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Twins set hits record in rout of M's

By JON KRAWCZYNSKI
 Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — Eddie Rosario wasn't a very happy camper after not starting four games in the past nine days.

He took his frustrations out on the Seattle Mariners pitching staff, and his teammates joined the hit party as well.

Rosario hit three home runs and drove in five runs and the Minnesota Twins set a franchise record with 28 hits while batting around in two different innings of a 20-7 victory over the Mariners on Tuesday night.

"He made a little bit of a statement out there tonight," manager Paul Molitor said. "He's been out a few days and he came back with a vengeance."

Max Kepler and Brian Dozier also went deep, Eduardo Escobar had five hits and two RBIs and Jason Castro had four hits and four RBIs for the Twins, who are in first place in the AL Central despite an AL-worst 13-19 record at Target Field.

The 28 hits are the most in a game since the Rangers had 29 in a 30-3 win over the Orioles on Aug. 22, 2007.

"We just couldn't stop them," Mariners manager Scott Servais said. "They kept squaring it up."

Christian Bergman (3-4) gave up nine runs and 10 hits in 2 1/3 innings for the Mariners. Jarrod Dyson had a homer, a double and an RBI. Ben Gamel had two doubles and an RBI.

With slugger Miguel Sano getting a night off, the Twins batted around in a seven-run third inning and a seven-run seventh to snap a five-game home skid.

Sounders eliminate rival Timbers 2-1 in US Open Cup

Associated Press

TUKWILA, Wash. — Zach Mathers scored on a penalty kick early in the second half to break a 1-all tie, and the Seattle Sounders defeated rival Portland Timbers 2-1 in the fourth round of the U.S. Open Cup on Tuesday night.

Mathers' penalty goal about 10 minutes into the second half came after Andre Lewis was whistled for a handball in the penalty area. It was the fourth time since 2009 the Sounders have eliminated their rivals to the south in the U.S. Open Cup. Portland eliminated Seattle from the competition in 2015 with a 3-1 victory after the Sounders had three players ejected.

Aaron Kovar gave Seattle an early lead scoring in the third minute off a cross from Nohou Tolo. Augustine Williams answered in the 38th minute for Portland beating Seattle goalkeeper Tyler Miller.

Seattle will play in the round of 16 of the tournament in late June.



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Duncan Thompson delivers the ball to the plate for Seaside during Tuesday's Junior Baseball game against Warrenton. Seaside won 9-1.

Blanchard lifts Gulls past the Warriors, 9-1

The Daily Astorian

WARRENTON — An 8-0 lead after two innings was plenty for two Seaside pitchers to work with Tuesday afternoon, as the Gulls scored an eventual 9-1 win over Warrenton in a Junior Baseball win at Huddleston Field.

Seaside starter Duncan Thompson allowed just two hits in four solid innings on the mound, with five strikeouts and two walks. Gage McFadden closed it out, giving up a hit with three strikeouts and a walk over the final three innings.

Dawson Blanchard provided most of the offense for the Gulls, as the senior-to-be was 4-for-4 with two singles and two doubles at the plate.

Blanchard's double in the first inning scored the first run, and Seaside added on runs on a balk call and two bases-loaded walks in the second inning.

Alex Teubner had a run-scoring single, driving in Isaias Jantes; a fielder's choice grounder by Payton Westerholm brought in Teubner for a 6-0 lead; Travis Fenton sprinted home on a double-steal attempt; and Blanchard beat out an infield single that also scored Westerholm for the Gulls' eight-run lead.

The Warriors finally jumped on the scoreboard in the fourth, when Austin Little led off with an infield single, stole second and took third on a passed ball. He scored on an errant throw back to the mound.



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Gabe Breitmeyer prepares to send the ball over the plate for Warrenton during Tuesday's game versus Seaside. The Seagulls defeated the Warriors, 9-1.

Seaside tacked on a run in the fifth, as Blanchard had a leadoff double to deep right-center field, and made his way around the bases on three walks.

Three Warrenton pitchers combined to

give up seven hits, with 12 strikeouts and nine walks.

Little had two of Warrenton's three hits.

The same two teams are scheduled for a doubleheader next Monday at Broadway Field.

Curry and Durant look to build a dynasty for Golden State Warriors

By JANIE MCCAULEY
 Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Stephen Curry tucked a celebratory cigar into his right sock for safekeeping as he handled all of his post-championship obligations.

His fists were clenched as he pondered his latest accomplishment, still wearing his sweaty uniform, ankle braces, kneepads and game shoes. Oh, there would be more partying, for sure. Perhaps all summer long.

And if he and the rest of the Warriors have their way, for years to come.

Curry, Kevin Durant and their teammates are determined to build a dynasty together — and they might just be well on their way.

LeBron James believes so.

Two titles in three years for Golden State. A fabulous first one with and for Durant.

"We're obviously just getting started," Curry said after closing out Cleveland in Monday night's NBA Finals Game 5. "This is something that we want to continue to do, but for us to have these conversations that we had almost



AP Photo/Marcio Jose Sanchez

Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry, center, holds his daughter Riley as they celebrate with forward Kevin Durant, left, after Game 5 of basketball's NBA Finals against the Cleveland Cavaliers in Oakland, Calif., Monday.

a year ago and now being in this position, worth every shot we took in practice, fighting through injuries that he had this year, and it's an unbelievable feeling."

The second NBA championship feels drastically different for Curry, because this one was a comeback from a heartbreaking missed

opportunity last year against James and the Cavaliers when the Warriors knew they should have won it all but squandered a 3-1 lead.

As a raucous crowd cheered at Oracle Arena, Curry watched freshly crowned Finals MVP Durant capturing his first ring in his 10th NBA season.

"It's different just because of what happened last year to be honest," Curry said. "We went through, for lack of a better term, basketball hell in that sense of just being so close to getting the job done and not realizing that goal and having to think about that for an entire year and compartmentalize and just try to keep the right perspective about this season and learn the lessons that we learned."

Coach Steve Kerr cried. Golden State general manager Bob Myers also was moved to tears given Kerr's courageous Finals comeback from an 11-game absence while dealing with complications from back surgery following the 2015 title run.

Kerr still found time to crack a joke on the stage afterward: "Well, we had very little talent, actually, it was mostly coaching."

Seahawks' Thomas ahead of schedule in recovery

By TIM BOOTH
 Associated Press

RENTON, Wash. — Earl Thomas actually considered leaving football immediately after breaking his left leg in a collision with a teammate last year, an injury that ended his 2016 season. He even said as much on social media.

Looking back on it now some six months later, the Seattle Seahawks' star free safety believes it was simply the shock of suffering such a major injury.

"I think it was definitely the shock of the moment. Especially when I felt like that was one of my best seasons I was having in my career," Thomas said as Seattle started its mandatory minicamp Tuesday. "And I had the pick in my hand. Right then it's gone. This is my foundation, my legs. And for my legs to be broken, I never went through anything like that."

Thomas is well ahead of where the Seahawks projected him to be in his recovery from the injury suffered last December in a blowout victory over Carolina.

SCOREBOARD

SPORTS SCHEDULE

THURSDAY

Junior State Baseball — Warrenton at Neah-Kah-Nie, 5:30 p.m.

JUNIOR BASEBALL

Seaside 9, Warrenton 1

Seaside 260 010 0-9 7 1
 Warrenton 000 100 0-1 3 1

Thompson, McFadden (5) and Teubner; Breitmeyer, Knight (2), Jackson (6) and Morrow. W: Thompson. L: Breitmeyer. RBI: Sea, Blanchard, Teubner, Fenton, McFadden, Westerholm, Januik. 2B: Sea, Blanchard 2. HBP: War, Hoagland. LOB: Seaside 8, Warrenton 6.