The NFL Playoffs are Here — Whooopie!

Anyone who knows me knows that I am a huge fan of NFL football. And my team – the <u>Chicago Bears</u>.

My Bears did not make the playoffs. No, they blew it by losing to the Houstan Texans on week 17 — the last weekend of the NFL season. Instead, the Vikings won the NFC North and the Eagles magically stole the final wildcard spot by embarassing the Dallas Cowboys 44-6.

However, even with the Bears out of the playoffs I am still excited about the postseason. Unlike other popular sports which hold tournement-style elimination series, in the NFL it is lose-and-you're-out. To win the Superbowl you have to have a PERFECT postseason record. So the question now is, who will do it?

In the AFC you have the:

Colts — They started off slow but have been on fire since late October. Chargers — They're in the playoffs without a winning record (8-8)! Ravens — Inconsistent and lack luster. Dolphins — Had only ONE win last year — this year in the playoffs! Titans — Their best season ever. They want to win this for Tennessee. Steelers — Looking strong and Ben is ok.

In the NFC you have the:

Vikings — It is just hard to take this team too seriously. Giants — Last year they won the big game. They are favored to repeat the feat. Eagles — Needed help to get in — and they got it big time. Panthers — They have been winning all year. Solid all-around team. Cardinals — The Arizona Cardinals? In the playoffs? The CARDINALS? Falcons — This team was expected to be bad. They are in fact quite good!

This weeks games are:

the Dolphins VS. the Ravens - I PICK THE DOLPHINS BY 2 POINTS the Colts VS. the Chargers - I SAY IT'S THE COLTS BY 10 the Eagles VS. the Vikings - I LIKE THE EAGLES BY 3 the Cardinals VS. the Falcons - FALCONS BY 12

So, what are your picks?