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REDSKINS



Jim Ducibella writes about the Washington Redskins for The Virginian-Pilot. [Read his stories here.](#) Respond to Jim's observations by clicking on the "Add comment" button after each post.

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The Redskins Encyclopedia

Hey, we were going to go down and dirty this week, but I came across a book this week that really caught my attention, and I thought I'd share.

It's called the Redskins Encyclopedia, authored by a freelancer named Mike Richman, published by Temple University Press. Amazing collection of Redskins stories, photos, statistics, and it's just hitting the market now, so even last season is documented.

Turns out this has been a 7½-year labor of love for Richman. It took me three years to write my book on the history of golf in Virginia, and I thought I was going to die. I can't imagine what a project that took twice as long must have felt like.

Richman is a no-nonsense writer who covers everything of significance in Redskins history. In this 75th anniversary season, there are going to be plenty of books, DVDs, and the like on the Redskins. This one's a keeper.

Thom Loverro of the Washington Times has a paperback book out entitled "Hail Victory," a Redskins history of sorts told by the players and coaches themselves. It's an interesting read, done in a different manner.

The Redskins themselves have produced a 75th anniversary DVD that is narrated by play-by-play announcer Larry Michael. I got a sneak preview of that a while back, and while I'm not usually a fan of team-driven publicity vehicles, everything about it was first-class.

If you want more info on where to buy these and other items, phone the Redskins at 703-726-7000.

I think we're finally finding a rhythm here. Late Sunday night, I'll post my Redskins Report Card following the Washington-Giants game. On Tuesday, I'll review these picks and answer the best Redskins questions received at jim.ducibella@pilotonline.com. And we'll fill in some of the gaps in between as news warrants.

Enjoy the games tomorrow. Don't beat me too badly.

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