

NFL touches down in Edinburgh



NFL stars including Cleveland Browns' defensive lineman Danny Shelton and NFL legends Steve Smith Sr and Kurt Warner were in Edinburgh today on the last leg of the NFL UK Live Tour which this week visited London, Liverpool, Nottingham and Edinburgh.

Danny Shelton and Steve Smith Sr spent the day absorbing themselves in Scottish culture and were lucky enough to have kilts fitted by kiltmaker and Highland dress outfitter Geoffrey Tailor before taking part in their first ever bagpipe lesson.

They followed their bagpipe lessons by enjoying some classic Scottish cuisine with a meal of haggis, neeps and tatties.


Smith Sr stated "Edinburgh is amazing man. It's so historic, the buildings are older than anything we've got over in the US. The meal of haggis, neeps and tatties was certainly different than our usual NFL diet but it went down surprisingly well!".



Cleveland Brown Danny Shelton added "I was surprised they managed to get a kilt to fit a man of my size but Geoffrey managed to do the job! I often wear a lava-lava, a traditional Polynesian skirt, so a kilt wasn't all that different for me. The bagpiping, however, definitely was tricky!".

Fans will join Danny Shelton, Kurt Warner and Steve Smith Sr, as well as Sky Sports NFL presenter Neil Reynolds and renowned Sports Illustrated journalist Peter King tonight at the Edinburgh International Conference Centre for an evening of live Q&A with insider information and game insights plus their chance to interact with other NFL fans.

This will be the first NFL UK Live tour where a decision has been made to charge a small £7 fee with all proceeds (except a £1 booking fee) going to the Youth Sport Trust to help grow American football in the UK.

 Speaking on the partnership with Youth Sport Trust, Alistair Kirkwood, Managing Director of NFL UK, added, “we are very pleased to be able to contribute what will total well over £10,000 to Youth Sport Trust to help grow American football in the UK”.

Tickets for the two NFL games at Twickenham go on sale April 27.

Register your interest in buying tickets by midnight on April 17 at www.ticketmaster.co.uk/nfl