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**GIANTS WR ODELL BECKHAM, JR. & 49ERS LB CHRIS BORLAND
NAMED NFL ROOKIES OF MONTH FOR NOVEMBER**

Wide receiver **ODELL BECKHAM, JR.** of the New York Giants and linebacker **CHRIS BORLAND** of the San Francisco 49ers are the NFL Offensive and Defensive Rookies of the Month for November, the NFL announced today.

OFFENSE: WR ODELL BECKHAM, JR., NEW YORK GIANTS

- Beckham, a first-round selection (No. 12 overall) out of Louisiana State, led the NFL with 593 receiving yards in November. He had 38 catches in the month, the second-most in the league (**DEMARYIUS THOMAS**, 41) and the most by a rookie.
- He recorded at least 90 receiving yards in every game during November and is the first rookie in NFL history with at least 90 receiving yards in five games in a calendar month.
- Beckham had three 100-yard games in November and averaged an NFL-best 118.6 yards per game.
- His 38 catches and 593 receiving yards are both the most ever by a Giant in a calendar month.
- He had at least six catches in every game and Beckham and Thomas were the only two players in the NFL to have at least six receptions in five games during the month.
- Beckham joins **HAKEEM NICKS** (October 2009) as the only wide receivers in franchise history to be named NFL Offensive Rookie of the Month.

DEFENSE: LB CHRIS BORLAND, SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS

- Borland, a third-round selection (No. 77 overall) out of Wisconsin, led the NFL with 70 tackles in November, 23 more than anyone else in the league. He had 10 tackles for a loss and added two interceptions and a fumble recovery during the month.
- He started all five games in November and registered at least 10 tackles in four contests.
- Borland is the only player in the past 20 years to record at least 70 tackles and two interceptions in a month.
- In Week 10, he set up the game-winning field goal in overtime by recovering a fumble at the Saints' 17-yard line.
- He was named the NFC Defensive Player of the Week in Week 11 after a 12-tackle, two-interception performance at the New York Giants. In that game, Borland became the first rookie linebacker in club history to record two interceptions in a game and joined **KEN NORTON, JR.** (October 22, 1995) as the only 49ers linebackers with two interceptions in a game in the past 40 years.
- Borland is the third 49ers linebacker to be named NFL Defensive Rookie of the Month. He joins **PATRICK WILLIS** (October and December, 2007) and **ALDON SMITH** (October and December, 2011).

2014 NFL ROOKIES OF THE MONTH

	<u>Offense (College)</u>	<u>Defense (College)</u>
September	WR Kelvin Benjamin, Carolina (Florida State)	CB Kyle Fuller, Chicago (Virginia Tech)
October	WR Sammy Watkins, Buffalo (Clemson)	LB C.J. Mosley, Baltimore (Alabama)
November	WR Odell Beckham, Jr., New York Giants (LSU)	LB Chris Borland, San Francisco (Wisconsin)

Other nominees for the November NFL Offensive Rookie of the Month Award as submitted by NFL clubs:

- Minnesota quarterback **TEDDY BRIDGEWATER** (first round, Louisville), who won two starts and completed 80 of 128 passes (62.5 percent) for 774 yards with six touchdowns and two interceptions for an 88.5 passer rating.
- Cleveland running back **ISAIAH CROWELL** (undrafted, Alabama State), who started three of five games and rushed for 219 yards with three touchdowns, tied for the most among NFL rookies for the month.
- Tampa Bay wide receiver **MIKE EVANS** (first round, Texas A&M), who had 28 catches for 554 yards and six touchdowns.
- Cincinnati running back **JEREMY HILL** (second round, Louisiana State), who led all rookies with 488 rushing yards on 94 carries (5.2 average) with three rushing touchdowns, which tied for the most among NFL rookies.
- Miami wide receiver-kick returner **JARVIS LANDRY** (second round, Louisiana State), who started three of four games and had 24 catches for 195 yards with four touchdowns.
- Philadelphia wide receiver **JORDAN MATTHEWS** (second round, Vanderbilt), who had 25 catches for 413 yards and five touchdowns.
- Philadelphia kicker **CODY PARKEY** (undrafted, Auburn), who made 13 of 14 field-goal attempts and scored 58 points.
- Kansas City kicker **CAIRO SANTOS** (undrafted, Tulane), who converted all six field-goal attempts and all 11 PATs.

Other nominees for the November NFL Defensive Rookie of the Month Award as submitted by NFL clubs:

- Buffalo linebacker **PRESTON BROWN** (third round, Louisville), who started all four games and had 30 tackles.
- St. Louis defensive tackle **AARON DONALD** (first round, Pittsburgh), who started all five games and had four sacks and 13 tackles.
- San Francisco linebacker **AARON LYNCH** (fifth round, South Florida), who had four sacks and 16 tackles.
- Oakland linebacker **KHALIL MACK** (first round, Buffalo), who started all five games and had 17 tackles, including two tackles for a loss.
- Baltimore linebacker **C.J. MOSLEY** (first round, Alabama), who started all four games and had 29 tackles, one sack and two passes defensed.
- Washington linebacker **TRENT MURPHY** (second round, Stanford), who had two sacks, two forced fumbles and 14 tackles.
- Indianapolis linebacker **JONATHAN NEWSOME** (fifth round, Ball State), who had 11 tackles, 3.5 sacks and two forced fumbles.
- Denver cornerback **BRADLEY ROBY** (first round, Ohio State), who had 12 tackles, two interceptions, a forced fumble and a fumble recovery.
- Tennessee linebacker **AVERY WILLIAMSON** (fifth round, Kentucky), who started all four games and posted 22 tackles, including three tackles for a loss, two sacks and one pass defensed.