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## NFL.COM VOTERS SELECT BROWNS QB CHARLIE FRYE AS WEEK 15 DIET PEPSI NFL ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Voters on NFL.com have made their choice. Quarterback **CHARLIE FRYE** of the Cleveland Browns is the **<u>DIET PEPSI NFL ROOKIE OF THE WEEK</u>** for games played on December 18-19, the NFL announced today.

Frye completed 21 of 32 passes for 198 yards in the Browns' 9-7 victory over the Oakland Raiders. In his third career start, Frye led the Browns on a 12-play, 43-yard drive in the final 3:15 of the game, culminating in a 37-yard, game-winning field goal as time expired. Frye was four of five for 32 yards on the drive.

More than 50,480 fans voted this week on NFL.com. Frye was selected from among five finalists. The other finalists were running back **FRANK GORE** of the San Francisco 49ers, linebacker **SHAWNE MERRIMAN** of the San Diego Chargers, running back **RYAN MOATS** of the Philadelphia Eagles and punter **MICHAEL KOENEN** of the Atlanta Falcons.

After the regular season, five players will be nominated for Diet Pepsi NFL Rookie of the Year honors. Fans can vote for the winner on NFL.com throughout the month of January. The winner will be announced at a press conference at Super Bowl XL in Detroit.

This is Pepsi's fourth year as the official soft drink sponsor of the NFL and the first year that Diet Pepsi will present the NFL Rookie of the Week and NFL Rookie of the Year awards.

## 2005 DIET PEPSI NFL ROOKIE OF THE WEEK

Wk 1	RB Carnell Williams (Auburn)
Wk 2	RB Carnell Williams (Auburn)
Wk 3	RB Carnell Williams (Auburn)
Wk 4	CB Domonique Foxworth (Maryland)
Wk 5	RB Tyson Thompson (San Jose State)
Wk 6	LB Odell Thurman (Georgia)
Wk 7	QB Kyle Orton (Purdue)
Wk 8	TE Heath Miller (Virginia)
Wk 9	WR Reggie Brown (Georgia)
Wk 10	RB Samkon Gado (Liberty)
Wk 11	LB Shawne Merriman (Maryland)
Wk 12	QB Ryan Fitzpatrick (Harvard)
Wk 13	QB Charlie Frye (Akron)
Wk 14	RB Samkon Gado (Liberty)
Wk 15	QB Charlie Frye (Akron)