

TAYLOR HEINICKE

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Q. Taylor, first live action, first game, how did you feel?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: Lots of jitters. I think a lot of the guys did. So go back and look at film. Couple plays I wish I didn't make. Overall I think the offense moved the ball pretty well, and go look at tape and see what we can improve on.

Q. I know you out a lot of work in in the off season. Did you notice a difference out there?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: No, not really. I try not to think about it. You know, I did work hard this off-season. Tried to put on 15, 20 pounds of muscle so I can kind of withstand more than one game.

Yeah, I'm not really thinking about that out there.

Q. You got to say hi to your mom and step dad before the game. What was that like, having them here?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: It's awesome. They try and come to every game they can, so it's always nice seeing family. And for them to come all the way up to Boston from Atlanta, it means a lot. It's always nice having family at games.

Hopefully they can make it to Washington a couple times.

Q. We've seen so much from Dayami Brown in practice. As a rookie, what does he bring to the table?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: Dayami is a special talent, and you can just see it every day in practice. He's getting better, he's understanding the offense better, and he's got world-class speed on the football field. I know a lot of the offensive guys are very excited about him and I know Fitz is really excited about him as well.

So, again, we're really looking forward to seeing what he can do this year.

Q. Jaret Patterson is kind of popular; what have you seen from him?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: Yeah, he's a small dude but he's got a lot of toughness and he's really quick. If you go back and watch a lot of the tape from Darren Sproles back in the day with the Chargers, he reminds me a lot of him. Really quick. He can make people miss. So get the balls in his hands, it's really exciting to watch.

Q. You talked early in camp about wanting to improve throwing left. I wonder how you feel you're making progress in that area?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: Yeah, just every day work on it. Some days are better than others. Same thing throwing with the right. Again, Fitzy does a great job kind of pulling me over, weather it's throwing left or any other things I'm having trouble with that day of kind of showing me what he did in the past when he had problems like that.

Again, every day is a learning experience with Fitz, and I feel like I'm getting better every day.

Q. You have some rough days of practice and then you come out here and it's a solid outing in the game, does that encourage you that you're moving in the right direction?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: Yeah, yeah. The biggest thing for quarterbacks is just don't turn the ball over. Get some first downs, and if you get enough first downs it leads to points. I try and keep it simple, black and white like that, and it's kind of worked throughout the years through college and now.

If we can keep the ball in the offense's hands, that's the best thing we can do.

Q. What do you personally hope to get out of (indiscernible)?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: Just to keep getting better. Seeing improvement every week. The biggest jump is from pre-season one to pre-season two. A lot people have jitters, so you go out there and do some uncharacteristic things. When you go back and watch them on film, you've got hit a couple times from a different team, I think a lot of people get a lot more comfortable.

Q. Montez there leading that late drive. That must've



felt good to see him do that.

TAYLOR HEINICKE: It was awesome. Montez hasn't played a game since college with COVID last year and not being able to have any preseason. A lot of people were excited to he see him play. Got to see him in practice, not live contact, so for him to get on that field and run round and make some plays, we were all excited to watch that.

Q. Taylor, different situation for you coming in this year with fans just screaming your name everywhere you go. How did that feel coming off the field at the end of the game seeing jerseys and everything get thrown your way?

TAYLOR HEINICKE: It's cool. I've never been a guy that really want that. I'm a more reserved type of guy. Kind of taking a step back and looking at why they're saying my name, it kind of makes me -- I'm proud of myself for that.

Had a great game last year against Tampa, and now the biggest thing is just to keep that ball rolling.

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