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## **NFL.COM VOTERS SELECT COWBOYS RB TYSON THOMPSON AS WEEK 5 DIET PEPSI NFL ROOKIE OF THE WEEK**

Voters on NFL.com have made their choice. Running back **TYSON THOMPSON** of the Dallas Cowboys is the **DIET PEPSI NFL ROOKIE OF THE WEEK** for games played on October 9-10, the NFL announced today.

Thompson ran for 75 yards on 20 carries in the Cowboys' 33-10 victory over the NFC East-rival Philadelphia Eagles. He also returned three kickoffs for an average of 29.0 yards in the game, including a 40-yard return.

More than 22,250 fans voted this week on NFL.com. Thompson was selected from among five finalists. The other finalists were running back **RONNIE BROWN** of the Miami Dolphins, linebacker **LEROY HILL** of the Seattle Seahawks, punter **MICHAEL KOENEN** of the Atlanta Falcons and linebacker **LOFA TATUPU** of the Seattle Seahawks.

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**

<b>Wk 1</b>	RB Carnell Williams (Auburn)
<b>Wk 2</b>	RB Carnell Williams (Auburn)
<b>Wk 3</b>	RB Carnell Williams (Auburn)
<b>Wk 4</b>	CB Domonique Foxworth (Maryland)
<b>Wk 5</b>	RB Tyson Thompson (San Jose State)

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