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## **PATRIOTS QB TOM BRADY, JETS DT DEWAYNE ROBERTSON & JAGUARS K JOSH SCOBEE NAMED AFC PLAYERS OF WEEK 5**

Quarterback **TOM BRADY** of the New England Patriots, defensive tackle **DEWAYNE ROBERTSON** of the New York Jets and kicker **JOSH SCOBEE** of the Jacksonville Jaguars are the AFC Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Week for games played the fifth week of the 2005 season (October 9-10), the NFL announced today.

### **OFFENSE: QB TOM BRADY, NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS**

- New England's **TOM BRADY** was masterful last Sunday in Atlanta, completing 22 of 27 passes (81.5 percent) for 350 yards and three touchdowns without an interception for a 140.4 passer rating in a thrilling 31-28 win against the Falcons. Brady and his teammates were determined to avoid their first losing streak since 2002. Tied at 28-28 with 3:47 left in regulation, the sixth-year pro from Michigan answered an Atlanta touchdown with an eight-play, 53-yard drive resulting in a game-winning field goal with :17 left on the clock. That final drive marked the 18th time in Brady's career that he led his team to break a tie or seize a lead in the fourth quarter or in overtime.

This is Brady's seventh career Player of the Week Award and his first since 2003 (Week 17).

### **DEFENSE: DT DEWAYNE ROBERTSON, NEW YORK JETS**

- With nine tackles, including a career-high 2.0 sacks from his interior lineman position, the Jets' **DEWAYNE ROBERTSON** seemingly refused to be blocked in helping New York hand Tampa Bay its first defeat of the season in a 14-12 decision at the Meadowlands. All but two of Robertson's tackles were within three yards of the line of scrimmage and five of his stops were either at or behind the line. The fourth overall selection of the 2003 NFL Draft was a key part of a Jets defense that did not yield a touchdown and limited Tampa Bay to a paltry two-of-14 (14.3 percent) conversion ratio on third downs.

In his third year from Kentucky, this is Robertson's first career Player of the Week distinction.

### **SPECIAL TEAMS: K JOSH SCOBEE, JACKSONVILLE JAGUARS**

- Jacksonville kicker **JOSH SCOBEE** was three-for-three in field goals attempts, including two successful kicks from beyond 50 yards, in a 23-20 win Sunday night against previously-unbeaten Cincinnati. Scobee, the first AFC player to win a pair of weekly honors this season, split the uprights from 32, 51 and 53 yards. He also kept the Bengals' kick return game in check by booming three touchbacks on six kickoffs. The 6-1, 190-pounder became the first kicker in the club's 11-year history to make two field goals longer than 50 yards in the same game.

In his second year from Louisiana Tech, this is Scobee's third Player of the Week honor in the past 16 weeks.

## **2005 AFC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK**

	<b><u>Offense</u></b>	<b><u>Defense</u></b>	<b><u>Special Teams</u></b>
<b>Wk 1</b>	RB Willie Parker, Pittsburgh	LB Gary Brackett, Indianapolis	K Josh Scobee, Jacksonville
<b>Wk 2</b>	QB Trent Dilfer, Cleveland	CB Deltha O'Neal, Cincinnati	P Hunter Smith, Indianapolis
<b>Wk 3</b>	RB LaDainian Tomlinson, SD	S Lance Schulters, Miami	K Adam Vinatieri, New England
<b>Wk 4</b>	QB Drew Brees, San Diego	LB Al Wilson, Denver	K Sebastian Janikowski, Oakland
<b>Wk 5</b>	QB Tom Brady, NE	DT Dewayne Robertson, NY	K Josh Scobee, Jacksonville

**Other nominees for AFC Offensive Player of Week 5 were:**

- Denver running back **TATUM BELL**, who rushed for 127 yards and two TDs on only 12 carries. Bell's scoring runs were from 34 and 55 yards in a 21-19 home victory against previously-unbeaten Washington.
- Cleveland wide receiver **ANTONIO BRYANT**, who scored on a pair of touchdown receptions from 33 and 28 yards, respectively, in the final 3:10 of regulation in a 20-10 home win against Chicago.
- Indianapolis running back **EDGERRIN JAMES**, who rushed for 105 yards and a touchdown on 21 carries in a 28-3 win at San Francisco. James now has 43 100-yard performances in 86 career games (50.0 percent).
- Buffalo wide receiver **ERIC MOULDS**, who caught a season-high seven passes for 59 yards and a touchdown in a 20-14 win against Miami.
- Pittsburgh quarterback **BEN ROETHLISBERGER**, who completed 17 of 26 passes for 225 yards and a touchdown without an interception for a 105.4 passer rating in a 24-22 Monday night win at San Diego. The Steelers' quarterback also recorded a seven-yard touchdown run.

**Other nominees for AFC Defensive Player of Week 5 were:**

- Tennessee linebacker **KEITH BULLUCK**, who notched a season-high 15 tackles, 1.0 sack and deflected a pass which was intercepted by teammate **ANDRE WOOLFOLK** in a 34-20 win at Houston.
- Cleveland safety **CHRIS CROCKER**, who totaled nine tackles, including 1.0 sack for 13 yards, along with a pair of forced fumbles and a fumble recovery.
- Indianapolis linebacker **CATO JUNE**, who registered two interceptions and seven tackles. June returned his first interception 24 yards for a TD to give the Colts a 14-0 lead in the second quarter.
- New York cornerback **TY LAW**, who registered 10 tackles and an interception.
- New England linebacker **WILLIE MC GINEST**, who chalked-up five tackles and 1.0 sack.
- Pittsburgh safety **TROY POLAMALU**, who made nine tackles and played a large role in limiting San Diego to 66 rushing yards.
- New York linebacker **JONATHAN VILMA**, who recorded 14 tackles and forced a fumble.
- Buffalo safety **TROY VINCENT**, who posted his third interception of the season and recovered a key fumble to thwart a Miami scoring threat inside the Bills' 20-yard line while nursing a six-point lead.

**Other nominees for AFC Special Teams Player of Week 5 were:**

- Buffalo punter **BRIAN MOORMAN**, who booted six punts for 301 yards for a 50.2 gross punting average and net average of 44.7 yards. Four of Moorman's six punts traveled at least 47 yards and five of his six were fielded inside the Dolphins' 20.
- Denver punter **TODD SAUERBRUN**, who averaged 47.3 yards on seven punts, with a net average of 38.4. Sauerbrun placed two punts inside the 20 with no touchbacks and had punts of 55, 59 and 65 yards.
- New England kicker **ADAM VINATIERI**, who made a game-winning 29-yard field goal with :17 left in regulation.