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## A COMP PREVIEW

In the words of the now HOF'er Terrel Owens "Get your popcorn ready," cause the 2018 PF3 Spring Season is going to be Lit!!! We'll start off with the preview of the "A" league teams, where you have the defending champs **CTS** looking to maintain the title of PF3 Champs. They will go into this season with dang near the same roster from last season, except they've added a bad ass linemen in Takeyon Harrison. That addition will only make Deuce Richardson that much more dangerous. Their defense will be top notch again with the likes of Jason Davis as one lock down corner and Styhl Driscoll rushing the passer.

I'm fairly certain there isn't to many people rolling out the red carpet for this next team. The reason being is they are five time PF3 champions ( 1x spring, 1x fall, and 3x summer league.) I compare them to the likes of Alabama or the Patriots, very very good team but because they win so much other teams dislike them. **Team Swift** is a squad stacked with talent on top of talent but found themselves in need of a QB for league play after Tony Lindsey retired. Well the answer came in the form of the ghost, Artie Barceló. That is quite a pick up I have to say. It should be interesting to see the transition from Lindsey who in my view is more of a pocket passer to Barceló who is a scrambler. Swift isn't going into the season blind not knowing how Artie will fit in, as they got some "practice games" under their belt by winning the Foothills Turkey Bowl tournament.

The team I feel that is being over looked from how they've performed over the last few seasons is the **Denver Goats**. Like Swift, the Goats have a change at quarterback. The quarterback that will lead the Goats this season is Derek "Doc" Holliday. Holliday is definitely in the argument for the G.O.A.T in Colorado flag football. They'll have to replace some pass rushing talent as Mario "Supra" Lopez won't be on the Goats this season. They still have a ton of talent on the defensive side, and will be lead by long time Goat Brian Rippley.

The team that turned heads last season after jumping out to a 5 and 0 start was the **NoCo Bulls**. David Knighton will once again be passing the ball to Moss Henderson and George Hill. That in itself will be a dangerous combo. Who knows what other Northern Colorado talent the Bulls have found to add. The only team to beat the Bulls last fall was CTS. With the experience from last season this team could be a title contender. They definitely have the talent to do so. I'm predicting someone from the Bulls will come away with some hardware at the end of the season.





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The **Colorado Menace** are looking for a redemption run after falling just short last season. Menace will be without Jesse Eaton at the helm behind center this season. He is still recovering from his accident that occurred last fall. Even though he won't be behind center, Jesse will be coaching Menace. To think for one second that Menace will completely fall apart, you are totally misguided. They will have former "The Empire" QB Korey "Go Pro" Wacker leading the team. Korey did a phenomenal job while leading Menace to the South Suburban winter league championship. Once again Menace will boast one of the most feared pass rushers in Donovan Haynes. Menace is built very similar to how the Broncos super bowl 50 team was built. Top notch pass rushing to pair with a top notch secondary.

**Mile High Built** could take a small step back as they have lost a couple of players from last season. It will be interesting to see who Ross Alisiani picks up to play QB. That's truly the only question for this team. They have all the other positions filled. If anything I could see Ross step in behind center as he has played there before. He already has the leadership down as he also leads from the defensive side at safety. Mile High Built will bring back there top three flag pullers in Keith Truitt, Ross Alisiani, and Eric Brown which should help to solidify their defense.

It should be interesting to see how **The Bros** (formally Denver Elite) will come out this season. Last season they started off slow but got it together enough to be in the thick of the playoff race. Falling just shy of making the playoffs will only add fuel to their fire for this season. Donell Wells, will once again be in the driver's seat. He'll be relying on Mike Waddy to help give him time to throw down field. From what I've heard, Waddy has been working on his technique to go along with his size. Of course you'll have the explosive DaVaughn Thornton and Jamiko Verner receiving the rock. On defense O'Brian Brooks will once again be gunning for the defensive player of the year. His defensive play could help propel The Bros to the playoffs.

The Final "A" squad will be the **Oilers**. The Oilers were able to get a taste of what "A" league has to offer from the 2017 summer league. As a relatively unknown team in the fall league, a lot of teams overlooked them. That was a mistake as the Oilers went on to go undefeated and win the "B" league championship. Even though the Oilers are very team oriented, Trevor Okamoto will be the determining factor of how far they go. They do have a stud MLB in Zane Norris. To go along with Zane they have a relentless pass rush.



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This season will produce one of the most competitive "B" leagues to date. We will see the **Denver Chiefs** and that high powered offense come back down to the "B" league. The Chiefs defense wasn't quite up to "A" league potential but they look to rectify that and get another opportunity in "A" league.

A team making their return to not just the "B" league but back to the PF3 after a couple seasons away is **FOE**. While FOE is a very solid team I don't foresee them winning this seasons championship.

On paper the team I feel is the favorite going into the 2018 spring season is the **Colorado Huskers**. The Huskers are the top five and six man flag football team in the state of Colorado, as proven by their numerous CFL championships and multiple out of state tournaments with high success. The Huskers are going to be trotting out six, that's right six PF3 award winners. That is quite enough about the team that everyone else will be gunning to take down.

My own team will be looking to bounce back from our 2-5 record last season and return to the playoffs. The guy that will hopefully be leading the **Assassin's** back to the playoffs will be long time Veteran QB Dave Maestes.

A couple of the new teams that will be making their first appearance to the PF3 is team **Merica**, who grabbed themselves a championship from the Hyland Hills league, and **Hall of Fame**. I don't know to much about this team but what I will say, that is a mighty high expectation of a name you got there. Hopefully you guys will live up to it. In my opinion both teams will be in the not as difficult division butttttt then again it is still pretty well stacked.





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The most physical team that didn't fair very well in the "A" league is team **SWAT**. Swat has a beast of an O and D line. That should give enough time for Matthew Marsh to toss the ball to the likes of Antonio Vance and the other play makers.

Four of the teams from last seasons playoffs making a return are **Kryptonite**, **Colorado Matadors**, **Mile High Intruders**, and **Lightning**. These teams should be in the conversation come playoff time. Obviously that's on paper but the actual results could be very different.

The **Mustangs** are making their sixth consecutive season in the PF3, even though it feels like so much longer. They are looking to improve on last season and get back to the success they had in their first season. They have been trying to figure things out while playing in the South Suburban dome league and against top notch teams.

The last teams that took off the fall season are **Alphas** and **Sudden Impact**. Alphas have been playing in the Carroll Butts league, so they shouldn't be to rusty. Sudden Impact on the other hand, I'm not sure they have played since the 2017 spring season. Some of the Sudden Impact players probably have played on other teams though.

Even though **Freestyle** and **Red Raiders** where late to the party, they still were able to get registered and max out the number of teams in B league with 16. Freestyle was established in 2010 and since has become a very tight-knit group. Since there inception they have picked up several championships. Three of those championships have come in the Hyland Hills league. Couple that with trophies in foothills and the Apex leagues. They are the epitome of an evolutionary team, going from a 5 man squad, to 8 man in the lower competitive leagues, to now competing in the most competitive league there is. They will have Greg Baldassar (I'm dubbing the Pokemon just off his name lol, no disrespect) playing QB. This team could very well be in contention to make a run in the playoffs. The Red Raiders will be coming to the PF3 after a couple of stints in the South Suburban dome league. They did get a small taste of the talent that premier has to offer as they faced Kryptonite, Menace, and Matadors in the winter league but under a different team name. When I last saw this team, they had picked up a few of the players from the Reapers (who made the playoffs in the fall B league). This team has athletes all over and will provide the league with another solid pass rush. Seeing as how stacked the league is this season, I don't see the Red Raiders making the post season falling just short.



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Here are my quick predictions surely to be wrong but I am ok looking like an idiot sometimes. In the "A" league my four playoff teams I believe will be CTS, Menace, Swift, and the Bulls. This doesn't mean I don't feel the other teams can't make the playoffs. In my opinion I believe all eight teams are playoff contenders. Due to my wrong predictions last year, I'm going to hold off on my championship team until I know who the playoff teams are.

In the "B" league the eight playoff spots will consist of the top four seeds in each division. For the morning division I believe the top two seeds will be the Denver Chiefs and the Denver Lightning. The remaining two seeds for the morning will come down between FOE, Hall of Fame, and Freestyle. Sorry Red Raiders, Sudden Impact, and Merica I don't think you'll quite make the playoffs this year. If anything this should be more fuel on the fire for your teams to prove me wrong.

In the Afternoon division I believe the Huskers and Mile High Intruders will lock up the top playoff spots. The final two spots I feel will be a battle between Swat, Kryptonite, and Assassins. Just on the outside will be the Matadors followed by Alphas. While I may have your team missing the playoffs in my predictions, that doesn't mean I feel your team isn't talented enough to make the playoffs. This year's predictions are very hard considering the competition.



## PREDICTIONS AND RANKINGS

### POWER RANKINGS

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Rank	Team	Trend
1	CTS <b>5 First Place Votes</b>	-
2	NoCo Bulls	-
3	Team Swift	-
4	Denver Goats	-
5	Colorado Menace	-
6	The Bros	-
7	Mile High Built	-
8	Oilers	-
9	Colorado Huskers	-
10	Denver Chiefs	-
11	Kryptonite	-
12	SWAT	-
13	Mile High Intruders	-
14	Denver Lightning	-
15	FOE - Family Over Everything	-
16	Assassins	-
17	Colorado Matadors	-
18	Freestyle	-
19	Denver Alphas	-
20	Sudden Impact	-
21	HOF - Hall of Fame	-
22	Red Raiders	-
23	Merica	-
24	Mustangs	-

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## FINAL WRAP & FEARLESS LINES

This season I won't just be writing the game review articles, I have also accepted the field manager roll for the "B" league. I will be sure to follow in the previous field managers footsteps and uphold the league rules and regulations. With taking this position I will be making my articles a lot more in-depth just as I do with the "A" league.



**REMINDERS:** It is on the team captains to make sure their players know the rules and follow them. Their is absolutely **NO FIGHTING**. Doing so will result in suspensions. The rules are there for a reason. If fights happen then we could be kicked off the Manual High School Fields or Infinity Park. Speaking of which, after each game the sidelines will be checked to make sure the trash has been cleaned up. Fines will be implemented to teams that leave their sidelines trashed. So teams please clean up after yourselves and your fans. Lets have good sportsmanship and have a good competitive season.

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### COLORADO FLAG FOOTBALL CORNER - FEARLESS LINES

A COMP		
Favorite	Line	Underdog
CTS	-4	Oilers
Team Swift	-3	The Bros
Colorado Menace	-1	Denver Goats
NoCo Bulls	-6	Mile High Built
B COMP		
Favorite	Line	Underdog
Denver Chiefs	-5	FOE
Hall of Fame	-7	Merica
Red Raiders	-1	Sudden Impact
Freestyle	-3	Denver Lightning
Mile High Intruders	-2	Colorado Assassins
Kryptonite	-5	Colorado Matadors
Colorado Huskers	-10	Denver Alphas
SWAT	-8	Mustangs





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| 2. Sikwidit (NV) – Verbally Committed!           | 18. Cali Coalition (CA) - Verbally Committed!   |
| 3. CTS (CO) – Verbally Committed!                | 19. Denver Rockers (CO) – Verbally Committed!   |
| 4. Denver Goats (CO) – Verbally Committed!       | 20. DaBears (UT) - Verbally Committed!          |
| 5. AZ Union (AZ) – Verbally Committed!           | 21. Colorado Menace (CO) - Verbally Committed!  |
| 6. Seattle Baddogs (WA) - Verbally Committed!    | 22. Colorado Springs VIP (CO) - Interested      |
| 7. Misfits (UT) - Verbally Committed!            | 23. Long Beach All-Stars (CO) - Interested      |
| 8. Denver Elite (CO) - Verbally Committed!       | 24. Goodfellas (OH) - Interested                |
| 9. Oilers (CO) - Verbally Committed!             | 25. Long Beach All-Stars (CO) - Interested      |
| 10. NoCo Bulls (CO) - Verbally Committed!        | 26. CV Demons (CA) - Interested                 |
| 11. DNA - Verbally Committed!                    | 27. Spokane Outlaws (WA) - Interested           |
| 12. Team Swift (CO) - Verbally Committed!        | 28. Unleashed (CA) - Interested                 |
| 13. Denver Alphas (CO) - Verbally Committed!     | 29. Grizzly City - Fresno (CA) - Interested     |
| 14. Denver Chiefs (CO) - Verbally Committed!     | 30. –   |
| 15. Colorado Matadors (CO) - Verbally Committed! | 31. –   |
| 16. Kryptonite (CO) - Verbally Committed!        | 32. –   |





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