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CARDINALS WR LARRY FITZGERALD, COWBOYS LB SEAN LEE & CARDINALS KR-RB DAVID JOHNSON NAMED NFC PLAYERS OF WEEK 2

Wide receiver LARRY FITZGERALD of the Arizona Cardinals, linebacker SEAN LEE of the Dallas Cowboys and kick returner-running back DAVID JOHNSON of the Cardinals are the NFC Offensive, Defensive and Special Teams Players of the Week for games played the second week of the 2015 season (September 17, 20-21), the NFL announced today.

OFFENSE: WR LARRY FITZGERALD, ARIZONA CARDINALS

- Fitzgerald had eight catches for 112 yards and three touchdowns in the Cardinals’ 48-23 win at Chicago. His three touchdowns matched his single-game high which he accomplished in the 2008 NFC Championship Game.
- Including the postseason, he now has 101 career touchdown receptions, the most among active players.
- Fitzgerald has 19 more touchdown catches than the next wide receiver on the list (STEVE SMITH SR., 82).
- The performance marked his 18th career game with multiple touchdown catches (including the postseason).
- Fitzgerald extended his streak to 165 consecutive games with a catch, the longest active streak in the NFL and a franchise record.
- In his 12th season from Pittsburgh, this is Fitzgerald’s fourth career Player of the Week Award and first since Week 8, 2014.
- Only KURT WARNER (five) has more Offensive Player of the Week Awards in franchise history.
- Fitzgerald’s four Offensive Player of the Week Awards are the most among active wide receivers.

DEFENSE: LB SEAN LEE, DALLAS COWBOYS

- Lee had a game-high 14 tackles, an interception and two passes defensed in the Cowboys’ 20-10 win at Philadelphia.
- Five of his tackles came within two yards of the line of scrimmage or behind, including two for a loss. He had four tackles against the run which resulted in a total of minus-five yards.
- In the third quarter, with the Cowboys leading 13-0, the Eagles drove to the Dallas three-yard line. On second-and-goal, Lee intercepted a pass in the end zone to end the scoring threat.
- Lee was part of a defensive unit that allowed 226 total net yards and seven net rushing yards.
- With 1:21 remaining in the game, Lee sealed the victory by recovering the onside kick.
- In his sixth year from Penn State, this is Lee’s third career Player of the Week Award. He was previously honored in Week 13, 2010 and Week 7, 2013.
- Lee is one of three Cowboys to win Defensive Player of the Week at least three times. He joins DE MARCUS WARE (four) and ED “TOO TALL” JONES (three).

SPECIAL TEAMS: KR-RB DAVID JOHNSON, ARIZONA CARDINALS

- Johnson had a 108-yard kickoff-return touchdown and a 13-yard touchdown run in the Cardinals’ victory.
- His 108-yard kickoff-return TD ties for the second-longest in NFL history and is the longest in franchise history.
- Johnson is the first Cardinals player to have a kickoff-return touchdown and a rushing touchdown in the same game since Pro Football Hall of Famer OLLIE MATSON on December 13, 1958.
- Johnson, who had a 55-yard touchdown reception in Week 1, is the first player in NFL history with a kickoff-return touchdown, rushing touchdown and receiving touchdown in his first two games to begin a career.
- He is the third rookie in franchise history with a kickoff-return touchdown in his first two games to begin a career, joining Matson (1952) and LES GOBLE (1954).
- In his rookie season from Northern Iowa, this is Johnson’s first career Player of the Week Award.
- He is the Cardinals’ first rookie returner to be named Special Teams Player of the Week since PATRICK PETERSON in 2011 (Weeks 9 and 12).
- Johnson joins KURT WARNER and BRYCE PAUP as the only players from Northern Iowa to win a Player of the Week Award.
### 2015 NFC PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

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### Other nominees for NFC Offensive Player of Week 2 as submitted by NFC clubs:

- Green Bay wide receiver **RANDALL COBB**, who had eight catches for 116 yards in the Packers’ 27-17 win over Seattle.
- Atlanta wide receiver **JULIO JONES**, who had 13 catches for 135 yards in the Falcons’ 24-20 win at the New York Giants.
- Washington rookie running back **MATT JONES**, who rushed for 123 yards and two touchdowns in the Redskins’ 24-10 win over St. Louis.
- Carolina quarterback **CAM NEWTON**, who threw two touchdown passes and ran for one score in the Panthers’ 24-17 win over Houston.
- Minnesota running back **ADRIAN PETERSON**, who rushed for 134 yards and added 58 receiving yards in the Vikings’ 26-16 win over Detroit.
- Green Bay quarterback **AARON RODGERS**, who completed 25 of 33 passes (75.8 percent) for 249 yards with two touchdowns and no interceptions for a 116.9 passer rating.
- Atlanta quarterback **MATT RYAN**, who completed 30 of 46 passes (65.2 percent) for 363 yards with one touchdown and no interceptions for a 96.6 passer rating.
- Tampa Bay rookie quarterback **JAMEIS WINSTON**, who completed 14 of 21 passes (66.7 percent) for 207 yards with one touchdown and no interceptions for a 114.6 passer rating. He also added a touchdown run.

### Other nominees for NFC Defensive Player of Week 2 as submitted by NFC clubs:

- Atlanta linebacker **KROY BIERMANN**, who had a sack, a forced fumble and three tackles.
- Green Bay linebacker **JAYRONE ELLIOTT**, who had an interception and a forced fumble.
- Arizona safety **TONY JEFFERSON**, who had nine tackles and a 26-yard interception-return touchdown.
- Carolina linebacker **A.J. KLEIN**, who had an interception and four tackles.
- Tampa Bay defensive end **JACQUIES SMITH**, who had three sacks and two forced fumbles.

### Other nominees for NFC Special Teams Player of Week 2 as submitted by NFC clubs:

- Tampa Bay rookie kicker **KYLE BRINDZA**, who converted four of five field-goal attempts, including a long of 55 yards.
- Green Bay kicker **MASON CROSBY**, who converted all four field-goal attempts and became the franchise’s all-time leading scorer (1,057 points).
- Dallas punter **CHRIS JONES**, who averaged 52.5 yards per punt with a net average of 45.8 yards.
- Carolina punter **BRAD NORTMAN**, who punted seven times and averaged 53.9 yards per punt.