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PackerChatters Staff:

Welcome Dan to PackerChatters Draft Chat. Let us know when you are ready Dan and we will start the questions from the fans with us tonight. Tonight's Chat as usual will run approximately 1 hour. We will try and get to all the questions in this short time frame.

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Dan Shonka:

Thank you for the opportunity to visit with such a knowledgeable group. We're cooking with Gas!!! Dan

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[Comment From mikep]

Dan,could Stephen Paea or Phil Taylor play DE in Don Capers system? THANKS

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Dan Shonka:

Both are ideally suited for other positions. Taylor would be the one with the best fit as a 5 technique.

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[Comment From packerboy]

Could see the Packers selecting Jeff Maehl or Greg Salas (or even both). Do you think they fit the Packers O & what round do you see them being drafted in? THANKS

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Dan Shonka:

Both are sure handed receivers. Maehl is probably not physical enough for what the pack is looking for and Salas may be a good 5/6 round pick

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[Comment From 1285]

Can Brandon Bair add 25-30 lbs to his frame or will he lose a step or two for doing so ?

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Dan Shonka:

Bair could add the weight. He does alot of good things..mature, hard working etc. Good developmental player.

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[Comment From CHAMPS]

What 3 players do you think the Packers have on their radar at 32 and what is your opinion on Chris Neild . What round do you see Chris being drafted in ?

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Dan Shonka:

Absolutely love Neild..Blue collar tough guy 5/6 th round. The 3 on the Radar Any that fall from the top 25 DE's :DE Ballard DE Iowa, Torrey Smith, Maryland and Akeem Ayers if he's there.

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[Comment From Jerry]

What is the deepest position this year in the Draft?

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Dan Shonka:

No question the defensive line..I've been scouting in the NFL for over 20 years and I don't remember a year like this..Inside DT's or outside DE's

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[Comment From Bob C.]

Thoughts on QB Scott Tolzien. Good backup QB for Packers in later rounds?

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Dan Shonka:

Yes, A game manager. Smart does everything right. My develop or be a solid backup

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[Comment From Caleb]

I think that the Packers will go with the BPA. Who do you see as a better fit for our offense: Torrey Smith or Jonathan Baldwin at WR?

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Dan Shonka:

The Pack will be looking to replace the wily vet Driver....Torrey Smith would be the pick. Finley can do some of the same things as Baldwin..Red zone receiver etc.

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[Comment From mikep]

Hearing alot of good things about Johnny White (RB). Think he would make a GREAT 3rd down back for the Pack. ROUND? YOUR THOUGHTS

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Dan Shonka:

White has got talent..but a guy like Noel Devine is more explosive..if he stays healthy

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[Comment From packerboy]
I believe Ryan Williams is a steal if selected in round 2. He reminds me of Barry Sanders. I could see Green Bay drafting Ryan at 32. YOUR THOUGHTS PLEASE !!!!!!!!

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Dan Shonka:
You're right Williams has a ton of talent..he doesn't have that rare foot quickness Barry had but Williams has a powerful lower body. Would be a great fit..

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[Comment From 1285]
Has James Carpenter moved into round 2?

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Dan Shonka:
We have him in the 3rd...he runs so hot then cold...you don't know what you're getting

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[Comment From CHAMPS]
Rank the top 5 zone blocking OT (1 thru 5) in this years draft ? THANKS FOR COMING DAN !!!!

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Dan Shonka:
Tyron Smith,Nate Solder,Castanzo,Carimi and Sherrod.You're welcome Thanks for asking

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[Comment From mark from madison]
if san diego offered both their 2nd round choices (50 @ 61), plus their 6th (178). for green bays 1st (32nd) and 3rd (96)-both 720 nfl value draft points. being the packer g. m. would you make this trade. thanks.

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Dan Shonka:
Value says yes but will our targeted players be there? If a stud is there ar 32 No but if we can get two good potential starters with the twos ...Do It.

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[Comment From RandyWrong]
What are your thoughts on Hankerson and Greg Little? How high do you think Little will go?

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Dan Shonka:
Have you been reading our draft Guide..that hasn't been printed yet? We love these two guys..Little was our #2 receiver heading into the fall...he would look good in Green & Gold..so would Hankerson..Hankerson has a few drops but he's a stud..

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[Comment From Sammy]

Kris O'Dowd seems to get a lot of 'Press' or is at least talked about. Is he that good or just another good guy that is over rated?

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Dan Shonka:

Little should go high in the 2nd but may fall

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Dan Shonka:

O'Dowd is a good player if he plays with good knee bend, When he gets up on his toes he can be pushed around. Plus he needs to stay healthy...He's as good as he wants to be....

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[Comment From Stan the man]

Out West we have some good players in the WAC...one of which is Dontay Moch from Nevada. What round do you project and could he be someone Ted Thompson would go after opposite Matthews?

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Dan Shonka:

Moch is all about speed.Yes he and Clay would play off each other...Moch looks like a third round pick

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[Comment From CHAMPS]
Are there any RED flags on Kenrick Ellis. If so, Please explain.

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Dan Shonka:
Ellis must 1st watch his weight...he is a good nose tackle prospect...we don't know all the red flag stuff...

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[Comment From drake]
your in a room with ted thompson and john dorsey. aaron had 2 concussions I know clay needs help but we have to protect aaron would you be aggressive and get tryon smith?Or would you get a tackle later and redshirt him under chad & brian thanks.

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Dan Shonka:
Good question.....I don't think the Pack can get up high enough to get Tyron..he could go at 9 if Jerry Jones wants to save Romo..If he falls he doesn't get past Detroit...The O-Line needs a tackle to step in for Clifton...

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[Comment From Mike Tice]
Who is the best OL that projects as a Left Tackle? Could Sherrod be that guy and will he fall to 32?

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Dan Shonka:
Tyron Smith,Solder and Sherrod are all left tackles...Carimi and Castonzo will get a shot at left tackle but we think they are right tackles only. Sherrod could be there if Chicago doesn't grab him...

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[Comment From packerboy]
Is Curtis Marsh a big reach at 64 ? Would he still be on the board at 96. (dont think so) THOUGHTS PLEASE

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Dan Shonka:
We have Marsh as a fringe 3rd/4th rounder so he should be there at 96

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[Comment From CHAMPS]
Can Aldon Smith play OLB in Capers D ? Would he be a good pick at 32 ?

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Dan Shonka:

We have spent more time on Aldon Smith to find out what he is???? he is so inconsistent it's scary...plus an injury history..yet he has talent. We don't think he can play up he must be a right edge rusher in the 4-3 front

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[Comment From Rich Fergy]

Do you think the Vikings will reach for a QB in the 1st round?

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Dan Shonka:

We gave them Newton at 12 but someone may pull the trigger before that. Their new off. coordinator has experience with a floating pocket so that puts several QB's into play.

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[Comment From david]

do you like jordan from uconn or d murray to replace brandon jackson.

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Dan Shonka:

Good question. Murray can do more..Todman basically got what was blocked he was't creative. Murray would be a great third down option.

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[Comment From BubbaOne]

Mark Ingram---some like him, some think he doesn't have what it takes to be successful. Your thoughts? And rate RB's Alex Green, Roy Helu, and Mario Fannin in regards to the Packers.

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Mark Ingram

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Dan Shonka:

Love Ingram..Has excellent running skills, toughness and a compact build. Fannin has some talent and would be a good late round pick. Green is an ascending

player..Helu is what he is ...a very good athletic with good vision and speed to [burn.One](#) back we really like no one is talking about is Allan Bradford USC...wow!

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[Comment From Ron Kryzenske]
Jordan Cameron (USC) and Rob Housler (Florida Atlantic) are tall, fast, and athletic tight ends who are not known for their blocking. Do you think that they could be productive NFL receivers?

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Dan Shonka:
We don't know if they can take a hit..Cameron is a very good athlete...Housler needs to get stronger

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[Comment From packdaddy]
McCarthy says he envisions having 2 LTs as bookends, eschewing the stereotypical RT. D. Sherrod seems to be a forgotten man these days. Isn't he a steal at 32 who would fulfill McCarthy's edict? Even you seem down on him. Give us the book on Sherrod.

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Dan Shonka:
We like Sherrod very much..A Long armed good tech.player that is mobile and athletic..plays from snap to whistle...a steal at 32....

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[Comment From redpack]
I like Ballard from Iowa better than Clayborn i'm I crazy?

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Dan Shonka:
No you're not crazy..it's just your preference..Ballard can play DE in a 3 man front or DT in a 4 man front plus a run stuffing right end in a 4 man front. Clayborn will be best as a run stuffing right end in a 4 man front. But Clayborn has shown pass rushing ability in the past.

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[Comment From DenverPackFan]
Where do you think M. Wilkerson will get drafted? Do you think he would be a good choice at #32?

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Dan Shonka:
Yes, But he may not make it...The Jets love him at 30

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[Comment From Jon]

Dan who will be the biggest surprise pick in the first round this year....maybe someone under the fans radar? Thanks.

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Dan Shonka:

Good question...It may be a QB like Locker or...Ponder..You heard it here first

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[Comment From Tom]

I really feel that JJ Watt is the perfect fit for the Pack's 3-4 defense. With Watt, Raji and a healthy Mike Neal the Pack could have a very dominate front. How high do you think the Packers would have to trade up to in order to select him? What are your thoughts on Watt?

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J.J. Watt

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Dan Shonka:

We loved Watt so much we gave him to Buffalo at 3..You're right he would be a great fit..and I'm sure he would love to play for the Pack...He is our 7th rated overall player..I just don't think the pack can get up that high to get him.....sorry....

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PackerChatters Staff:

Last question for Dan tonight goes to Randy Wrong.

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[Comment From RandyWrong]

Thanks for being here. Your guide/analysis is great. If you were picking #32 would you pull the plug on Jimmy Smith or would the character stuff scare you off?

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Dan Shonka:

Our first exposure to Jimmy was the Nebraska game...that was ugly..he looked lost....However Dom Capers may work with him in Man to man coverage..Woodson will work with him and you may have a star....he has rare natural talent..Thank you for your kind words....God Bless..and Good Night...

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PackerChatters Staff:

This concludes tonight's Draft Chat and we thank Dan for taking the time to be with us tonight. Dan will be back here in Live Draft Chat Monday April 4, 2011.

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PackerChatters Staff:

Thanks to all for coming with your Draft questions and to Dan for his great responses. Be sure to stop by the Ourlads.com to check out all the NFL/Draft information provided.

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