensive tackle the first 10 games of this season before morphing into the sixth man on the offensive line.

The Concordia University product returned to defence for Calgary's regular-season finale, only to switch to offence again in the West Division semifinal.

That's a lot of pages to memorize from the Stampeders playbook.

"My brain has been a bit of a storm this year, but the coaches have been great helping me out and making it a little more simple," Smith said Friday.

"Defensive line, when you sack the quarterback you get a bit more praise, there's a little more glory. But offence, you're on the field for touchdowns so it's pretty exciting. When you're on defence and there's a touchdown scored, it's not a good thing. It's good to celebrate touchdowns once in awhile."



Stampeders head coach and general manager John Hufnagel called Smith "a very handy person to have on your roster this year" and now even more given the revamping of Calgary's offensive line ahead of Sunday's West Division final against the Edmonton Eskimos.

Injuries to starting centre Pierre Lavertu (hamstring) and left guard Shane Bergman (upper body) in a division semifinal win last Sunday has the Stampeders relying even more on Smith's versatility.

The winner of Sunday's tilt between the CFL's 14-4 teams books a berth in the Grey Cup on Nov. 29. The Eskimos won the season series.

# Quarterback woes plaguing many NFL teams so far this season

**BOB BAUM**  
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**TEMPE, Ariz.**

Peyton Manning is out. So is Andrew Luck. Tony Romo is finally ready to come back, after the Cowboys went 0-7 without him.

Losing an elite quarterback can be devastating to a team. No one knows that better than the Arizona Cardinals. They are the poster child for how things can head south in a hurry when the main man goes down.

Since the midpoint of the 2013 season, the Cardinals are 20-4 when Carson Palmer starts, 5-6 without him.

Palmer missed 11 games last season, the last five after tearing an ACL. He was 6-0 as a starter. In those games, Arizona averaged 25.8 points per game. Without him, the Cardinals scored 12.9 per game. They finished 3-4, losing to the Panthers in the playoffs.

"It's demoralizing when you lose

your franchise player, the leader of your team," Arizona wide receiver Larry Fitzgerald said. "There's nobody more important than your quarterback on your football team, especially when you have an elite quarterback like we do. It takes a while. It's really frustrating. It demoralizes your team."

Arizona didn't just lose its starting quarterback. Backup Drew Stanton went down with a knee injury, too. Arizona signed Ryan Lindley from the San Diego practice squad to start the final three contests, all losses.

Coach Bruce Arians believes the team can keep playing at a high level with Stanton. But he said quality backup quarterbacks are "really hard to find."

Nobody has to tell Dallas Cowboys fans that. Dallas went 0-7 after Romo broke his left collarbone. They lost the first three with Brandon Weeden at quarterback, then they signed Matt Cassel and lost four more.

When Romo was ready to return,

the Cowboys gave up on Weeden. He was released and signed by another team with quarterback injury issues, the Houston Texans.

When the quarterback is hurt, the team's defence feels it.

"If you don't have your starting quarterback naturally a lot of pressure does fall on the defence,"

Arizona safety Tyrann Mathieu said, "to swing field position, force more turnovers, do everything 'extra.'"

Arizona's defence seemed to wear down under that load last year.

"Yeah, it was a lot," Mathieu said, "... Defensively you want to go out there and score touchdowns and make plays and just be an offensive guy. It definitely puts a lot of pressure on a defence, especially as the season goes on and the games get bigger and tougher."

Teams talk about having a good backup quarterback. But there's a reason they are backups.

"You always want to be able to

absorb injuries throughout your football team," Cowboys executive vice-president Stephen Jones said on his weekly radio show. "If something happens to this guy, put the next guy in and let's go. The best teams are able to do that."

Luck was rarely his old self this season amid rumours he was hurt worse than he or the Colts let on. Now he is gone for perhaps five weeks with a lacerated kidney and abdominal muscle injury. So Indianapolis will turn to 40-year-old Matt Hasselbeck, who quarterbacked the Colts in two wins earlier this season.

"I guess I've been doing this long enough you expect the unexpected," new Colts offensive co-ordinator Rob Chudzinski said. "That's what this job is and that's what coaching is, is a challenge. It's all about challenges. You look at it like it's a jigsaw puzzle. It can come together and it's a matter of getting those pieces and putting it all together, but it can be done. We'll find a way to get it done."

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2. Insulate water pipes in unheated areas, include crawl spaces.
3. For sinks located against a non-insulated outside wall:
  - Open the vanity door to allow warm air to reach the water pipes.
  - A light bulb placed near the water pipe may generate enough heat to keep the water flowing.
  - Heat tape wrapped around the pipe may keep the pipe from freezing.
4. For Residents of mobile homes
  - check the condition of the heat tape on their water service and meter
  - protect unheated indoor water meter with an insulated box
  - water pipes should be wrapped in insulation using heat tape
  - Outside water taps and underground sprinkler systems should have the water supply shut off inside the house at the isolation valve for the tap
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The Property offers direct access to a major transportation corridor (Highway #1) as well as excellent access to all sectors of the City of Medicine Hat.

For more information and if you are interested in submitting a response to this EOI, paper copies may be acquired at the Land and Properties Department or digitally by e-mail to Dave Curtis, Property Administrator [davcur@medicinehat.ca](mailto:davcur@medicinehat.ca)

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