

Son Of Swami: Predicting the big prep football games on opening weekend

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Finally, real football!

After spending three weeks in London watching the Olympics and babysitting Free Press No. 1 draft choice Joe Rexrode, the Son of Swami is back and ready for some football.

You cannot believe what passes for football in London. Actually, all over the world. SOS was thrilled when he learned football was an Olympic sport, but when he showed up for a game it turned out to be a match, and it was soccer, not football.

Well, that sent SOS into a tizzy, and he was mistaken for an Irish hooligan. SOS pointed out the only Irish hooligan he knew was Gerry Ahern, one of his bosses in London, and evidently Scotland Yard began immediate surveillance.

And SOS wants to point out that contrary to published reports, SOS and Rexrode were not deported.

Anyway, it is good to be back in The Mitten, and here are this week's top games.

Midland at Canton, 7 tonight. SOS doesn't need any long, drawn-out affairs to open the season, so he will be at Canton. SOS doesn't know how much Eric Methner will have Midland throw, but he is positive all of Canton's passes will come before the coin flip. A bonus is seeing two of the state's best linemen -- Midland's Notre Dame-bound Steve Elmer go against Canton's Florida-bound Cameron Dillard. **Can't Win 35, Chemical Spills 29.**