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COWBOYS QB TONY ROMO, 49ERS CB WALT HARRIS & SEAHAWKS PR-KR NATE BURLESON NAMED NFC PLAYERS OF MONTH FOR NOVEMBER

Quarterback **TONY ROMO** of the Dallas Cowboys, cornerback **WALT HARRIS** of the San Francisco 49ers, and punt returner-kick returner **NATE BURLESON** of the Seattle Seahawks are the NFC Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Month for November, the NFL announced today.

OFFENSE: QB TONY ROMO, DALLAS COWBOYS

- In his first full month as an NFL starting quarterback, Romo completed 85 of 117 passes (72.6 percent) for 1,124 yards with nine touchdowns and one interception for an NFL-best 124.7 passer rating. Romo posted a passer rating of at least 100.0 in three of the four games and guided Dallas to a 3-1 record. The Cowboys opened November in Washington and Romo, in his second career NFL start, completed 24 of 36 passes (66.7 percent) for 284 yards with two touchdowns and no interceptions for a 109.0 passer rating. The next week, Romo completed 20 of 29 passes (69.0 percent) for a career-high 308 yards with two touchdowns and no interceptions for a 126.8 passer rating in a win over Arizona. That performance earned Romo his first NFC Offensive Player of the Week Award. On November 19, the Cowboys handed the Indianapolis Colts their first loss of the season as Romo completed 82.6 percent of his passes (19 of 23) for 226 yards. On Thanksgiving, Romo tied a franchise record with five touchdown passes as he completed 22 of 29 passes (75.9 percent) for 306 yards without an interception for a career-best 148.9 passer rating. Romo was named the NFC Offensive Player of the Week for that performance. During the month, Romo led the NFL in passer rating (124.7) and completion percentage (72.6), was first in the NFC in touchdown passes (nine) and finished second in the conference in yards (1,124).

  In his fourth season from Eastern Illinois, this is Romo's first Player of the Month Award.

DEFENSE: CB WALT HARRIS, SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

- Harris recorded 19 tackles, three interceptions, five passes defensed and a forced fumble during the month as the 49ers posted a 3-1 record. Harris' three interceptions tied for the most by a player during November and he ended the month tied for the NFL lead with a career-high six interceptions. The San Francisco defense allowed just 12.5 points per game during the month, the second-lowest average in the NFC. On November 5, in a win over Minnesota, Harris had three tackles and an interception. The next week, Harris had eight tackles and a forced fumble as the 49ers defeated Detroit. Against Seattle, Harris had two interceptions and three tackles to help San Francisco defeat the division-rival Seahawks. In the month's final game, Harris had five tackles and three passes defensed.

  In his 11th season from Mississippi State, this is Harris' first Player of the Month Award.

SPECIAL TEAMS: PR-KR NATE BURLESON, SEATTLE SEAHAWKS

- Burleson had 14 punt returns for 193 yards and an NFC-best 13.8-yard return average, including a 90-yard touchdown, and added five kick returns for 129 yards and a 25.8-yard return average during the month. In a divisional showdown against St. Louis on November 12, Burleson averaged 31.7 yards per punt return, including a 90-yard touchdown, the second-longest in franchise history and the lone punt-return touchdown in the NFC during November. In addition to his punt returns, Burleson returned five kickoffs for 129 yards (25.8 average), including a 45-yard return, in the Monday night contest against Green Bay in the snow. The Seahawks went 3-1 in the month and are in first place in the NFC West.

  In his fourth season from Nevada, this is Burleson's first Player of the Month Award.

2006 NFC PLAYERS OF THE MONTH

	Offense	**Defense**	**Special Teams**
September	QB Rex Grossman, Chicago	S Ken Hamlin, Seattle	K John Carney, New Orleans
October	RB Tiki Barber, NY Giants	DE Julius Peppers, Carolina	K Robbie Gould, Chicago
November	QB Tony Romo, Dallas	CB Walt Harris, San Francisco	PR-KR Nate Burleson, Seattle