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Titans visit Detroit for first time since 2016 from sports page 1

Additionally, Compass Media Networks will broadcast the game to a national radio audience. Play-by-play announcer Bill Rosinski and analyst Merrill Hoge have the call.

LAST WEEK AT BUFFALO
The Titans were on the road last week at Buffalo, where they scored the game's first 10 points only to fall in the end by a final score of 34-10.

At quarterback, Mason Rudolph registered his first start since arriving in Tennessee during the offseason as an unrestricted free agent from the Pittsburgh Steelers. Will Levis, the team's starter for the first five contests, was out of the lineup and inactive due to a right shoulder injury. At Buffalo, Rudolph completed 25

of 40 pass attempts for 215 yards with one touchdown and one interception (74.5 passer rating). The Titans found the end zone against the Bills when Rudolph connected with wide receiver Nick Westbrook-Ikhine for a four-yard score. It was Westbrook-Ikhine's second consecutive game with a touchdown catch.

Despite the loss, the Titans defense ranks first in the NFL through seven weeks, allowing opposing offenses an average of only 272.2 yards per game. They rank third in the league in passing defense, yielding 166.7 passing yards per contest, and their 105.5 rushing yards allowed per game is the NFL's eighth-best number.

Grizzlies announce home opener... from sports page 3

Girls, outfitted by Varsity Spirit, Blue Bunch, Grizzline, Kings of the Court, Gary Goin on the House band and DJ Mic Tee.

Fans entering FedExForum through the grand lobby will enjoy music from DJ Mic Tee, along with sign making and tattoo stations. Fans who access the Big River Steel Terrace Level via the north escalator will immediately enter the tip-off party zone with DJ J-Mack, and additional sign making. Fans who use the south escalator will have an opportunity to meet members of the Grizz Girls. This season, fans will find the game night photo booth in the Big River Steel Edge, near section 201.

The Grizzlies will get a 24-hour jump on the opening night activities with multiple events throughout the Mid-South. The Grizzlies will host a Plaza Party on the Big River Steel Plaza on Friday, Oct. 25, from 4-6 p.m., where the first 250 adult fans in attendance will receive a pair of Opening Night tickets, courtesy of Ja Morant and Nike. Nike will be on-site with a customized Ja truck and will be giving fans the opportunity to win exclusive merch, including the new Ja 2 colorways. In addition to the Plaza Party, the Ja truck will pop up throughout the Mid-South all weekend long in celebration of the launch of the Ja 2's. Free parking is available for fans, starting at 2 p.m., inside the Gossett Motors Garage.

The Grizzlies will celebrate Opening Night with Street Corners across the city, giving fans the opportunity to win autographed items, tickets to the home opener and other Grizzlies

prizes. The crew will pop up at the following locations throughout the city on Friday, Oct. 25, and Saturday, Oct. 26. Fans can follow @memgrizz on Twitter/X to keep up with the events.

Friday, Oct. 25 7-9 a.m., East Parkway @ Sam Cooper
Friday, Oct. 25 11 a.m.-1 p.m., Germantown Rd. @ Highway 64

Saturday, Oct. 26 -8:30-10:30 a.m., Harbor Town Roundabout
Saturday, Oct. 26, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., East Parkway @ Poplar Ave

Fans unable to attend the game at FedExForum can catch all the action live on FanDuel Sports Network Southeast. The game will also be streamed live on FanDuelSportsNetwork.com. The play-by-play voice of the Grizzlies, Pete Pranic, will call the game alongside analyst Brevin Knight with Rob Fischer reporting courtside. Coverage on FanDuel Sports Network Southeast will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Grizzlies LIVE, presented by Ford and your Mid-South Ford Dealers, broadcast live inside FedExForum. Fischer will host the pregame show alongside Knight and Grind City Media's Chris Vernon. In addition, fans can listen to game action on 92.9 FM ESPN Radio featuring play-by-play broadcaster Eric Hasseltine and analyst Elliot Perry. Pregame coverage, hosted by Grind City Media's Jessica Benson, will begin at 6:30 p.m. Fans can also tune in to the game on their mobile devices through the official Grizzlies Mobile App.

Fans can purchase Memphis 2024-25 season tickets or partial plans by calling (901) 888-HOOP or to grizzlies.com/tickets.

Medical leaders from sports leagues meet from sports page 1

incumbent upon us as sporting leagues to find every opportunity to improve the work that we do to make our games safer, and gatherings like these are a great example of that commitment."

"World Rugby's collaboration with the NFL and other leagues on player welfare is delivering tangible results for athletes in rugby, American Football and other sports," said Professor Eanna Falvey, World Rugby Chief Medical Officer. "We look forward to continued collaboration as World Rugby looks towards Men's Rugby World Cup 2031 and Women's Rugby World Cup 2033 in the USA. Learning from other sports around the world at conferences such as this one is key to ensuring that rugby never stands still on player welfare. The event is also a great chance to share what World Rugby has learnt from our lead-

ing initiatives such as smart mouthguards, turf science and player care in general."

"Premiership Rugby is thrilled to continue our collaboration with the NFL and other major sports organizations. This conference provides an invaluable platform for each sport to share the latest in research and insights in their field, whilst at the same time learning from others, with the aim of collectively enhancing athlete health and safety," said Dr. Matt Cross, Premiership Rugby Head of Science and Medical Operations. "The more that sport is able to collaborate, the more we can strengthen our commitment to player safety through the sharing of best practice and innovation, ensuring that all athletes benefit from the latest advancements in medical care, injury reduction and safety".

Old Crow Medicine Show members urge fans to vote with the new single 'Donkey & Elephant' during tour



Old Crow Medicine Show members L-R: Ketch Secor, Cory Younts, Dante' Pope, Mike Harris, PJ George, and Morgan Jahning are getting into Election fever with a different kind of vote for fans with their new single "Donkey & Elephant." (Photo / Credit: Chris Wood)

Old Crow Medicine Show urges music fans of all stripes to exercise their right to vote with their new song "Donkey & Elephant," a bipartisan metaphor about the current election climate. The band also announces a milestone achievement in their 25th anniversary Jubilee year - they have regained ownership of the masters of their first three albums, O.C.M.S., Tennessee Pusher, and Carry Me Back, and have partnered with Firebird for their distribution.

"Old Crow is proud to join artists across all genres in urging our fans to vote," explains Old Crow Medicine Show frontman Ketch Secor. "We wrote this song because when your heroes are Johnny, Willie, and Kristofferson you've got to sing about what's going on, and this election is a pretty huge deal coast to coast and around the globe. We decided to take a middle of the road approach. Instead of preaching about one candidate or another, we used this song to talk about our frustration with the current crop of Donkeys and Elephants out there. We don't really care who you vote for, as long as your hearts are in it. Just get out there and exercise your right and if you care about causes like we do, voting is the way to see it through."

About the band's new partnership with Firebird, Secor adds: "Old Crow is extremely proud about our new partnership with Firebird. For an old time string band that started on street corners to sign with one of the most innovative and forward-minded leaders in today's music business says a lot about both of us. Firebird stands foremost for the artists it serves, and I'm mighty grateful we've circled the wagons with 'em."

"Firebird Label Services is ex-



cited to partner with Old Crow Medicine Show as they take back ownership of three of the most exciting and beloved catalog albums from their 25 years making music - including the groundbreaking O.C.M.S. on its 20th anniversary," said Kenny Weagly, VP and Head of Artist & Label Services at Firebird. "We welcome the opportunity to support the band on new releases such as 'Donkey & Elephant,' empowering them with our resources and unique support system as they move forward in the next chapter of their illustrious career."

The two-time GRAMMY-winning band is in the midst of their 2024 Jubilee Tour, which celebrates their 25-year anniversary. OCMS founding member Willie Watson, Jaime Wyatt and Hannah Dasher will join on select dates, wrapping up with the group's annual New Year's Eve shows at Nashville's Ryman Au-

ditorium on December 30 and 31.

The Jubilee Tour is in support of the GRAMMY-nominated album of the same name, which has garnered widespread acclaim including Consequence, SPIN, BrooklynVegan and more. Last year, Ketch Secor spoke with Rolling Stone and NPR's Here & Now about the album and shared more insight into the band's activism. The group also released a powerful protest anthem called "Louder Than Guns," and Secor penned a compelling guest essay for The New York Times.

Firebird is a next generation music company providing career and brand guidance to diverse artists worldwide. The company's deep expertise and resources across the music industry spectrum, from label services and innovative marketing to artist management and intellectual property creation, helps further

develop and grow broader global audiences and build longer lasting, higher impact careers.

Old Crow Medicine Show Tour Dates:

- October 24** - Evans, GA @ Columbia County Performing Arts Center - Ron C. Cross Theatre *
- October 27** - Raleigh, NC @ Red Hat Amphitheater
- November 7** - Tarrytown, NY @ Tarrytown Music Hall **
- November 8** - Jim Thorpe, PA @ Penn's Peak **
- November 9** - Charles Town, WV @ Hollywood Casino at Charles Town Races - The Event Center
- November 10** - Wilmington, DE @ The Grand Opera House **
- November 15** - Nashville, TN @ Grand Ole Opry
- November 16** - Nashville, TN @ Grand Ole Opry
- November 20** - St. Louis, MO @ The Pageant +
- November 21** - Des Moines, IA @ Val Air Ballroom +
- November 22** - Milwaukee, MI @ The Riverside Theater +
- November 23** - Iowa City, IA @ Hancher Auditorium at the University of Iowa +
- December 30** - Nashville, TN @ Ryman Auditorium
- December 31** - Nashville, TN @ Ryman Auditorium
- February 22-28** - Miami, FL @ Outlaw Country Cruise 9
- March 15** - Shipshewana, IN @ Blue Gate PAC

* with Hannah Dasher
** with Jaime Wyatt
+ with Willie Watson
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Election Day is November 5th
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