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PACKERS QB AARON RODGERS, REDSKINS LB KEENAN ROBINSON & RAMS PR STEDMAN BAILEY NAMED NFC PLAYERS OF WEEK 7

Quarterback **AARON RODGERS** of the Green Bay Packers, linebacker **KEENAN ROBINSON** of the Washington Redskins and punt returner **STEDMAN BAILEY** of the St. Louis Rams are the NFC Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Week for games played the seventh week of the 2014 season (October 16, 19-20), the NFL announced today.

OFFENSE: QB AARON RODGERS, GREEN BAY PACKERS

- Rodgers completed 19 of 22 passes (86.4 percent) for 255 yards with three touchdowns and no interceptions for a 154.5 passer rating in the Packers' 38-17 win over Carolina.
- It marked his fourth consecutive game with at least three touchdown passes and no interceptions. Rodgers and **TOM BRADY** (2007) are the only quarterbacks in NFL history to accomplish that feat in a single season.
- With 18 touchdown passes and one interception, Rodgers is the first player in league history to throw for at least 18 touchdowns with one or zero interceptions in the first seven games of a season.
- Rodgers has recorded six consecutive games without an interception (minimum 15 attempts), tying Pro Football Hall of Famer **BART STARR** for the longest streak in franchise history. Rodgers has not thrown an interception in 192 attempts, the second-longest streak in team annals (Starr, 294).
- Rodgers, who had a 151.2 passer rating in Week 4, joined Brady as the only quarterbacks to register two games with a 150+ passer rating in the first seven games of a season.
- In his 10th season from California, this is Rodgers' 10th career Player of the Week Award and second this season (Week 4).
- Rodgers' 10 Player of the Week Awards are the second-most in franchise history (**BRETT FAVRE**, 12).
- Since 2010, Rodgers' 10 Player of the Week Awards are the most in the NFL.

DEFENSE: LB KEENAN ROBINSON, WASHINGTON REDSKINS

- Robinson had a career-high 14 tackles in the Redskins' 19-17 win over Tennessee.
- Seven of his 14 tackles came within three yards or behind the line of scrimmage, including one tackle for a loss.
- Robinson was part of a defensive unit that limited the Titans to 236 total net yards, 160 net passing yards and 76 rushing yards. It marked the fourth time in the past five seasons the Redskins have held an opponent to fewer than 250 total net yards.
- In his first year as a starter, Robinson leads the team with 57 tackles. He has recorded two games with at least 10 tackles and has at least five tackles in every game this season.
- In his second year from Texas, this is Robinson's first career Player of the Week Award.
- Robinson is the fourth Redskins linebacker to be named Defensive Player of the Week, joining **WILBER MARSHALL**, **KEN HARVEY** and **BRIAN ORAKPO**.

SPECIAL TEAMS: PR STEDMAN BAILEY, ST. LOUIS RAMS

- Bailey returned a punt 90 yards for a touchdown in the Rams' 28-26 win over Seattle. On the play, the Rams' special teams unit pulled off a fake in which **TAVON AUSTIN** drew the Seahawks' coverage team to his side of the field, helping to spring Bailey for the longest punt-return touchdown in the NFL this season.
- It marked the first time in Bailey's career – high school, college or NFL – that he has fielded a punt.
- Bailey's 90-yard punt-return touchdown was the third-longest in franchise history. Combined with **BENNY CUNNINGHAM**'s 75-yard kickoff return, this marked the first time in team history in which the Rams had a punt and kickoff return of at least 75 yards each.
- St. Louis' special teams unit also converted a key fourth-down late in the game. With just under three minutes remaining and the Rams holding a two-point lead, St. Louis lined up to punt on fourth-and-three from its own 18-yard line. Punter **JOHNNY HEKKER** executed a fake and completed an 18-yard pass to Cunningham to give the Rams a key first down. St. Louis was then able to run out the clock and seal the victory.
- In his second season from West Virginia, this is Bailey's first career Player of the Week Award.
- Bailey joins Austin (Week 10, 2013) as the only Rams return specialists to win in the past 10 seasons.

2014 NFC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

	<u>Offense</u>	<u>Defense</u>	<u>Special Teams</u>
Wk 1	QB Matt Ryan, Atlanta	LB DeAndre Levy, Detroit	K Matt Bryant, Atlanta
Wk 2	RB Darren Sproles, Philadelphia	CB Kyle Fuller, Chicago	PR Ted Ginn, Jr., Arizona
Wk 3	QB Matt Ryan, Atlanta	S Kam Chancellor, Seattle	PR-KR-WR Devin Hester, Atlanta
Wk 4	QB Aaron Rodgers, Green Bay	S Antoine Bethea, San Francisco	PR-RB Darren Sproles, Philadelphia
Wk 5	QB Russell Wilson, Seattle	LB Julius Peppers, Green Bay	K Phil Dawson, San Francisco
Wk 6	T Tyron Smith, Dallas	DE Ezekiel Ansah, Detroit	K Chandler Catanzaro, Arizona
Wk 7	QB Aaron Rodgers, Green Bay	LB Keenan Robinson, Washington	PR Stedman Bailey, St. Louis

Other nominees for NFC Offensive Player of Week 7 as submitted by NFC clubs:

- Arizona running back **ANDRE ELLINGTON**, who had 160 scrimmage yards (88 rushing, 72 receiving) in the Cardinals' 24-13 win at Oakland.
- Washington quarterback **COLT MC COY**, who entered in the second half and completed 11 of 12 passes (91.7 percent) for 128 yards with one touchdown and no interceptions for a 138.9 passer rating.
- Dallas running back **DE MARCO MURRAY**, who rushed for 128 yards and a touchdown in the Cowboys' 31-21 win over the New York Giants.
- Dallas quarterback **TONY ROMO**, who completed 17 of 23 passes (73.9 percent) for 279 yards with three touchdowns and one interception for a 135.7 passer rating.
- Detroit quarterback **MATTHEW STAFFORD**, who passed for 299 yards and threw two late touchdown passes in the Lions' 24-23 come-from-behind win over New Orleans.
- Detroit wide receiver **GOLDEN TATE**, who had 10 catches for 154 yards and a touchdown.
- Seattle quarterback **RUSSELL WILSON**, who became the first player in NFL history with at least 300 passing (313) and 100 rushing (106) yards in a single game.

Other nominees for NFC Defensive Player of Week 7 as submitted by NFC clubs:

- Minnesota rookie linebacker **ANTHONY BARR**, who had 10 tackles, two fumble recoveries and a pass defensed in the Vikings' 17-16 loss at Buffalo.
- Dallas linebacker **JUSTIN DURANT**, who had eight tackles, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery.
- Minnesota defensive end **EVERSON GRIFFEN**, who had three sacks, a forced fumble and eight tackles.
- Detroit safety **JAMES IHEDIGBO**, who had eight tackles, a sack and a fumble recovery.
- Green Bay linebacker **CLAY MATTHEWS**, who had two tackles and a half sack.
- Detroit safety **GLOVER QUIN**, who had six tackles and an interception.

Other nominees for NFC Special Teams Player of Week 7 as submitted by NFC clubs:

- Washington kicker **KAI FORBATH**, who converted all four field-goal attempts (31, 31, 27, 22), including the game-winning 22-yarder as time expired.
- Detroit punter **SAM MARTIN**, who placed four of his five punts inside the 20-yard line and had a long of 57 yards.