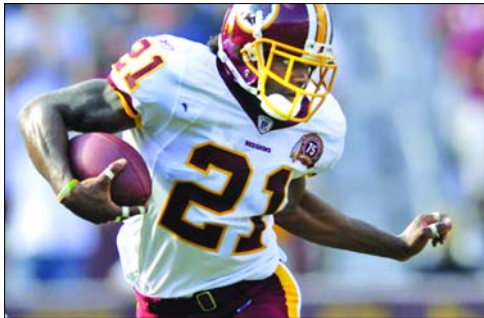




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Redskins' Taylor shot at home



AP photo

Washington safety Sean Taylor was shot in his Miami home Monday morning.

Cornerback now responsive after surgery

The Washington Post

MIAMI — Washington Redskins safety Sean Taylor remained in critical condition in a Miami hospital Monday night after being shot early in the morning in his Miami home.

Taylor squeezed a doctor's hand and made facial expressions early in the evening, Redskins officials and a family friend said, providing some hope after he emerged from seven hours of surgery at Jackson Memorial Hospital that left him "unresponsive and unconscious" and doctors fearing possible brain injury or death, according to Taylor's attorney, Richard Sharpstein.

"He's doing better than when they

first brought him to the hospital," said Donald Walker, who identified himself as a friend of Taylor's mother, in a telephone interview Monday night. "He's unconscious, but he's somewhat responsive, I guess you could say that. When the doctor asked him to squeeze his hand, he did it."

Taylor, 24, confronted one or more intruders early Monday morning at the bedroom door of the house he shares with his fiancée and 18-month-old daughter, and was shot in the upper thigh near the femoral artery, Sharpstein said. The fiancée and child were uninjured, but Taylor lost significant amounts of blood and received a number of transfusions, according to Sharpstein and a source

at the hospital.

No further surgical procedures were planned for Taylor, who was placed in intensive care, but doctors expressed concern that his brain could have been damaged from lack of oxygen, Sharpstein said. A Redskins team source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said Taylor's heart stopped beating twice during surgery.

"We'd heard (about the dire situation) and what they told us was to hope for a miracle," said Redskins vice president of football operations Vinny Cerrato, who flew to Miami with Redskins owner Daniel Snyder, running back Clinton Portis and other team officials on Snyder's private jet.

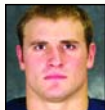
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Virginia Cavaliers



Brandon Albert
1st Team OG



Chris Long
1st Team DE



Tom Santi
2nd Team TE



Ryan Weigand
2nd Team P

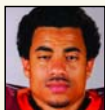
Virginia Tech Hokies



Chris Ellis
1st Team DE



Xavier Adibi
1st Team LB



Victor Harris
1st Team CB



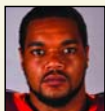
Eddie Royal
1st Team KR/PR



Duane Brown
2nd Team OT

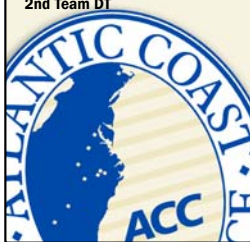


Brandon Flowers
2nd Team CB



Barry Booker
(Amherst Co.)
2nd Team DT

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Staff photo by Jill Nance

Virginia Tech freshman quarterback Tyrod Taylor was out with a sprained ankle when the Hokies lost to Boston College 14-10 on Oct. 25.

A different look

Boston College has yet to face Tyrod Taylor

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Boston College didn't have to contend with Virginia Tech freshman quarterback Tyrod Taylor when the two teams faced each other in Blacksburg last month.

Taylor is healthy now, so the Eagles can expect to see a much different Hokies' offense in Saturday's Atlantic Coast Conference championship game at Jacksonville's Municipal Stadium.

The No. 12 Eagles (10-2) will still see a lot of junior quarterback Sean Glennon, who played the entire game against them Oct. 25. They will see a lot of Taylor, too.

The two quarterbacks have blissfully shared snaps

the last three games, often shuffling in and out of games mid-series, and the experiment has corresponded with No. 6 Tech's most productive offensive stretch of the season.

"I think we're certainly in a better offensive position than we were last time, from the offensive line standpoint, from our receivers playing at a great level and two quarterbacks that, I think, we went back and looked at the tape and both of them made some great plays (Saturday against Virginia)," Tech coach Frank Beamer said. "From that standpoint, we're better."

The two-quarterback system could pose a whole new set of challenges for the Eagles' defense this time around. The Hokies (10-2) seem to be much more dynamic on offense than they were only a month ago.

"We're going to have to come up with a good plan to try to contain both those guys."

Jeff Jagodzinski, BC head coach on defending a two-quarterback system

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