

2017 NFL Pro Bowl Marked By Events at Disney, Throughout Orlando During Weeklong Celebration

The **2017 Pro Bowl** presented by Aquafina in Orlando, Fla. brought so much more than a game on Sunday; it featured a week-long celebration that united and inspired the entire football community. In the week leading up to Sunday's game, the NFL hosted events that brought interactive fan experiences, youth and high school football competitions and a spirit of community to Orlando.

The festivities started Wednesday, Jan. 25 when NFL fans took over ESPN Wide World of Sports Complex to catch their NFL heroes in action during AFC and NFC team practices.

Fans not only had the chance to take in practices throughout the week, but they also got to put their own athleticism to the test in the NFL Pro Bowl Experience, a family-friendly football fan festival with interactive games and activities. Fans could run an agility course, practice long snapping, throw passes and even run the 40-yard dash, complete with a video board of Denver Broncos wide receiver Demaryius Thomas to "race" against.

Fans also had the opportunity to hit the ground running at Epcot, for the Pro Bowl 5K race, and at Disney Springs, NFL cheerleaders and team mascots joined in fun with a Pro Bowl Bash dance party to get the fans hyped.

And in true Disney fashion, the fun was accented with a celebration parade at Magic Kingdom Park on Friday afternoon, when five Pro Bowlers — wide receivers Demaryius Thomas and Emmanuel Sanders from the Denver Broncos, tight ends Greg Olsen from the Carolina Panthers and Delanie Walker from the Tennessee Titans and Ryan Shazier from the Pittsburgh Steelers — were honored for their successes on the field.

The week-long celebration culminated with the Pro Bowl game featuring 88 of the NFL's best players on Sunday, Jan. 29 at Camping World Stadium.