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SUBJECT/SUJET: Ottawa Redblacks Head Coach Rick Campbell and Calgary Stampeders Head Coach Dave Dickenson participate in the 104th Grey Cup, presented by Shaw, Head Coaches' news conference during Grey Cup week.

Moderator: If some of the camera crews that are here, you're not the ones at practice please inform your colleagues. We're also going to send a reminder shortly. Now onto this morning run of show. Both coaches will enter the room in the next few minutes.

They'll go behind the trophy for a photo op. First I'm going to ask still photographers to clear the centre of the area so that the cameras in the back can take a shot. Then we'll follow with you. I'll give you a thumbs up so you can take (inaudible: technical difficulty from source).

Bonjour tout le monde, good morning. Welcome to the 104th Grey Cup Head Coaches press conference. Bonjour tout le monde. Bienvenue à la conférence de presse des entraîneurs chefs de la Coupe Grey. Je suis Olivier Poulin, Directeur des communications et des affaires publiques à la ligue canadienne de football. I'm Olivier Poulin, Director of Communications and Public Affairs at the League office.

We'll go straight to questions. If you have a question please raise your hand so I can see you and add you to the list. Please introduce yourself. Let me hear who you're representing and who should be answering your question. As I said you were the last one but you're also the first one.

Question: Terry Jones, The Edmonton Sun and Edmonton Journal. I'd like to ask both coaches to deal with the similarities that you see involved other than your style and your demeanour and all that sort of thing. Obviously you follow each other's careers and all that and we'll open with you Dave. Have you learned how to win with class and what is that all about?

Dave Dickenson: Thanks for the question. I'm not too concerned about any of that stuff to tell you the truth. I personally feel like the Calgary Stampede organisation is a classy organization and it's also a lot of support. I started in that organization back in '96 with Wally and with John Hufnagel and didn't know much about it but I learned real fast about the high expectations.

Basically except for that little hiccup I guess when the owners changed and I don't know what happened in that time, it's been 20 plus years of good football. I feel like the community team. I feel like I've got a lot of support from management and for me football is a fun game. I've always been in it. My dad is a coach, my brother is a coach.

I just enjoy the game and I basically enjoy the process. I like the game and I'm glad that I was able to work with Rick. I think we all take little pieces of what everybody else does and fit it into yourself and your own personality. I'm just trying to be myself and really enjoy Calgary and the process.

I think I get a lot of help from our management, obviously still have Huff involved which is nice and just believe that if you have that consistent voice and you get the help from the top you should be able to get a good product on the field. I think we do that.

Rick Campbell: We're still pretty young. We're only in our 3rd year and when I came from Calgary we were trying to take the best parts of what we knew, Marcel and I and everyone that we brought to Ottawa. Calgary has many good examples. There's a reason why they win a lot more games than they lose and it's all the things Dave said about keeping the focus on football and trying to win games and making decisions that help the football team win.

That's what we strive to do in Ottawa and we're going to try to build that consistent we hope over time that we can be a team that's regularly in the playoffs and competes. That's what we're striving to do.

Question: Wally Bono (ph) was recently talking about having a conversation with Don Matthews (ph) about the pressure to win once you're already on top. Both of you have a different situation. Dave you took over a team that won a lot of games and now you've won a whole bunch of games. Is there pressure to finish?

For you Rick, the same thing, you were in the Grey Cup last year and came out on the wrong end. Is there pressure to come out on the right end this year?

Rick Campbell: There is pressure. When there's high expectations within the organization which I think is a good thing, it's a healthy thing that you're expected to compete every year. Like I said about trying to be a playoff team year in and year out, there definitely is pressure but I think it can be a healthy thing, especially if everybody's working together and pulling in the same direction – management, the

coaches, the players because it is very hard to win in pro sports. You've got to do a lot of things right and not screw it up. That's what we strive to do.

Dave Dickenson: When you started the question you said Wally was talking. That sounds about right, yeah. No, listen, I'm in my first year. Like Rick said I have a philosophy that coaches can help but you're really at the mercy of your players. Players win and lose games.

Now, coaches can help screw it up as well so I think we give them a little bit of help and some tips but it's still the players' game. We put a lot of faith and trust in them. You have to have the right guys and it's a lot about personalities, how they mix and match. I still think like Rick said there's a ton of talent on every CFL team.

I think fans don't realize how hard it is to win especially if you've done it year in year out but every game is a big challenge. If you look back on it, some may be easier than others but the work is still put in. The guys, the bodies get beat up so every chance you get to win a championship or get to this game you'd better make sure you're prepared and do it right because you just don't know when it's going to happen again.

Question: Dave, good morning. Starting 0 and 1 and then the tie week three against the Redblacks, you're 1, 1 and 1 through three weeks, did you at all have any doubt? Did you wonder about this whole head coaching thing? Did you feel any specific heat early in the season? Can you elaborate a little on that?

Dave Dickenson: It seems like forever ago but when we lost week one I actually told Rick this and week three, I was – we needed to win week two because I knew we were going to come into Ottawa which they were obviously one of the best teams in the league and they were rolling. I knew that was going to be a big challenge.

When we came out and played the football we wanted in week two versus Winnipeg that to me kind of was a breath. I was able to breathe a little bit and you know I didn't know how the expectations were going to be. I personally felt a lot of people had us in the middle of the pack.

I think most people did not think we were going to have anywhere close to the year we had with all our change but I learned through the years as player mainly that just control what you control. Don't stress what you can't control. You just go to that week. You just go to that week, you play that game. You do the best you can and life's not going to basically end for you.

I've seen it where to me you've got to enjoy your job. You better go out there and do your best but just enjoy your job, let it fall where it may. I'm not lacking confidence. I believe I can get the job done and have so I thought that would happen again. I got a lot of help. I got a good staff, a lot of help with upper management, so you know I thought we were going to get her done.

Now if we would have snowballed down the hill and who knows if that would have happened but I was sure glad to get that win in week two and it felt like the tie in week three was big for us. We were going on a buy. It felt like that still was a hard, hard-earned point and then we kind of rolled from there.

Moderator: Next question from Steve Simmons there in the middle then we'll go to Malcolm Kelly.

Question: Dave, you've played the position, you've coached the position. When you try and put – based on your years in the league, when you try and put in context where Bo fits historically how great a CFL quarterback is he?

Dave Dickenson: That's kind of for you guys to decide. I think he's proven he's as big a winner as anybody. All of us just want to be remembered for certain things, the hard work, good people doing the right things and then ultimately you want to be a winner. To me I just don't you can argue anything about any of those situations with Bo.

I think Henry is the same way. I think you look at an organization that wins and you've got some pretty darned good quarterbacks sitting back there especially in the CFL. I think they win and lose games so for Bo – you're talking legacy and marking the game and that sort of stuff. He's still only in his fifth year so I think he's got a lot to do but he should be considered right up there with the best start of a career as anybody in the league.

Question: When you look back at the Calvillo's and the Flutie's however you ranked yourself and however you rank everybody else that's in the Hall of Fame, after that period of time, where do you think he --?

Dave Dickenson: Anthony was about out of a job at his fifth year. If you remember right Anthony was close to getting out of the league. That's why you can't really – let's just wait till it finishes and see where it all kind of fits but he's had a great start. The one thing about Bo which I think was important was he was patient.

Obviously all of us think we can play earlier than maybe it happens for us but I think it was good for him to sit back and watch a little bit and really get to understand what we do and the continuity of the system is the same. That means a lot to quarterbacks but I think it's one of those hypotheticals that more fans and that can just banter around. I think obviously he was the best player in the league this season and he is still improving. Those are all good things.

Moderator: Next Malcolm Kelly up front followed by Jim Morris and Gary Lawless again.

Question: Malcolm Kelly from cbcsports.ca. My question is for Coach Campbell. Having been through this last year, do you bring a notebook with

you in your head or written down somewhere of things that you did that week last year that you might change or do different and the things you would like to do this year?

Are you a different coach going into this year? Obviously more experienced but are you a different coach going into this year's game than you were last year?

Rick Campbell: I'm not drastically different but I sure hope I can get better. I think whoever it is, a player, the coach or whoever it is you want to work at your craft and try to get better. I had a decent idea going into last year of Grey Cup Week.

I'd been with some other teams to Grey Cups before so I fortunately have had the experience. The thing I did is I did look through all my notes and add a bit. To me the great thing about the Grey Cup week is making sure everything is scheduled correctly.

There's a lot of stuff that's happening especially in a big city like Toronto and you want to make sure the players have all the time they need to prepare to win the game. That's why we're here.

Meeting time, practice time, all those things and the more you can deflect the stress off them making sure everything runs smoothly during the week then they can just focus on football and you're not worried about running around putting a bunch of fires out so that from the grand scheme of things, to me that's the big part. I also think there's a place this week for the players to enjoy their friends and family. I think there's a balance to it and I think the better organized it is that's going to help them.

Moderator: The next question is from Jim Morris.

Question: Hello Dave. It's Jim Morris from cfl.ca. In your first year of coaching did anything surprise you? Was anything different than you thought it would be coming into the job?

Dave Dickenson: Not really, not really. I feel like I've been prepared for a while. Huff (ph) gave me a year to think about it and I think I'm smart enough to figure it out in a year, at least what I want to plan and what I want to do. It wasn't like it was thrown on me. It felt like I was ready and excited and I really felt like the season went way better than I could have hoped. I'm right in a position where I guess you dream of and I'm really happy our team has been able to carry me along.

As far as coaching, I don't know, maybe the challenges, that's been the – with the officials and all that, that's been the biggest difference for me. I try to game manage. I try to do those types of things before and still calling the offence. To me it was pretty much status quo, let's go.

Rick Campbell: Was that for me too? Yeah, I still remember when I was in Calgary and I walked into Huff's office and I had been offered the job in Calgary

and I actually asked Huff. I said, do I want to do this? Do I really want to go be a head coach? Because I trust his advice and it's been good. It has been good.

I'd been around football enough to have a pretty good idea of what it entails of just managing people and dealing with that. It's been a great experience and I definitely appreciate the support I have from our owners and our management, Marcel and all the people. It makes a huge difference. The one thing I learned is you want to go into a situation where you have a chance to win or a chance to grow. So far, so good.

Question: What does Huff say?

Dave Dickenson: Get the hell out.

Rick Campbell: He says you're crazy, but go ahead, do it.

Moderator: Next question from Gary Lawless.

Question: For both of you, Rick for you first, Henry made the comment this week that like he was the MOP last year and he said people say about me in the same sentence that I'm a Hall of Famer but then that I'm good heck and bad heck (ph). From your perspective does he have anything left to prove or should the book be closed on Henry Burris that he's just a great quarterback who's going to go into the Hall of Fame?

Rick Campbell: I think he's done certainly a great job for us and sometimes he likes to talk about that, some motivation for him or something but he's got nothing to prove to us. His demeanour is actually very good around us coaches and players and stuff. That's not the – that's just never discussed I guess. We're just worried about trying to win the football game and he's been good the last two years.

He had a great training camp this year. He played well in our first Edmonton game, got hurt and then when he finally got back healthy he played well again. He's done well so to me he just needs to worry about playing good football and I have great respect for any player or coach or anybody that can do it over time for a long time.

Because there's a lot of people that come and go, a flash in the pan or something and when you can succeed and play well in this league over time then that's a good thing.

Question: So Dave, you competed against Henry. You were peers in the league at the same time. You played games against him. What was your view, when you were a player, not now? What was your – and then maybe you can follow with what you think now but as a player what did you think of Henry when you were going up against him?

Dave Dickenson: Same stuff Rick said. I think he's very talented. He came in the year after me. He's a little skinny guy, country in Oklahoma and to me

he's grown into it. He's had a great career. I think he's done real well. He's done great in fact so I am hoping he doesn't have his best game on Sunday. I know it's not going to be easy but listen, he's done great and he's a good guy.

He's got a nice family, all good things. He's proven he belongs with the top guys. Like Rick said, sometimes guys want motivation for this and that, whatever. Just go out there and really it's determined between the lines and that's how it will be again on Sunday.

Question: David Schultz from the Globe and Mail. For both coaches, first for Dave again going back to your experience with Henry as a player, what is it that he's been able to do maybe on the physical side of things and remain successful at an age where most quarterbacks have retired?

For Rick, what is it that Henry does on the mental side of the game that again lets him be successful for such a long period of time?

Rick Campbell: I'll speak on the mental part first. He loves the game still. He likes prepping, he likes going to meetings, he likes practice, all those things. To me that's what it's all about for any job, anybody in the world your job. If you like going to work then you're probably going to do a good job at it.

I think he truly loves it still. Football can be a grind and it can wear you down and he shows no signs of that right now. Sometimes you see guys either physically or mentally they're just kind of – it can wear on them and he just shows no signs of that. He truly loves preparing and doing that. I think that's the biggest part about it. Obviously there's a whole genetic side of it that he just seems to last longer but you can speak on the physical part.

Dave Dickenson: I don't speak on longevity as a player. I remember being on the sideline a lot. I think Rick hit it on the head. The guy's obviously genetics but hard work has to play a part in that. I think that obviously whatever he's doing he's doing the right things. He's got some secrets that he could let us know I would keep our guys healthy but he's had a long career but a very healthy career.

Obviously everyone knows he loves the game, more likely like you said just one of those things where he's got a great personality and he's a good leader. Probably Rick would say a guy that every team would want.

Question: Mike Johnson, Sports Net, a question for Rick. A lot of attention is obviously going to be on Henry this week but a strength of your team has been quarterback depth all season. In talking to coaches and some players early in the year and before the year, they're going to be competing for starting spots and reps and practice but the feeling is that the three or four quarterbacks that you have this year really got along and had a continuity. What's that been like all season and how is that going to help you on Sunday?

Rick Campbell: I give full credit to all of our quarterbacks because they truly are – they get along and they truly get along, not just at the practice facility but they'll spend time outside of it as well. I particularly give Henry and Trevor credit both because it was always about what was best for the team and us winning the football games.

I truly appreciate their leadership that way and they weren't worried about stats or any of that stuff. There are so many examples in this league over the years where it took more than one quarterback to get it done. You need more than one proven winning veteran quarterback and we wouldn't be where we are today without Trevor and Henry both with the way they played and their attitude. It makes a big difference.

Question: Going hand in hand with that, the receivers that you have, two back to back years four thousand yard receivers what's so special about that group that the quarterbacks can rely on?

Rick Campbell: The continuity helps. When guys play together they can develop some chemistry and that's a big help. Also again our guys have a good chemistry about them. They enjoy playing with each other and I think it transfers onto the field but good on them. Like I say I have great respect for anybody that can do anything over time and for our receivers to do that, good on them. Good on them for staying healthy and available.

Question: Rick, you mentioned how well Trevor and Hank got along in the room. That said how difficult was it to go back to Henry from a big picture perspective? I think we all knew you brought in Trevor to be the quarterback of the future. It looked at times this year like that was going to be now.

I think he had back to back 300 yard games when you made the change. From a big picture standpoint how difficult was the decision?

Rick Campbell: It was difficult but I appreciated it from the head coach point of view that I was choosing between a good thing and a good thing. We feel we can win with both of them. I said that actually from the very beginning at training camp that we were fortunate enough to have two guys that we think we can win with either one and our players feel that way too.

When we went back to Henry he was finally healthy again. You could see him at practice cause he had the zip on the ball. His finger was feeling well. He came back and he was cleared to play but he still couldn't grip the ball quite right but when he really got back going healthy and I know our offence had a comfort level with him, that they played with him all of last year and Henry brings some good leadership and belief to the whole thing. Like I said choosing between good and good is a good problem to have.

Question: Dave, I'll ask you about Bo. You've been asked a lot about legacy and how good he is. I remember early in your coaching career when it was Kevin Glenn and Drew Tate battling for the starting job but Bo was there and you said to me before a game that everyone is talking about these two but this guy is going to be real special. What did you see early on that made you know he was going to be real special?

Dave Dickenson: You just kind of get a feeling sometimes and you can see it's not too big for a guy the step. We looked at him in college and then you meet him and you just sometimes get a feeling. You're not sure but at that stage I felt like he was competing fairly evenly with two guys that are good football players so I thought he would be the guy.

Then it just requires you almost to have a little bit of courage to make that decision. You always think they might be that guy but when you have vets sometimes it's hard to make that. We've been pretty good as an organization to say, you know what, I think it's time and we're going to let them grow through any pains that they have.

For Bo there really weren't a lot of growing pains. He stepped right in. He did play in the Grey Cup period in 2012 and looked every bit the part. That was as a third stringer that year. He enjoys the moment. I'd like to say that for me certain times in games it's maybe even clearer than practice or even your performance upticks and I think Bo is one of those guys. He's good in practice but I think he even gets better in the games.

Question: Don Landry from cfl.ca. Rick, a question for you on the Redblacks regular season. I think there was a sense all along that it was disappointing and inconsistent at least from the outside looking in. I wonder if you'd comment on that and then on the last two or three outings being much more maybe what the team was supposed to look like all season long.

Rick Campbell: I guess the one piece of good news is we were a 500 football team heading into the last week and I guess the city of Ottawa, the fans organization, everybody is starting to have an expectation that we should be good and I think that's a healthy expectation.

The other thing is we played a lot of close games and last year we won – we became experts at making some plays in the fourth quarter to win a close game. This year we were kind of 500. We won some, we lost some. We played four overtime games. The thing I think that's helped us in the long run is our players have a true appreciation for making sure we play good football.

If we can win the turnover battle and we can win the penalty battle we're pretty tough. If we hurt ourselves too much it creates problems for us. It's been a learning process that way but I'm happy that people have some expectation from us that we should be good. I think that's a good thing.

Question: A question first for Rick and then for Dave, Gord Holder from Post Media Ottawa. Two Grey Cup games in three years, is it really that easy?

Rick Campbell: No, and it's – I have a great appreciation for it because like you said it's a sinking feeling especially when you get really close to going, you get to the east or west final and then you're sitting at home this week. It's a bummer. I have a great appreciation for being here. I liked our players this year.

One thing I liked is last year we came to the Grey Cup last year to work and win but we were so excited about getting there especially as a new team. This year when we won the east final our players, we were happy but they transitioned very fast to wanting to win one more and knowing how hard it is and these opportunities don't come around and how tough a task this is going to be to play Calgary.

I was happy to see they were shifting into that mode and knowing we want to do everything we can this week to put our best foot forward cause that's what it's going to take for us to have a chance. I think it's also good our guys we stood in the locker room in Winnipeg last year. It came down to the last 2 or 3 minutes like it always seems to with us and just to be on the wrong side of the score and to be standing in that locker room and you kind of have that sinking feeling.

I know we have a large group of guys that just want to make sure that this week we do everything we can to make sure we're ready to go to give ourselves a chance because it doesn't come around all the time.

Question: For Dave, you're with a team that has a sustained period of success. This is your first Grey Cup as a head coach. Did you expect to continue that run of success or did you feel pressure from having to do so?

Dave Dickenson: I just basically live in the moment. I just week to week, that's the best way. It's cliché but there's a reason it's cliché. It works. I didn't even think about it. I think I just wanted to coach well and win the next game. The next game just happens to be the Grey Cup. My plan is to coach well and win the next game and figure it out from there.

Question: For Dave, Steve Simmons from the Toronto Sun. Being a first year head coach is difficult enough and learning on the job. There's no template to be faced with tragedy in mid-season. How did you deal with it? How did you deal with it from a team perspective and how difficult was it?

Dave Dickenson: It was tough, it was. It's just one of those situations not that any of us think about it. You don't think – it shouldn't happen, super sad that it did happen. You just try to be honest with your guys and be yourself. There were some tough moments and there still are. I mean it's not over but I didn't have a template.

I didn't know what to tell the coaches, the players and it's just to me you don't want to get on the political soapbox but it just shouldn't happen. First off the kid comes from Detroit and he comes to Calgary, it just shouldn't happen.

Put football in perspective and like you said it's got to be in our hearts and I think the whole league, if you look at the whole league it hurt and affected them. To me just got to be honest with it and don't ignore it but also guys, enjoy what you have, your family and then play the games. It was tough. I can't say that I handled it well but I just did my best and the guys certainly have a purpose. We play for more than just ourselves.

Question: Dan Ralph from Canadian Press. For the two of you, did you ever when you worked together, it's ten o'clock at night and you've had a long day, talk about would it ever be cool to play against each other as head coaches in a Grey Cup?

Rick Campbell: We usually talked about music or celebrity crushes or things like that.

(Laughter)

Do you want to ask Dave who his celebrity crush is?

(Laughter)

I don't want to get him in trouble. I always like I say I have a lot of respect for Dave cause I get Dave and where he's coming from. I guess I'm a pretty simple guy like him and just trying to take things as they come. Calgary's got a great environment and they've a lot of good guys like Dave and Huff and they're whole coaching staff and players, but not real specifically about Grey Cup, did we? I guess maybe about how crazy it would be to be head coaches.

Dave Dickenson: I also really enjoyed – I actually worked with him and then as far as on the offensive side and then when Rick went over to the def. coordinator. I learned a lot from Rick. He's done it all, special teams then he comes over in offence, defensive coordinator, head coach. He's put in his time.

Obviously we know the story about his dad and his family and there was high expectations and he's living up to them. Like he says, I think we are similar. We basically like smaller towns and good people. We like to surround ourselves with that type of environment. I can't speak for him on that as far as I'm not in love with his music choices. But overall it was always good conversation.

One thing I'll tell you with Rick is I'd say Rick, what if I did this, what would happen. He'd say, well, it'd be a conversation as a defensive guy and so that sort of banter back and forth allowed me to be a better coach, to come up with some things that can cause

conversations because when you cause conversations, indecision, that's how I think offensively you can sometimes have an advantage. I learned a lot. I enjoyed the years with Rick. It was fun to have him on the staff, didn't really get past that year. That's how I operate but I think it's pretty cool coaching a game against him and that both of our teams have had success.

Question: Dave, when did you start seeing Singleton really emerge as a guy who could end up being your starting middle line backer? Rick when Taylor Reed became available what made him such an attractive option for you guys?

Dave Dickenson: That's an interesting side note on the game. I thought Alex, I thought we got a steal in the draft. It took a lot for me to even draft the guy because he's from Montana State and being a Griz I knew I was going to take some heat. I just thought he was probably maybe the top guy or one of the top guys in the draft.

I felt we were very fortunate to get him. Now, when I say that I didn't necessarily think he was coming in to be our starting line backer. For us and Rick knows that's a lot of communication, a lot of leadership as well as a lot of skill. He just seemed to keep showing up and at that stage Taylor had an ankle injury.

Once Alex got his chance to me he just took the reins and ran with it. We just felt like it was the right thing to do and at that stage Taylor was not in love with being a backup so you know what. That's fine. We've got good depth. We'll move forward. It's been a positive for our team and from what I'm seeing on film a positive for Ottawa as well.

Rick Campbell: By the way we had Alex Singleton on our neg (ph) list as an American so we're a little hurt over that one. He was American and became Canadian and then had to go off our neg list and was in the draft. He is a good player even if he went to Montana State.

Taylor has been excellent for us, especially personality. He's been good on the field. He's a good football player but he's truly just fit in. We had a few injuries we had to overcome and he's filled in well and gets along well in the locker room. Thrilled that we were able to get him. Sometimes things happen in football that it depends on what roster you're on and how things fit on teams.

Sometimes players go from one team to another and it's just the way the football world works. It doesn't necessarily mean the guy's a good player or a bad player. It's just kind of how rosters get stuck together. It was the right place at the right time for Taylor and for us. It's been a good fit.

Question: (Off microphone)

Rick Campbell: Him and Damaso Munoz both can do that. They're both fully capable. It's a good thing that you brought up there too about the calls.

He's a guy that understands about the whole defense, understands what's going on so he can be a leader out there.

Question: Kind of a two part question along the theme of you guys having worked together and sitting up late at night talking X's and O's. Is it different when you coach against someone that you know the way they think football-wise. Has that ever come into when you're trying to figure out what to do , what would Dickenson do in this situation, what would Campbell do? Is that different than coaching with somebody you don't know? You made a couple of references to music. What are your guys' musical preferences?

Dave Dickenson: I'll let Rick handle it, go ahead.

Rick Campbell: I don't know. I think there's a different game plan every week. You kind of understand people's nuances. One of the best things I did in my career was going on the offensive side of the ball which I've never done. Dave and Huff were probably looking at me like who's this guy but just learning.

It was good for me to see how the other side of the ball thinks, not just study them on film but get in their brain and these were as good guys as you could be around as far as understanding how offences work. I think there's so much game planning that goes on week to week that you could maybe pick up a few things but I think that's a little bit overrated.

I lived a lot in the grunge years of Sound Garden and Pearl Jam and all that type of stuff. That was kind of my – we're similar age groups but I'm pretty diverse in my music selectin right now. How about you Dave?

Dave Dickenson: He's very diverse, trust me. Just on that note with coaches and all that, basically you do what you do. You're going to try to execute your stuff and you're not really that concerned about the personality.

One thing about it is maybe the other coach is more of a gambler or if you know he's going to play it close to the vest. I know – not to give up anything but I know Rick with his special teams and there's just lots of things, lots of scenarios that he does. That's the thing about when you go against his teams. You'd better be ready for anything. That's the challenge because you know there's new stuff, very creative, lots of different plays that can come at you.

Mainly what you focus on is your own stuff. You're not necessarily playing the other coach. You're just playing that team. It really just comes down to little one on one match-ups. As far as who's on the other sideline I'm not too concerned about that. It's just more about our guys and then I let Devon Clayburgh (ph) handle the music now. He seems to be more of the generation.

He seems to have a closer tie to our players. Devon gets the music at our practices and Brent Motts (ph) and those guys. No-one wants to listen to what I listen to, trust me. It's probably the same answer I'm going to give to Terry's question. We do not need to go there. No-one is that interested.

(Laughter)

Moderator: Speaking of that question if there are no further questions I have nothing more on my list. We will go to the Jim Shaky Hunt memorial question. Camilla, can you bring the mic? Even though everyone knows the question but still we'll make sure everyone at home is able to hear it.

Unidentified: The question was actually born with Shaky getting bored with X's and O answers at this function over the years so he'd throw it out every once in a while for his own amazement and amusement. The question is to deal with your philosophy on your players having sex during Grey Cup week.

Dave Dickenson: Go ahead Rick.

(Laughter)

Rick Campbell: I just don't want to get in trouble with my mom again cause if I'm talking about sex on national media she's saying, hey what are you doing there buddy. I don't know. If you don't succeed try, try again. I guess that's our motto this year for the Grey Cup so.

(Laughter)

Dave Dickenson: Keep it consistent. You've been doing it all year, keep doing it. This is no different week so watch out Toronto.

(Laughter)

Moderator: On that note thank you gentlemen. Thank you members of the media.