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CHIEFS RB LARRY JOHNSON, BROWNS LB ANDRA DAVIS & RAVENS K MATT STOVER NAMED AFC PLAYERS OF WEEK 11

Running back **LARRY JOHNSON** of the Kansas City Chiefs, linebacker **ANDRA DAVIS** of the Cleveland Browns and kicker **MATT STOVER** of the Baltimore Ravens are the AFC Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Week for games played the 11th week of the 2005 season (November 20-21), the NFL announced today.

OFFENSE: RB LARRY JOHNSON, KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

- In a 45-17 road win at Houston Sunday night, Kansas City running back **LARRY JOHNSON** carried the ball a career-high 36 times for 211 yards and a pair of touchdowns from 23 and 1 yard, respectively. Johnson's 211 yards rushing established a new franchise single-game record, surpassing the previous mark of 200 by **BARRY WORD** (Oct. 14, 1990 vs. Detroit). Johnson's ground total accounts for the most in the NFL on the year and is the highest total since San Diego's **LA DAINIAN TOMLINSON** posted 243 yards against Oakland on Dec. 28, 2003. Johnson topped the 100-yard barrier in the first half for the second consecutive week and reached 100 rushing yards for the fourth time this season. The State College, PA native ran for five or more yards on 15 of his 36 carries and rushed for 14 first downs in helping the Chiefs lift their record to 6-4.

In his third year from Penn State, this is Johnson's first career Player of the Week award.

DEFENSE: LB ANDRA DAVIS, CLEVELAND BROWNS

- Registering a team-high 14 tackles – including two for losses – Cleveland linebacker **ANDRA DAVIS** played a key role in the Browns' 22-0 shutout victory at home against Miami as Cleveland (4-6) equaled its 2004 win total in its 10th game. The 6-1, 250-pounder from Live Oak, FL (85 miles west of Jacksonville) also delivered a pair of pass break-ups and one quarterback pressure which led to an over-the-shoulder interception by fellow linebacker **MATT STEWART**. The turnover resulted in a 23-yard **PHIL DAWSON** field goal for a 9-0 first-quarter Browns advantage. Led by Davis' play, Cleveland limited Miami to 194 total net yards, including only 55 net passing yards. The shutout victory was the Browns' first since Nov. 21, 2001 (18-0 vs. Cincinnati) and was the 27th blanking of an opponent in franchise history, including playoffs.

In his fourth season from Florida, this is the first Player of the Week distinction for Davis.

SPECIAL TEAMS: K MATT STOVER, BALTIMORE RAVENS

- Baltimore kicker **MATT STOVER** was a perfect three-for-three in field goal attempts, including a 44-yarder in overtime to upend visiting divisional rival Pittsburgh, 16-13. The Ravens' victory marked the third win in a row at home against the Steelers and the second of those three to end in overtime on Stover's upright-splitting foot (13-10, Baltimore, Dec. 28, 2003). The 16-year veteran from Louisiana Tech was good from 47, 25, and 44 yards Sunday to help lift the Ravens to victory. Stover's 44-yarder in the sudden-death session was the ninth overtime game-winner of his career. Stover now has kicked 370 successful field goals on 447 attempts (82.8 percent) and is only three FGs shy of tying Pro Football Hall of Famer **JAN STENERUD** (373) for the fifth-most field goals made in NFL history.

This is the sixth career Player of the Week honor for Stover.

2005 AFC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Defense</u>	<u>Special Teams</u>
Wk 1	RB Willie Parker, Pittsburgh	LB Gary Brackett, Indianapolis	K Josh Scobee, Jacksonville
Wk 2	QB Trent Dilfer, Cleveland	CB Deltha O'Neal, Cincinnati	P Hunter Smith, Indianapolis
Wk 3	RB LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	S Lance Schulters, Miami	K Adam Vinatieri, New England
Wk 4	QB Drew Brees, SD	LB Al Wilson, Denver	K Sebastian Janikowski, Oakland
Wk 5	QB Tom Brady, NE	DT Dewayne Robertson, NY	K Josh Scobee, Jacksonville
Wk 6	RB LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	DE Jared Allen, Kansas City	P Todd Sauerbrun, Denver
Wk 7	RB LaMont Jordan, Oakland	DE Robert Mathis, Indianapolis	K Lawrence Tynes, Kansas City
Wk 8	QB Jake Plummer, Denver	LB Tedy Bruschi, New England	KR-WR Jerome Mathis, Houston
Wk 9	QB Peyton Manning, Ind.	LB Brian Simmons, Cincinnati	P Kyle Richardson, Cleveland
Wk 10	WR Hines Ward, Pittsburgh	LB Mike Peterson, Jacksonville	P Brian Moorman, Buffalo
Wk 11	RB Larry Johnson, KC	LB Andra Davis, Cleveland	K Matt Stover, Baltimore

Other nominees for AFC Offensive Player of Week 11 were:

- Denver running back **MIKE ANDERSON**, who scored three touchdowns, each on the ground, as part of his 26-carry, 113-yard performance in a 27-0 home win against the New York Jets to lift Denver to 8-2.
- New England quarterback **TOM BRADY**, who passed for three TDs in a 24-17 win against New Orleans. Brady was 15 of 29 passing (51.7 percent) for 222 yards without an interception for a 111.6 passer rating. Brady has not thrown an interception in four of New England's past five games.
- San Diego quarterback **DREW BREES**, who posted a 149.1 passer rating by completing 28 of 33 attempts (84.8 percent) for 339 yards and four TDs without an interception in a 48-10 win against Buffalo.
- Cleveland running back **REUBEN DROUGHNS**, who rushed for 166 yards on 30 carries (5.5-yard average). On the first offensive play of the game, Droughns ran for a career-long 75-yard TD – the sixth-longest rushing play in franchise history – and notched five rushes of 10 yards or more.
- Indianapolis quarterback **PEYTON MANNING**, who passed for a season-high 365 yards and three touchdowns without an interception for a 104.7 passer rating in a 45-37 win at Cincinnati. Manning threw for 272 yards and three touchdowns in the first half, helping the Colts remain undefeated at 10-0.
- Oakland wide receiver **JERRY PORTER**, who caught six passes for 142 yards (23.7-yard average) and one touchdown in a 16-13 overtime victory at Washington.
- Baltimore running back-kick returner **CHESTER TAYLOR**, who registered 186 all-purpose yards. Taylor produced 59 rushing yards, 26 yards receiving and 101 yards on three kick returns (33.7-yard average).
- Pittsburgh wide receiver **HINES WARD**, who had a team-high six receptions for 81 yards (13.5 avg.), including a game-long 32-yard reception.

Other nominees for AFC Defensive Player of Week 11 were:

- Oakland defensive end **DERRICK BURGESS**, who chalked-up 2.0 sacks and a forced fumble.
- Pittsburgh linebacker **CLINT KRIEVALDT**, who made eight tackles on defense along with one additional tackle on special teams.
- Baltimore linebacker **BART SCOTT**, who led the Ravens with 12 tackles – including 2.0 sacks – along with one pass defensed and a fumble recovery.
- Pittsburgh cornerback **IKE TAYLOR**, who led all Steelers with 10 tackles and defensed two passes.
- Pittsburgh cornerback **DESHEA TOWNSEND**, who recorded an interception and defensed two additional passes while also recovering a fumble.
- New England linebacker **MIKE VRABEL**, who had a game-best 11 tackles and also scored on a one-yard touchdown reception after lining up on offense as a tight end. Including playoffs, Vrabel has six career receptions – all for touchdowns.
- Kansas City cornerback **ERIC WARFIELD**, who totaled nine tackles with one fumble recovery and scored on a 57-yard interception return.

Other nominee for AFC Special Teams Player of Week 11 were:

- Cleveland kicker **PHIL DAWSON**, who made all three of his field goal attempts and was one of two in point-after tries for 10 points. Dawson's field goals were good from 23, 40, and 24 yards, respectively.
- New England linebacker **LARRY IZZO**, who led the Patriots with three special teams tackles.
- Kansas City kicker **LAWRENCE TYNES**, who connected on a 35-yard field goal try. Tynes has made a field goal in 13 consecutive games, the second-longest such streak in club history.