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**BENGALS QB ANDY DALTON, CHIEFS LB TAMBA HALI &
CHARGERS K NICK NOVAK NAMED AFC PLAYERS OF WEEK 6**

Quarterback **ANDY DALTON** of the Cincinnati Bengals, linebacker **TAMBA HALI** of the Kansas City Chiefs and kicker **NICK NOVAK** of the San Diego Chargers are the AFC Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Week for games played the sixth week of the 2013 season (October 10, 13-14), the NFL announced today.

OFFENSE: QB ANDY DALTON, CINCINNATI BENGALS

- Dalton completed 26 of 40 passes (65 percent) for 337 yards with three touchdowns versus one interception and a 105.9 passer rating in the Bengals' 27-24 overtime win at Buffalo.
- Dalton's three touchdown passes led the AFC and tied for second in the NFL in Week 6.
- His 337 passing yards ranked second in the NFL last week (**JOE FLACCO**, 342).
- Dalton completed all four passes for 55 yards and a 118.8 passer rating in overtime.
- Registered his sixth career game with 300+ passing yards.
- In his third season from Texas Christian, this is Dalton's second AFC Offensive Player of the Week award. He previously won the award in 2012 (Week 10). Dalton is the first Bengal to win Player of the Week honors this season.

DEFENSE: LB TAMBA HALI, KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

- Hali recorded four tackles and a career-high 3.5 sacks in the Chiefs' 24-7 win over Oakland to improve the Chiefs record to 6-0.
- Hali played a pivotal role in a defense that registered 10 sacks, most by an NFL team in a game this season.
- Kansas City became the first team to have 10 sacks, three interceptions and an interception-return touchdown in a game since 1963 when the team sack became an official NFL statistic.
- Hali (70) became the third player since individual sacks became an official statistic in 1982 to reach 70 career sacks in club annals.
- Through Week 6, the Chiefs have registered an NFL-best 31 sacks.
- In his eighth season from Penn State, this is Hali's second career Defensive Player of the Week Award. He previously won the award in 2010 (Week 3).
- He joins linebacker **JUSTIN HOUSTON** (Week 1 and 3) as the second Chiefs player to win Defensive Player of the Week this season.

SPECIAL TEAMS: K NICK NOVAK, SAN DIEGO CHARGERS

- Novak connected on all four field goals (31, 33, 34, 50) and one extra point in the Chargers' 19-9 win over the Colts on *Monday Night Football*.
- Novak's four field goals tied for an NFL-best in Week 6.
- Registered 13 of San Diego's 19 points for the game.
- His 50-yard field goal with two minutes remaining in the fourth quarter extended the Chargers' lead to 19-9.
- Through Week 6, Novak has made all six field goals of 40+ yards in 2013. He is tied for second in the AFC with 13 field goals this season.
- In his sixth season from Maryland, this is Novak's first Special Teams Player of the Week Award. He is the first Chargers kicker to win Special Teams Player of the Week since **NATE KAEDING** in 2009 (Week 17).
- He joins **PHILIP RIVERS** (Week 2 and 4) as the second Chargers player to win Player of the Week honors in 2013.

2013 AFC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Defense</u>	<u>Special Teams</u>
Wk 1	QB Peyton Manning, Denver	LB Justin Houston, Kansas City	K Nick Folk, New York Jets
Wk 2	QB Philip Rivers, San Diego	DE Mario Williams, Buffalo	PR Trindon Holliday, Denver
Wk 3	QB Peyton Manning, Denver	LB Justin Houston, Kansas City	P Spencer Lanning, Cleveland
Wk 4	QB Philip Rivers, San Diego	CB Alterraun Verner, Tennessee	PR Dexter McCluster, Kansas City
Wk 5	QB Geno Smith, New York Jets	S Charles Woodson, Oakland	PR Travis Benjamin, Cleveland
Wk 6	QB Andy Dalton, Cincinnati	LB Tamba Hali, Kansas City	K Nick Novak, San Diego

Other nominees for AFC Offensive Player of Week 6 as submitted by AFC clubs:

- San Diego rookie wide receiver **KEENAN ALLEN**, who had nine catches for 107 yards (11.9 average) with one touchdown reception.
- New England quarterback **TOM BRADY**, who passed for 269 yards with one touchdown, including a game-winning 17-yard touchdown pass.
- Kansas City running back **JAMAAL CHARLES**, who totaled 128 scrimmage yards (78 rushing, 50 receiving) with two rushing touchdowns.
- Jacksonville wide receiver **JUSTIN BLACKMON**, who had 14 catches for 190 yards (13.6 average) in the Jaguars' 35-19 loss at Denver.
- Cleveland wide receiver **JOSH GORDON**, who had seven catches for 126 yards (18 average) in the Browns' 31-17 loss against Detroit.
- Denver running back **KNOWSHON MORENO**, who totaled 104 scrimmage yards (42 rushing, 62 receiving) with three rushing touchdowns in the Broncos' 35-19 win over Jacksonville.
- Indianapolis wide receiver **REGGIE WAYNE**, who had five receptions for 88 yards (17.6 average) in the Colts' 19-9 loss at San Diego.

Other nominees for AFC Defensive Player of Week 6 as submitted by AFC clubs:

- Baltimore linebacker **ELVIS DUMERVIL**, who posted three tackles, two sacks and forced two fumbles.
- New York Jets linebacker **DAVID HARRIS**, who had 10 tackles and one sack in the Jets' 19-6 loss to Pittsburgh.
- Denver defensive end **MALIK JACKSON**, who had seven tackles, two sacks and one pass defensed.
- Jacksonville linebacker **PAUL POSLUSZNY**, who had seven tackles and a 59-yard interception-return touchdown.
- Pittsburgh linebacker **LAWRENCE TIMMONS**, who had six tackles, one pass defensed and one interception in the Steelers' 19-6 win over the Jets.

Other nominees for AFC Special Teams Player of Week 6 as submitted by AFC clubs:

- New England kicker **STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI**, who connected on all three field goals (35, 54, 23).
- Pittsburgh kicker **SHAUN SUISHAM**, who connected on all four field goals (46, 33, 48, 32).