

# Jacksonville Jaguars Media Conference

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## Jimmy Garoppolo

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JIMMY GAROPPOLO: Going to be tough to top that.

**Q. I think last week you made some sort of reference to the feeling after a long drive --**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: Eric was a fan of that one.

**Q. This week's drive was even longer. Do you sense that in the defense, especially as the game wears on, that something has happened here? What is it?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: You get a feel for it. I think it starts with their exhaustion because that play on the field in this humidity, it adds up on them. This one felt different than last week. It was more of a grinder type drive. Last week was just running down their throat type of thing. This week was a little different. Like George was saying before, I wish we would have finished with a touchdown, but it is what it is.

**Q. How bad did you want to get Trent Williams a touchdown?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: Oh, man, I told him I was throwing it to you, buddy, whether you were triple or quadruple covered. I tried. It's a tough one, though.

**Q. Kyle said it's the first time he has called that play and Trent has been asking for it for a while.**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: The catches he made in practice. He had a nice one-hander in practice. He can do it. We'll save that one.

**Q. Jimmy, this was kind of a trap game. Short week, cross-country, 10:00 a.m. Did it help to talk about that? Were you wary of this situation? And what does it say about the team that you had the kind of last seven days that you've had after that bad Arizona loss?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: It was definitely talked about. The time change, it's tougher than people think just getting up early, getting up in the morning earlier than you are used to, getting your mind going and everything, your body. It was tough, but I think guys responded well. There was some good energy in the locker room this morning, and that's always a good sign.

**Q. What do you think of that, just the way this team has responded after a really bad loss against Arizona?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: I think it's good. I think these past 14 days have -- I don't want to say changed our team, but it's definitely -- we're moving in the right direction now, I'll say. We just got to keep going. There's a lot of football left to be played. Minnesota is going to be a good challenge for us this week coming up, and we got to get ready for them.

**Q. There was good energy in the locker room. Is that something that you monitor or you are curious about in this exact kind of scenario?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: Sort of. We've had other East Coast trips where it's just I don't want to call it dead, but it's different in the locker room. Guys aren't as excited and everything. It was -- the mojo was going this morning. Guys were feeling it and feeling good. It's always a good sign when that's happening.

**Q. Metaphorically speaking you guys were getting bullied during the first half of this season.**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: I thought you meant today. I was like -- (Laughing).

**Q. You got a sack on you. The last two games you guys, I mean, 40-plus runs each time and just you look at the stats, and you look at the game. It's just like you're man handling two teams. I mean, you talk about offensive identity, but just does it feel like you have your swagger, like, okay, we're the big bad 49ers again?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: I think it's just guys are winning one-on-one matchups, and when you can do that consistently like we are and we've had -- we have good players on this team, obviously. That goes without saying. When you can all 11 across the board be winning one-on-one matchups, it kind of sets the tone for everything.

People playing man-to-man against us is tough. Up front our O-line, I mean, they're doing as good of a job as I have ever seen. I love those guys, and they battle every week. When you can do that stuff and set the tone in that way and then the defense just getting turnovers, doing what they do, it adds up on a team and it makes for a long day.

**Q. What did you think when Kyle called you back and said let's kick that field goal in the first drive?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: A little surprised, not going to lie. That's his decision. Whatever he decides, we're good with. I think we've shown that on fourth down we come through most of the time, so it's just a feel thing. Whatever he is feeling, I'm good with, and we'll make it work.

**Q. 10,000 career passing yards. Were you thinking about it? Does it cross your mind? Does it feel like you have 10,000 career passing yards?**

JIMMY GAROPPOLO: I didn't know until you just said that. That's pretty cool. Thank you. I don't know. That's cool. I didn't even know that. I don't know what to say. Thanks, guys.

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