Mud and Spectacle: Giaguari, Aquile and Frogs Lead the Way in IFL Week 3

Rain, mud and plenty of action marked Week 3 of the Italian Football League, with the Giaguari Torino, Aquile Ferrara and Frogs Legnano all securing important victories in a weekend that began to shape the early balance of the 2026 season.

From a rain-soaked battle in Torino to a physical matchup in Ferrara and an offensive showcase in Legnano, the third week of the season delivered drama, big plays and more signs of the growing competitive level of Italian American football.

Aquile Ferrara 27 – Lazio Marines 17

The **Aquile Ferrara** celebrated their home opener with a 27–17 victory over the **Lazio Marines** at Mike Wyatt Field after a physical and tightly contested matchup.

The Marines struck first, taking an early lead in the opening quarter on a rushing touchdown by quarterback **Seth Morgan**, with **Jacopo Impallomeni** adding the extra point.

Ferrara answered in the second quarter behind quarterback **Ryan Kraft**, who connected with **Leonardo Pasquotto** for the tying touchdown. Moments later, a key interception by **Alessio Guerrato** shifted the momentum and set up a spectacular reverse run by **Zack Wright** that gave Ferrara a 14–7 lead.

The Marines stayed within striking distance with an Impallomeni field goal and reclaimed the lead in the third quarter when Morgan found **Lorenzo Cinelli** for a touchdown pass.

But Ferrara’s defense stepped up when it mattered most.

The game’s standout performer was **Zack Wright**, who earned MVP honors after returning a punt for a touchdown to put the Aquile back in front and later contributing to the drive that sealed the game. The final score came on another **Kraft-to-Pasquotto** touchdown connection, securing the 27–17 win.

Giaguari Torino 27 – Dolphins Ancona 0

Heavy rain and a muddy field made passing nearly impossible, but the **Giaguari Torino** adapted perfectly, defeating the **Dolphins Ancona** 27–0 in one of the toughest weather conditions seen this season.

With the field nearly unplayable at times, Torino relied heavily on its ground attack and physical style of play. American running back **Ethan Greenfield** was the key figure of the night.

After a scoreless first quarter, the Giaguari broke through just before halftime with a short touchdown run by Greenfield, followed by the extra point by **Jacopo Salsa**.

Torino extended the lead in the second half with a clever fake field goal that turned into a touchdown pass from **Cameron Colangelo** to **Luca Bertuol**, followed by Salsa's extra point. A recovered fumble later set up another touchdown, this time scored by **Destiny Giuliani**.

Greenfield capped his impressive performance with his third touchdown of the game, sealing the 27–0 final score.

For the Dolphins — playing their season opener after two early bye weeks — it was a difficult night in challenging conditions and a tough start for the defending Italian runners-up.

Frogs Legnano 49 – Warriors Bologna 14

The **Frogs Legnano** opened their season in dominant fashion, defeating the **Warriors Bologna** 49–14 at the historic **Stadio Mari** in a game slowed by a high number of penalties on both sides.

Legnano immediately took control thanks to strong field position and an offense that proved difficult to stop throughout the night. The Frogs also benefited from a deep roster strengthened by several former **Skorpions Varese** players.

Quarterback **Joshua Taylor** led the early surge with two first-quarter touchdown passes — one to **Luke Caliendo** and another to **Matteo Mozzanica** — both converted by kicker **Carlo Tenerini**.

The second quarter turned into a shootout. The Warriors closed the gap with a touchdown reception by **Joshua Stokes**, but the Frogs answered immediately with a spectacular kickoff return touchdown by **Saad Ali**.

A defensive interception by **Simone Perego** gave Legnano another opportunity, which Taylor converted with a five-yard rushing touchdown. Bologna responded before halftime

with a touchdown run by **Caleb Berry** and a successful two-point conversion, sending the teams into the break with the Frogs leading 28–14.

From there, Legnano took full control.

Taylor connected again with **Mozzanica** for another touchdown in the third quarter before **Alessandro Brovelli** added a rushing score. Late in the game, with young quarterback **Alessandro Zerbo** under center, the Frogs capped the night with a touchdown pass to **Matteo Rai**, with Tenerini adding yet another extra point for the final 49–14 score.

The result confirms the Frogs as one of the most dangerous offenses in the league early in the season, while the Warriors showed signs of progress despite the final scoreline.

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