



DENVER BRONCOS QUOTES

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QUARTERBACK CHAD KELLY

On reshaping his body during the offseason

"I think eating a lot of spinach and chicken paid off instead of eating fries and fried food. I came here and kind of knew I needed to move around and get back to my old playing weight back in early college and high school. I'm feeling like I can move around and do some things with my legs, but also being powerful in throwing the ball."

On how long the last 12 months have felt for him

"It's been really long. Finally getting out, the time is here. You can feel like yourself again. This is what you do. This is your job. To be able to get out here with the guys and get back into the swing of things, like I said, it's your job. This is all you do. You go home, you study and you just keep on working on your craft. This is my craft right now."

On what his expectations are for himself

"I'm just trying to get better every rep. To come out here for rookie camp and being the only quarterback out here, to get all of these reps, whether it is throwing routes, running team period or working with coaches in individual, that is how you get better. To be consistent and repeat everything that you're doing—being out of the game for a year and a half, there hasn't been any consistency in what I've been doing. I've got to get back to doing that, feeling like myself and going out there and competing at a high level."

On how much working with QB Case Keenum has helped him

"Big time. He's had a wild career. To get where he is right now, he's put in a lot of work and time. To take whatever you can from him and learn from him and [QB] Paxton [Lynch]—Paxton is in his third year. We're trying to learn as much as we can off of everybody. The more you can learn, the more you can take out there on the field, repeat it and keep on doing it at a consistent level."

On President of Football Operations/General Manager John Elway saying after the draft that him and Lynch will compete for the backup quarterback position

"At the end of the day, I thought of it as, 'OK, perfect. Now I can get more reps.' That is what it's about: Being consistent in what you do, being athletic in what you do and going out there and competing, whether it is individual drills or in a team activity. I just look at it as another opportunity to get better each and every day and each and every rep."

On how important the mental side of the game is to his success

"You've got to go out there, be fast, think fast and do it at a high level. To go out there and know exactly what is going on, know the motions, the routes and the reads, all that stuff plays into the equation. To go out there and do it a high level, but also consistent, whether it is three-deep, four-under or is it [Cover-]two or is it man or is it zone? Whatever it is, you have to know

exactly what to do. If a guy to the right of you doesn't know what he's doing, you better be able to tell him exactly what he has. You just have to do your 1/11th and help as many people as you can out there, but do your job at a high level."

On his first impressions of the pass catchers at practice today

"I think those guys are looking really good. I know [TE] Jake [Butt] has been out here for the past couple of weeks. He feels great and looks great. [WR] Courtland [Sutton] and [WR] DaeSean [Hamilton] and all of those other guys that just came in, I think they're catching on the playbook really fast. They're big, physical guys. They can catch the ball and run. That is who they are. That is what they did in college. We're hoping they bring that element to the NFL."

On working with Quarterbacks Coach Mike Sullivan

"Awesome. The quarterbacks that he's worked with and the knowledge that he has about this game is at a very high level. To take what he knows and teach us each and every day, we're thankful that we have him and [Offensive Coordinator] Coach [Bill] Musgrave along with [Assistant Quarterbacks] Coach [Klint] Kubiak too. To have all of those guys in the same room is very helpful."

On what it was like seeing his uncle Jim Kelly attend a Bills practice recently

"I thought he should have stayed home (joking). It is definitely a neat moment. Any time you can meet guy who is in the [Pro Football] Hall of Fame is a sweet moment. Him kind of recovering from what he's been through, it's pretty impressive. We've just got to keep the Lord first and hopefully everything works out in our favor."