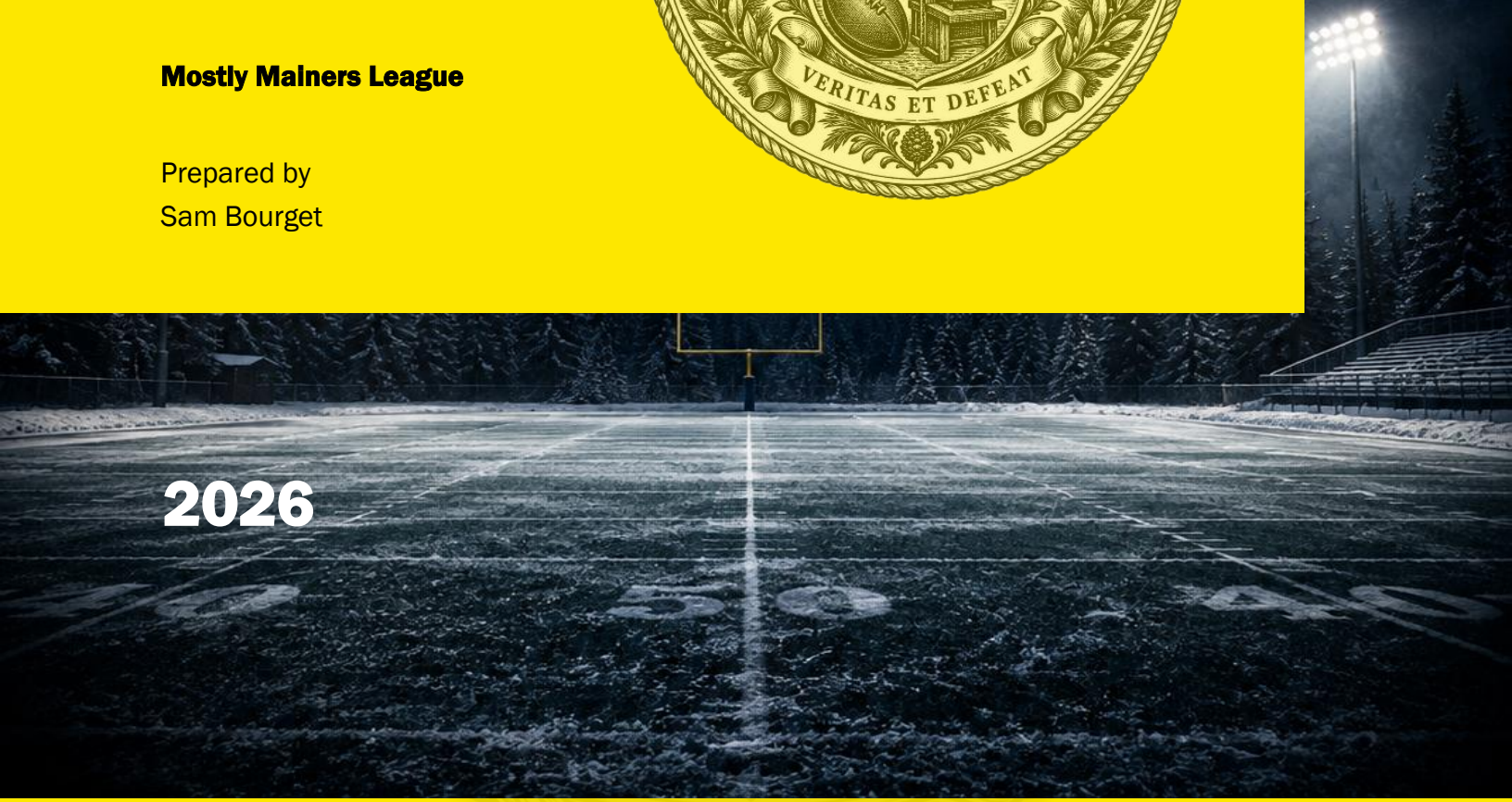
WEEK 4 REPORT

Mostly Mainers League

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Executive summary

Ladies and gentlemen…. week 4 had it all; From toppled giants to shrimp with the power of gods, this is what fantasy is all about. The editorial board is still facing backlash from their week 2 AI slop production. We understand readers' concerns and have worked diligently to avoid the same mistake. ***IMPORTANT NOTICE IN COMMISSIONER'S CORNER.***

Official Week 4 Standings

As we do with every week, let's start off with the standings. Garrett continues his hot streak going undefeated through week 4, while Bowen matches him from the other side.

Rank	Manager	Record	Points	Grade	Pos. Change
1	Garrett	4-0-0	483.34	B+	↑ 1
2	Sam	3-1-0	508.08	F	↓ 1
3	Matt	3-1-0	506.54	A+	↑ 1
4	Isaac	3-1-0	445.26	B+	↑ 1
5	Joe	2-2-0	536.66	C-	↓ 2
6	Will	2-2-0	478.08	A	↑ 2
7	Liam	1-3-0	476.06	D	– 0
8	Danny	1-3-0	463.52	D	↓ 2
9	Ben	1-3-0	426.16	A+	↑ 1
10	Bowen	0-4-0	375.90	D+	↓ 1

Week 4 Superlatives

Manager of the Week: Ben McGhee

When Ben McGhee is speaking, listen and learn. After a league-wide record-setting low score in week 3, Ben bounced back riding Drake Maye (and McMillan) to a tsunami-style victory. While everyone has questioned his draft decisions, McGhee worked in the shadows with pep talks, positive press conferences, and a belief in his team that Ted Lasso would be proud of.

Tough Luck Purple Heart: Joe Hegarty

In his usual fashion, Joe once again outscored a majority of the league… and still lost. This will be his second official tough luck purple heart. Joe will be cursing his schedule as he once again finds himself being a hotshot of mediocrity.

Toilet Bowl Pacesetter: Bowen Redgate

Another sad week for Bowen. Frantic trade attempts. A hopeful start. The rug pull by Ceedee Lamb. Is there any hope left for this falling star?

Matchup Breakdowns

Cider Farty (Will) def. Draxx Them Sklounst (Sam) 135.08 – 76.98

Storyline: The bigger they are, the harder they fall.

Underdog squad Cider Farty destroys the league leader in spectacular fashion. Seasoned manager Will taught Sam a lesson about humility, using his tiny prick to pop Sam's inflated ego. Sam's undefeated powerhouse WR/TE combo didn't show up at all this week, and Will's battery of Javonte Williams and Puka Nacua took full advantage of the open door. The rest of the league breathed a sigh of relief seeing the cracks begin to form on the team projected to win it all.

Mr smithroy predalot (Ben) def. Benjerking Tenacity Lover (Liam) 172.86 – 118.52

Storyline: Godlike power, body of a shrimp.

Ben has struggled week after week to find his stride, but it seems being the butt of every joke surged his power capacity to maximum. He picked up Drake Maye in the second round of the draft, a questionable decision to say the least, but his blind confidence in his favorite QB seems to be paying off. Drake went for 27.16 points this week, paired with Tetairoa McMillan's massive 38.20 pts, Ben's victory was written in the stars. From a record low score in week 3, to a record high score in week 4, all that remains for the rookie manager is limiting his widespread fluctuation. Liam's team performed as expected, falling less than 2 tenths of a point from his projections, but being average just wasn't enough in this matchup.

Saac Man (Isaac) def. I love Picken's Flowers (Bowen) 109.92 – 100.28

Storyline: Poor Bowen.

The villain origin story continues for Bowen as he loses another week he was projected to win. This fall from grace is unlike any we have seen before (given that most of us are 1st year managers, but still..) Bowen was projected to be #1 in the league as of draft day and has fallen all the way to dead last with a zero-win record. Ceedee Lamb turned explosive this week, going 189 yds, 17 receptions, and 1 touchdown, if Isaac's next child is a boy, it's likely that "Ceedee Lambert" will be written on the birth certificate.

Rough Landing (Garrett) def. Danny's Dongers (Danny) 108.58 – 89.72
Storyline: There's a new sheriff in town.

Garrett holds onto his undefeated streak, taking the lead from Sam. While both teams in this matchup had an underwhelming performance, Danny's Dongers didn't have a shining star like Garrett's Kyren Williams to take him the distance. Even with a fat 0 from Rashee Rice, Garrett was able to scrape by. Rumors suggest that Garrett is already changing his Facebook name to "League Leader".

Matt's Malicious Gooners (Matt) def Joseph Stalin (Joe) 159.62 – 142.64
Storyline: We can go band for band, f*ck that we can go M for M.

In this clash of titans, both teams CRUSHED their initial projections for the week. As he normally does, Joe scored enough to beat 7 out of 9 of the other league managers but still lost his matchup. A masterclass showing by both teams, Collins, Hubbard, and Burrow popping off for Matt, and Walker, Nabers, and Higgins matching the strength for Joe. Joe's downfall was the half-ass performance from Cam Skattebo.

Commissioner's Corner

It's official. I [Sam] am assuming position of Mostly Mainers interim commissioner after the serious Arby's allegations against Will came to light. This change is for the best. As soon as Will clears his name, I will happily step down, or, if decided in popular vote, I will gladly retain power.

Here is the reality we face: After already completing 4 weeks of play, no punishment has been agreed upon or finalized. Options are fired off in the group chat as one-off jokes, and nothing has gained any sort of traction. Funny videos, beers with ben, all great jokes, but we need to be serious, so I am putting my foot down: Since the group cannot decide, I will.

I am a kind interim commissioner, I understand we come from all walks of life, live across the country, and may not want to perform an embarrassing act in public or on social media. What I propose is a simple yet effective punishment. Allowing league-based ridicule, requiring serious effort by the loser, that goes no further than the confines of our group.

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Here it is:

The league loser must prepare a completely serious presentation for the rest of the managers discussing their losing performance and what they have learned from the experience. The deadline for this presentation is December 20th (roughly one week after standings finalize). Though, if the loser knows his fate, he may begin working on the presentation at any time.

I have created a grading rubric of requirements. Failure to meet requirements will result in additional punishments affecting the loser's draft picks for next year (highlighted at the end of commissioner's corner). The requirements are as follows:

<u>Dress code & Presentation Environment:</u>

The presenter must appear via video, in fully verified business formal attire before the first slide is displayed. This means: A clean, tucked collared shirt, clean dress pants and belt, nice shoes, groomed hair, and a fully serious demeanor.

<u>Presentation Content:</u>

Section 1: Summary and opening apology

- Formal statement accepting full responsibility for last place finish.
- Acknowledgement of shame brought upon the Mostly Mainers league name.

Section 2: Head-to-Head breakdown & Gratitude

- Breakdown of W/L record against each individual manager.
- Genuine thanks for each manager including a lesson they learned from the matchups.

Section 3: Draft Mistakes

- Deep dive analysis on top three draft blunders.
- Bonus if slides include stats, graphs, & charts, showing which picks cost them the most.

Section 4: Roster Management

- Chronological review of roster moves, waiver executions, and wrong player starts.

Section 5: Q&A defense

- After the presentation, other managers will interrogate the loser's breakdown of events, challenge their season long strategy, all the while, the loser must answer with complete honesty.

As interim commissioner, and executive editor of the only Mostly Mainers newsletter, I put effort into information presentations on a weekly basis. All I ask is that the loser respect myself, and his fellow league mates enough to put in a serious effort for their presentation.

Failure to execute the presentation as defined will result in a forced removal of the top prospect drafted on the loser's team for next year. The top prospect will be chosen at the discretion of the commissioner, and the player must be released immediately following the draft, available for any manager (including the loser) to pick up on a waiver wire.

This punishment is final. For the full experience, all other managers are expected to attend the presentation and participate in the Q&A defense.

The Rumor Mill

The Redgate Files: A First Look

Allegations this week against Mostly Mainers last place manager shook the league. Multiple managers have spoken about his evil and negligent trade conduct. While unredacted versions of these documents are scheduled to be released shortly from the DOJ (Department of Jokes), the league board has been fighting tooth and nail to keep these documents hidden from public view.

"[redacted]" tried to trade me his IR player! Does he think I'm stupid?" Manager [redacted] said in a 1 on 1 interview on Sunday.

"[redacted]" stated [redacted] the [redacted] team, [redacted] outcome [redacted].

During a trade negotiation, the wife of [redacted] implored him to avoid the trade offers: "He's trying to take advantage of your niceness! These trades only make your team worse."

[redacted] and [redacted] extensive [redacted] disappointment [redacted] more serious [redacted].

"He's just a bad guy." [redacted] claimed, declining any further statements.

Amidst all of these allegations, and the losing record of Bowen, the country of Japan has decided to revoke his visa.

While we were unable to reach out to Bowen for a statement (simply because it's more entertaining this way), we encourage the league's fans and managers to look past these heinous acts. We vouch for Bowen and encourage any readers to focus on the state of his team and the suffering and loss he may face down the road without a lifeline. It is important to note that Bowen does not own any islands.

The Friendship-Straining Charity Event: Hegarty Brothers v. Cider on the Hill (COTH) 2026

An invitation to the Cider Party was sent to the two Hegarty brothers in July. **"We are so down"** Joe Hegarty replied. A few weeks before the event, COTH representatives reached out again confirming the brother's availability and intent to attend. "**Our mother has a charity recital … Maybe next year"** This will be the 8th year in a row that some extenuating circumstance has prevented the pair from attending the event, leaving everyone wondering, what the fuck is their problem? First it was Covid, then it was a trip to Maine the week before not lining up. Experts conclude that the 2.2-hour drive is just too scary for the physically small, tiny little baby squirrel brothers.

Nobody Likes a Graceful Loser: Will v Sam

In leaked text messages between the league's two biggest representatives, Will's trash talk was seemingly ineffective against Sam.

"Papa had to take you down today… Ur ego to inflated… Never forget dada" – Will
"I know! Sad." – Sam
"That's no fun, be more angry" – Will
"Gotta give props where props are due, my boys shit the bed big time." – Sam
"I wish you were more hateful and angry as a person." – Will

Let this be a lesson to all. Stooping to a hater's level is exactly what they want. If you have grace and restraint, you can spin the frustration back on them.

Drake Maye Finally Does His Job: Ben pats himself on the back after his second-round draft pick FINALLY does what he is paid millions of dollars to do.

Week 4 Manager Press Conference

Ben: "This is what I see for our team. First step in the right direction. We are not done working and won't be until the season comes to a close."

Sam: "A huge let down for the franchise this week. Everybody has cracks, and it just took a while for ours to show. It all comes down to how we manage expectations and player recoveries. My guys give their all on the field, and we need to support them accordingly from the top down, especially behind closed doors. We will continue to train and act as the powerhouse of the league, but it will take a few shifts in our organizational alignment to pick up where we left off in week 3. We are confident that moving forward our guys will have everything they need to succeed."

Matt: "I smacked joe down to the ground and made him look at me with puppy dog eyes begging for mercy… and papa did not give him mercy."

Joe: "You must listen. The Jimmy John's sandwich store on 1 Harborside Drive in Boston has been taken over by a Nephilim cabal working in connection with the Babylonian Brotherhood."

Liam: "Big upset this week playing the worst team in the league. Wasn't expecting his comeback quite yet. I guess even a blind squirrel gets a nut every once in a while."

Isaac: "Somehow, despite my two running backs combining for 4 total points, I still beat Bowen. Honestly, I just feel bad for him at this point."

Bowen: "I've given up. My team looked good for the first half of the 1pm games and then chose to stop performing altogether, barely adding to my total at all. Seeing that performance from Ceedee Lamb in the second half, it's all over for me. 4/4 weeks projected to win. Under performed, and losing… At least Joe lost."

Danny: "Declined to comment."

Will: "I am de captain now"

Garrett: "I wasn't born with this last name for no reason."

Week 5 Preview

Sam (3-1-0) v Isaac (3-1-0)

Meeting in the middle after Sam's first loss, both teams are looking for a shot at second place.

Will (2-2-0) v Ben (1-3-0)

The battle of trash talk and name changes, who will break first?

Danny (1-3-0) v Liam (1-3-0)

After a slow start and rugged week 3 for both teams, the managers now look for new tactics to claw back from the below average record.

Joe (2-2-0) v Garrett (4-0-0)

Joe's painful schedule in full effect. We fully expect a high scoring matchup, the question is, will Joe finally break through the wall?

Matt (3-1-0) v Bowen (0-4-0)

The overly calm and confident demeanor from Matt may be exactly what Bowen needs to get his first win.

League Projections:

For the first time in the newsletter's history, we are including weekly updates from Yahoo's season projections. Here is where Yahoo thinks we will all end up.

Rank	Manager	Record	Pts For	Pts Against
1	Sam	13-1-0	1757.45	1551.95
2	Garrett	10-4-0	1627.98	1495.47
3	Liam	9-5-0	1608.41	1556.39
4	Will	9-5-0	1586.52	1627.85
5	Matt	7-7-0	1633.87	1561.45
6	Joe	6-8-0	1635.45	1616.94
7	Danny	5-9-0	1631.42	1626.01
8	Isaac	5-9-0	1540.16	1592.64
9	Bowen	5-9-0	1482.55	1680.14
10	Ben	1-13-0	1387.03	1582.00

While these are only projections, a few managers in the league may need to take drastic measures to secure their spot in playoffs. (and Ben may want to get started on his presentation)

Editor's Notes: Thanks for reading!

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