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BENGALS WR MARVIN JONES, BRONCOS CB DOMINIQUE RODGERS-CROMARTIE & CHIEFS K RYAN SUCCOP NAMED AFC PLAYERS OF WEEK 8

Wide receiver **MARVIN JONES** of the Cincinnati Bengals, cornerback **DOMINIQUE RODGERS-CROMARTIE** of the Denver Broncos and kicker **RYAN SUCCOP** of the Kansas City Chiefs are the AFC Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Week for games played the eighth week of the 2013 season (October 24, 27-28), the NFL announced today.

OFFENSE: WR MARVIN JONES, CINCINNATI BENGALS

- Jones had eight receptions for 122 yards (15.3 average) with four touchdown receptions in the Bengals' 49-9 win over the New York Jets.
- Jones' four TD catches are the most in a single game in club history and the most in an NFL game since November 18, 2007 (**RANDY MOSS** and **TERRELL OWENS**, four each).
- Became the first player in NFL history to score on four touchdown passes of less than 15 yards in one game (9, 6, 14, 6).
- Has a career-best in receptions (24), receiving yards (369) and touchdown catches (seven) in 2013.
- In his second season from California, this is Jones' first AFC Offensive Player of the Week award.
- He is the first Bengals wide receiver to win Offensive Player of the Week honors since **CHAD JOHNSON** in 2007 (Week 12).
- Jones joins quarterback **ANDY DALTON** (Week 6) as the second Bengal to win Offensive Player of the Week this season.

DEFENSE: CB DOMINIQUE RODGERS-CROMARTIE, DENVER BRONCOS

- Rodgers-Cromartie totaled five tackles, including one tackle for a loss, three passes defensed and a 75-yard interception-return touchdown in the Broncos' 45-21 win over Washington.
- His three passes defensed were the most in the AFC in Week 8.
- Registered his fifth career interception-return touchdown, the third-most since he entered the NFL in 2008.
- Rodgers-Cromartie played a pivotal role for a defense that totaled four interceptions (tied season-high), and held the Redskins to 266 total net yards (154 passing, 112 rushing).
- In his sixth season from Tennessee State, this is Rodgers-Cromartie's second career Defensive Player of the Week Award. He previously won the award with the Arizona Cardinals in 2009 (Week 5).
- Rodgers-Cromartie is the first Broncos cornerback to win Defensive Player of the Week honors since **TRACY PORTER** in 2012 (Week 1).

SPECIAL TEAMS: K RYAN SUCCOP, KANSAS CITY CHIEFS

- Succop connected on three of four field goals (42, 35, 40) and two extra points in the Chiefs' 23-17 win over Cleveland.
- Succop's three field goals tied for an AFC-best in Week 8 (**NICK FOLK**).
- His two field goals of 40+ yards (42, 40), tied for an AFC-best last week (Folk).
- Registered 11 of Kansas City's 23 points for the game.
- With 22 seconds remaining in the fourth quarter, Succop connected on a 40-yard field goal to extend the Chiefs' lead to 23-17.
- In his fifth season from South Carolina, this is Succop's third Special Teams Player of the Week Award, surpassing **LAWRENCE TYNES** (two) and **PETE STOYANOVICH** (two) for the most Player of the Week awards by a Chiefs kicker since the accolade was instituted in 1984.
- He most recently won the award in 2011 (Week 15).

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 |
| Wk 7 | QB Andrew Luck, Indianapolis | DE Mario Williams, Buffalo | K Shaun Suisham, Pittsburgh |
| Wk 8 | WR Marvin Jones, Cincinnati | CB Dominique Rodgers-Cromartie, Denver | K Ryan Succop, Kansas City |

Other nominees for AFC Offensive Player of Week 8 as submitted by AFC clubs:

- Cincinnati quarterback **ANDY DALTON**, who completed 19 of 30 passes (63.3 percent) for 325 yards with five touchdowns versus one interception and a 125.7 passer rating.
- Cleveland wide receiver **JOSH GORDON**, who recorded 132 receiving yards on five receptions (26.4 average), including a 39-yard touchdown catch in the Browns' 23-17 loss at Kansas City.
- Denver quarterback **PEYTON MANNING**, who completed 30 of 44 passes (68.2 percent) for 354 yards with four touchdowns versus three interceptions and a 94.3 passer rating.
- Oakland quarterback **TERRELLE PRYOR**, who rushed for 106 yards with one touchdown in the Raiders' 21-18 win over Pittsburgh.
- Kansas City quarterback **ALEX SMITH**, who completed 24 of 36 passes (66.7 percent) for 225 yards with two touchdowns versus zero interceptions and a 102.2 passer rating.

Other nominees for AFC Defensive Player of Week 8 as submitted by AFC clubs:

- Cincinnati linebacker **VONTAZE BURFICT**, who recorded 11 tackles and one pass defensed.
- New England linebacker **DONT'A HIGHTOWER**, who had 10 tackles and one sack in the Patriots' 27-17 win over Miami.
- Kansas City linebacker **DERRICK JOHNSON**, who had 12 tackles and one pass defensed.
- Oakland rookie linebacker **SIO MOORE**, who had five tackles and two sacks.
- Miami defensive tackle **JARED ODRICK**, who had four tackles and two sacks in the Dolphins' 27-17 loss at New England.
- Buffalo defensive tackle **KYLE WILLIAMS**, who had nine tackles and 1.5 sacks in the Bills' 35-17 loss at New Orleans.

Other nominees for AFC Special Teams Player of Week 8 as submitted by AFC clubs:

- New England kicker **STEPHEN GOSTKOWSKI**, who connected on two field goals (34, 48).
- Cincinnati kick returner **BRANDON TATE**, who returned four kickoffs for 133 yards, including a 71-yard return.