

# 2002 Arena Football League Season in Review

## ArenaBowl II Champion



### Playoffs

1. Virginia-145
2. North Adams-144
3. Compton- 117
4. UJB-133

1. Virginia-176
2. North Adams-164

### Regular Season Standings

|                                |             |                                |             |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>1. Virginia Colonydawgs</b> | <b>13-2</b> | <b>5. New Haven G-Thugs</b>    | <b>5-10</b> |
| <b>2. Compton Irishmen</b>     | <b>11-4</b> | <b>6. Da Beers</b>             | <b>5-10</b> |
| <b>3. North Adams S&amp;Ms</b> | <b>11-4</b> | <b>7. LA Avengers</b>          | <b>4-11</b> |
| <b>4. UJB Fightin' JBs</b>     | <b>8-7</b>  | <b>8. Diablos Con Charcoal</b> | <b>3-12</b> |

### Scoring Averages and High Scores

|                    |              |            |                    |              |            |
|--------------------|--------------|------------|--------------------|--------------|------------|
| <b>Virginia</b>    | <b>179.3</b> | <b>232</b> | <b>New Haven</b>   | <b>145.7</b> | <b>214</b> |
| <b>Compton</b>     | <b>172.9</b> | <b>246</b> | <b>Da Beers</b>    | <b>136.9</b> | <b>175</b> |
| <b>North Adams</b> | <b>167.9</b> | <b>201</b> | <b>Los Angeles</b> | <b>148.6</b> | <b>209</b> |
| <b>UJB</b>         | <b>157.1</b> | <b>180</b> | <b>Diablos</b>     | <b>134.1</b> | <b>168</b> |

## Head to Head Results

|     | CPT | DaB | DC  | LA  | NA  | NH  | UJB | VA  |
|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| CPT |     | 2-0 | 3-0 | 2-0 | 1-1 | 1-1 | 2-0 | 0-2 |
| DaB | 0-2 |     | 2-0 | 1-1 | 0-2 | 1-2 | 1-1 | 0-2 |
| DC  | 0-3 | 0-2 |     | 2-0 | 0-2 | 1-1 | 0-2 | 0-2 |
| LA  | 0-2 | 1-1 | 0-2 |     | 1-2 | 1-1 | 1-1 | 0-2 |
| NA  | 1-1 | 2-0 | 2-0 | 2-1 |     | 2-0 | 1-1 | 1-1 |
| NH  | 1-1 | 2-1 | 1-1 | 1-1 | 0-2 |     | 0-2 | 0-2 |
| UJB | 0-2 | 1-1 | 2-0 | 1-1 | 1-1 | 2-0 |     | 1-2 |
| VA  | 2-0 | 2-0 | 2-0 | 2-0 | 1-1 | 2-0 | 2-1 |     |

## League Leaders (minimum 10 games played)

*Last year's ranking in parentheses*

| <b>Quarterback</b>    |          |                         |          |
|-----------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------|
| 1. Donovan McNabb, VA | 25.6 (8) | 6. Drew Bledsoe, DaB    | 19.6 (-) |
| 2. Rich Gannon, NH    | 22.8 (6) | 7. Daunte Culpepper, VA | 19.5 (5) |
| 3. Michael Vick, CPT  | 20.5 (-) | 8. Jeff Garcia, UJB     | 19.4 (2) |
| 4. Aaron Brooks, NA   | 20.4 (3) | 9. Peyton Manning, NH   | 19.1 (9) |
| 5. Tom Brady, DC      | 19.9 (-) | 10. Steve McNair, NA    | 18.8 (7) |

Dropped out: Warner (1), Favre (4), Griese (10)

| <b>Running Back</b>      |          |                       |          |
|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------|----------|
| 1. Priest Holmes, NA     | 26.0 (2) | 5t. Travis Henry, UJB | 16.6 (-) |
| 2. L. Tomlinson, CPT     | 19.6 (8) | 7. Clinton Portis, VA | 16.5 (-) |
| 3. Ricky Williams, DaB   | 19.5 (6) | 8. Marshall Faulk, LA | 16.0 (1) |
| 4. Deuce McAllister, CPT | 18.9 (-) | 9. Ahman Green, NA    | 15.8 (3) |
| 5t. Shaun Alexander, VA  | 16.6 (5) | 10. Tiki Barber, NH   | 15.1 (-) |

Dropped out: Martin (4), Dillon (7), Bettis (9), Hearst (10)

| <b>Wide Receiver</b>   |          |                         |           |
|------------------------|----------|-------------------------|-----------|
| 1. Terrell Owens, VA   | 15.5 (1) | 6. Joe Horn, DaB        | 11.4 (7)  |
| 2. Marvin Harrison, LA | 15.2 (2) | 7. Jerry Rice, NH       | 11.0 (10) |
| 3. Hines Ward, CPT     | 14.3 (-) | 8. Randy Moss, NA       | 10.9 (4)  |
| 4. Eric Moulds, CPT    | 11.8 (-) | 9. Marty Booker, CPT    | 10.8 (-)  |
| 5. Peerless Price, DaB | 11.6 (-) | 10. Plaxico Burress, VA | 10.6 (-)  |

Dropped out: R.Smith (3), Boston (5), Tim Brown (6), J.Smith (8), Schroeder (9)

| Tight End                    |         | Kicker                         |         |
|------------------------------|---------|--------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Tony Gonzalez, <i>UJB</i> | 7.3 (1) | 1. David Akers, <i>UJB</i>     | 9.4 (5) |
| 2. Shannon Sharpe, <i>NH</i> | 6.8 (4) | 2. S. Janikowski, <i>LA</i>    | 9.1 (4) |
| 3. Todd Heap, <i>VA</i>      | 6.7 (-) | 3. Martin Gramatica, <i>NA</i> | 9.0 (-) |
| 4. Bubba Franks, <i>NA</i>   | 5.4 (-) | 4t. John Carney, <i>FA</i>     | 8.9 (1) |
| 5. Jeremy Shockey, <i>DC</i> | 5.2 (-) | 4t. Morten Andersen, <i>VA</i> | 8.9 (-) |

Dropped out: Pollard (2), Wycheck (3), Clark (5), Elam (2), Wilkins (3)

| Linebacker                    |          |                             |          |
|-------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------|
| 1. Jamie Sharper, <i>VA</i>   | 11.2 (-) | 6. Eric Barton, <i>NH</i>   | 10.2 (-) |
| 2. Brian Urlacher, <i>LA</i>  | 11.0 (5) | 7. Zach Thomas, <i>CPT</i>  | 10.1 (2) |
| 3. Derrick Brooks, <i>LA</i>  | 10.8 (-) | 8. Keith Bulluck, <i>LA</i> | 9.9 (-)  |
| 4. Donnie Edwards, <i>FA</i>  | 10.7 (-) | 9t. Joey Porter, <i>VA</i>  | 9.8 (-)  |
| 5. London Fletcher, <i>DC</i> | 10.3 (-) | 9t. Al Wilson, <i>VA</i>    | 9.8 (-)  |

Dropped out: Lewis (1), Wayne (3), Miller (4), Brooking (6), Arrington (7), M. Jones (8), McKinnon (9), Strahan (10)

| Defensive Back                |         |
|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1. Rod Woodson, <i>FA</i>     | 8.9 (-) |
| 2t. Roy Williams, <i>UJB</i>  | 8.6 (-) |
| 2t. Adrian Wilson, <i>CPT</i> | 8.6 (-) |
| 2t. Darren Sharper, <i>FA</i> | 8.6 (-) |
| 5. Adam Archuleta, <i>VA</i>  | 8.5 (-) |

Dropped out: Lassiter (1), Harrison (2), Scott (3), Knight (4), Milloy (5)

## Awards

### League MVP

Priest Holmes, North Adams

2. Rich Gannon, New Haven 3. Clinton Portis, Virginia

Previous Winners

2001 – Kurt Warner, Compton

## Draft Steal

### Clinton Portis (round 16), Virginia

2. Charlie Garner (round 16), Da Beers 3. Tim Brown (round 11), New Haven

Previous Winners

2001 – Troy Brown (round 22), DC Charcoal

## Draft Bust

### Mike Vanderjagt (round 7), North Adams

2. Lamar Smith (round 6), New Haven 3. DeShaun Foster (round 8), Compton

Previous Winners

2001 – Eddie George (round 1), DC Charcoal

## Best Pickup

### Hines Ward, Compton

2. Travis Henry, UJB 3. Chad Pennington, North Adams

Previous Winners

2001 – Shaun Alexander, Virginia

## Worst Keeper

### Kurt Warner, Compton

2. Mike Anderson, Da Beers 3. Marcus Pollard, New Haven

Previous Winners

2001 – none

## Worst Trade

### Virginia trades Ricky Williams, Peerless Price and Drew Brees to Da Beers for Edgerrin James

Previous Winners

2001 – LA trades Owens and Z. Thomas to VA for Urlacher, Bennett, Glenn, and Boyd

## Team and Players of the Week

| Week | Team                  | Offense                        | Defense                                 |
|------|-----------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 1    | North Adams - 193 (5) | Priest Holmes, NA-37 (3)       | Brooks, LA (2) & Brooking, CPT (1)-15   |
| 2    | Virginia – 196 (2)    | Daunte Culpepper, VA-37 (1)    | Brian Urlacher, LA-20 (1)               |
| 3    | Compton – 177 (5)     | Donovan McNabb, VA-41 (1)      | Derrick Brooks, LA-17 (3)               |
| 4    | Virginia – 232 (3)    | Shaun Alexander, VA-52 (3)     | Ray Lewis, CPT-23 (3)                   |
| 5    | North Adams – 192 (6) | Rich Gannon, NH-40 (1)         | Deltha O’Neal, DaB-23 (1)               |
| 6    | North Adams – 183 (7) | Daunte Culpepper, VA-30 (2)    | Joey Porter, VA-15 (2)                  |
| 7    | Los Angeles – 193 (7) | Marshall Faulk, LA-47 (3)      | Nate Wayne, DC-20 (1)                   |
| 8    | Virginia – 175 (4)    | Jeff Garcia, UJB-35 (3)        | Brian Urlacher, LA-12 (2)               |
| 9    | Los Angeles – 170 (8) | Tom Brady, DC-36 (2)           | Urlacher, LA (3) & Wayne, DC (2) - 14   |
| 10   | Compton – 246 (6)     | Marc Bulger, VA-42 (1)         | K.Bulluck, LA (1) & E.Barton, NH (1)-16 |
| 11   | Virginia – 213 (5)    | Donovan McNabb, VA-32 (2)      | Jamie Sharper, VA-18 (2)                |
| 12   | North Adams – 187 (8) | Priest Holmes, NA-48 (4)       | Eric Barton, NH-16 (2)                  |
| 13   | Compton – 200 (7)     | LaDanian Tomlinson, CPT-45 (1) | Al Wilson, VA-16 (1)                    |
| 14   | Virginia – 198 (6)    | Jeff Garcia, UJB-40 (4)        | Jamie Sharper, VA-19 (3)                |
| 15   | Virginia – 221 (7)    | Clinton Portis, VA-44 (1)      | Jason Taylor, DC-20 (1)                 |
| 16   | Virginia – 145 (8)    | Michael Vick, CPT-27 (1)       | Al Wilson, VA-12 (2)                    |
| 17   | Virginia – 176 (9)    | Clinton Portis, VA-35 (2)      | Sammy Knight, NA-20 (2)                 |

*Number in parentheses represents total career TOTW or POTW awards*

## Keepers

| Avengers        | Beers          | Colonydawgs        | Diablos         |
|-----------------|----------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Marshall Faulk  | Drew Bledsoe   | Donovan McNabb     | Tom Brady       |
| William Green   | Ricky Williams | Clinton Portis     | Joey Harrington |
| Marvin Harrison | Charlie Garner | Shaun Alexander    | Amani Toomer    |
| Derrick Brooks  | Joe Horn       | Edgerrin James     | David Boston    |
| Brian Urlacher  | Peerless Price | Terrell Owens      | Jeremy Shockey  |
| Fightin’ JB’s   | GhettoThugs    | Irishmen           | S&Ms            |
| Brett Favre     | Rich Gannon    | Michael Vick       | Chad Pennington |
| Jeff Garcia     | Peyton Manning | LaDanian Tomlinson | Corey Dillon    |
| Michael Bennett | Tiki Barber    | Deuce McAllister   | Priest Holmes   |
| Travis Henry    | Tim Brown      | Torry Holt         | Ahman Green     |
| Tony Gonzalez   | Jerry Rice     | Ray Lewis          | Randy Moss      |