

Wimbledon

Bouchard, Halep lose openers; Federer, Nadal win

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LONDON — A year ago at Wimbledon, Eugenie Bouchard and Simona Halep met in a semifinal showcasing two of tennis' up-and-coming stars.

Bouchard was only 20, Halep 22. Bouchard won that matchup to reach a Grand Slam final in the sixth major tournament of her career, a month after Halep was the runner-up at the French Open.

Back at the All England Club on Tuesday, both women lost in the first round to opponents ranked outside the top 100. For Bouchard, also a semifinalist at the Australian Open and French Open in 2014, it was the latest setback in a season full of them, including 12 losses in her past 14 matches.

"It's been a huge learning process to have great results and then have, you know, so much attention, then have bad results. Just learning about the ups and downs of life and tennis, how things won't always go perfectly, like I expect them to," said Bouchard, who said a torn abdominal muscle limited her practice time leading into the match.

"I'm always trying to keep the belief and stay true to myself and do what I need to do to become as good as I know I can be. So it's really just being kind of eye-opening, a learning experience," she added, resting her chin on her right hand, then added with a laugh: "But I'm good for the learning experience to be over now."

Her 7-6(3), 6-4 exit against 117th-ranked qualifier Duan Ying-Ying of China made the

12th-seeded Bouchard the first Wimbledon finalist to lose her opening match at the grass-court Grand Slam tournament the following year since Steffi Graf in 1994.

The No. 3-seeded Halep was treated by a trainer for a lost toenail late in the first set of what would become a 5-7, 6-4, 6-3 defeat against 106th-ranked Jana Cepelova of Slovakia.

"I knew it would be a difficult tournament for me," Halep said, explaining that her confidence was low because of poor recent results. "But I didn't expect to lose in (the) first round."

Highly seeded players rarely do anticipate that sort of quick departure, of course, and four past Wimbledon champions in action Tuesday all won in straight sets as the

sun, unobstructed by clouds, brought the temperature to about 85 degrees (30 Celsius).

Petra Kvitova, who beat Bouchard for the 2014 title, won 28 of 29 points on her serve — a double-fault in the final game was the lone blemish — in a 6-1, 6-0 victory over Kiki Bertens that required all of 35 minutes.

The second-seeded Kvitova, who is from the Czech Republic, said her parents made the trip for her first-round match, but will be heading home right away.

"I have to say 'Sorry' to them" for such a short match Tuesday, Kvitova joked.

Seven-time champion Roger Federer, two-time winner Rafael Nadal, and 2013 champion Andy Murray also advanced easily to the second round.

Against Duan, Bouchard double-faulted 10 times and said her muscle problem, which was taped Tuesday, didn't so much affect her strokes as it prevented her from preparing properly. She pulled out of a tuneup tournament at Eastbourne last week because of the injury.

"Probably wouldn't have been smart to play here, but I couldn't pass on Wimbledon," said Bouchard, the only Canadian to reach a Grand Slam singles final. "In my head, it was no question I was going to play, even though I was advised not to. It's just the way I am. It's so hard to be forced not to play tennis, especially at Wimbledon."

Duan lost all four previous matches she'd played at majors, has never been past the quarterfinals at any tour-

level event and never before defeated anyone ranked higher than 75th.

"I didn't know who she was," said Bouchard, who went 19-4 in Slam matches last year but is now 4-3 in 2015 and will fall out of the top 20 in the rankings after Wimbledon.

Bouchard began working this season with coach Sam Sumyk after splitting with Nick Saviano and was asked whether she's considered making changes to her team.

"Maybe I should," Bouchard replied with a chuckle. "We've definitely not started well at all. But I believe in him and he believes in me. As of right now, it's still the plan. But there definitely has to be some improvement, some changes, because I expect to do a little better than this."

KNIGHT: Swoosh gains controlling share of stocks

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athlete endorsers like Jordan and Woods, he turned the company into what Forbes called the "most valuable sports brand in the world."

Knight also says he will transfer most of his Nike stock to a limited liability company called Swoosh LLC. The directors of the company will be Knight himself, Parker, and Nike directors Alan Graf and John Donahoe. On Tuesday, Knight said he had transferred 128.5 million shares, or about 15 percent of Nike's total outstanding shares, to Swoosh. Because Knight owns a large amount of Nike's Class A shares, which aren't publicly traded, Swoosh now has the power to elect three-quarters of Nike's board.

Knight says the move will

help keep Nike's corporate governance strong.

As of a year ago, Knight owned about 75 percent of Nike's Class A shares and a fraction of a percent of its Class B shares. The Class B shares are currently trading around all-time highs and closed at \$108.02 on Tuesday.

On Thursday, Nike said its annual profit grew 22 percent to \$3.27 billion and its revenue rose 10 percent to \$30.6 billion.

The Beaverton, Oregon-based company also named Knight's son Travis to a spot on the board Tuesday. Travis Knight, 41, is the CEO of animation studio Laika LLC and was producer and lead animator on the movies "ParaNorman" and "The Boxtrolls."

MARINERS: Walker looking for fifth straight win

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the Jack Daniel's party deck atop the right-field wall with two outs in the fourth, his seventh.

Miller's shot followed Jackson's RBI single to left. Nelson Cruz was thrown out trying to go from first to third on the play.

Kennedy allowed four runs and five hits in five innings, struck out five and walked one.

TRAINER'S ROOM
Mariners: RHP Felix Hernandez is fine despite exiting his last start following six innings because of heat exhaustion.

Padres: INF Cory Spangenberg was placed on the 15-day disabled list with a sore left knee. He was replaced on the roster by Jedd Gyorko, who was demoted to Triple-A El Paso on June 10.

UP NEXT
Mariners: RHP Taijuan Walker (6-6, 4.64 ERA) starts the matinee finale of the two-game set Wednesday. He's won four straight starts and is 5-1 in his last six, with a 1.91 ERA.

Padres: RHP James Shields (7-2, 4.24) tries for the fifth time to get his eighth victory. He's 0-2 in his last four starts.

From Tuesday

Inferno engulfs historic stadium

• The second half of this article was mistakenly left out of Tuesday's section. Here is the complete article.

Associated Press

EUGENE — A spectacular fire destroyed Eugene's historic Civic Stadium on Monday evening and prompted the temporary evacuation of a two-block area, the fire chief said.

Fire crews found flames shooting twice the height of the structure when they were called to the stadium at about 5:30 p.m., police spokesman John Hankemeier said. Smoke was visible throughout the city, which is about 100 miles south of Portland.

The stadium's dry, seasoned lumber caused the blaze to spread quickly, Eugene-Springfield Fire Chief Randy Groves said after the fire was controlled at about 7 p.m.

He said the cause is under investigation. No one was hurt.

The stadium was approved by voters in 1938 during the Great Depression and opened that same year. Labor was provided by the Works Progress Administration, and materials were donated by lumbermen in the area. The Eugene Emeralds, a minor league team, had

been a long-time tenant, but vacated in 2009.

A nonprofit group of community activists bought it in April, with plans to eventually build a soccer field and a park on the property.

"We're really heartbroken," said Derek Johnson, co-founder of the Eugene Civic Alliance, which worked for years to secure the stadium from the city of Eugene. "It's a hard day."

"When I first heard, I was desperately hoping that something could be saved of the stadium," he told The Register-Guard newspaper (<http://is.gd/MxoQmT>). "It's a magnificent structure but it was wood, and that was one of the parts of it that was really beautiful. But that wood ... that's an impermanent structure."

One spectator said he saw the fire start.

"I looked over and there was a small fire, just a couple feet wide, inside the press box, about 20 to 30 feet up from home plate," said Danny Sales, South Eugene High's head baseball coach.

Sales said he immediately called 911.

"And by the time I got off the phone with the operator, the whole stadium was on fire," he said.

Information from: The Register-Guard, <http://www.registerguard.com>

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showings.

Pendleton didn't allow a hit in two games, and got a combined no-hitter from Sauren Garton, Faith Broadfoot and Jaden Samp in the championship.

On offense, Pendleton smacked the ball around the park for 22 hits led by Samp (4 for 4), Broadfoot (3 for 3) and Allison Galloway (3 for 5). Ellie Samford added a 2 for 3 day with a team-high three RBIs and Carlie Mae Franklin went 2 for 2 with two RBIs and three runs.

Pendleton's state tournament will begin July 18 in Gresham.

"I definitely like our ball club," Samp said. "We have great hitting, great pitching and play excellent defense as well. I like our chances."

Grant County was facing Hermiston for the second time in the tournament after the teams met in the opening round.

The outcome was closer this time, but a seven run fourth by Grant County erased Hermiston's 4-3 lead and sealed their fate.

Kaylee Wright led the charge with three doubles in a 4-for-5 game, and Hailey Wright led the team with three runs scored while going 2 for 2 with two walks. Madi McKrola also was 2 for 2 with two walks and scored twice.

"This group has been to all-star tournaments since the younger ones were nine, so this is our fifth district tournament," said Grant County coach Zach Williams. "They've always been a good team, they're talented. They had to overcome their coaching at some point, and they did."

Riley Pursifull hit two triples for Hermiston, Jada Burns and Alexandra



Contributed photo courtesy of Donna Biggerstaff

Pendleton defeated Milton-Freewater 22-0 for the District 3 9/10-year-old softball championship on Tuesday in Irrigon. Pictured left to right, FRONT ROW: Charlie Mae Franklin, Elise McKay, Brie Youncs, Aubrey Lehnert, Sauren Garton, Muriel Hoisington, Faith Broadfoot and Ellie Samford. BACK ROW: Allison Galloway, Kylee Sellers, Coach Jerod Broadfoot, Emma Lanegan, Coach Kristen Garton, Jaden Samp and Manager Justin Samp.



Hermiston's Megan Wampler catches the ball as Grant County's Hailey Wright slides into second base on Tuesday in Irrigon.

Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Pollock hit doubles, and Burns and Megan Wampler each scored twice.

The Juniors state tournament is in Pilot Rock beginning July 11.

Just one age group has

yet to crown its champion in Irrigon, and 11/12-year-olds will do that today in a game starting at noon.

Hermiston will face the winner of Pendleton and Milton-Freewater in a game

that begins at 9 a.m.

The other District 3 champion already crowned this week was the Hermiston 10/11 all-stars, which defeated Columbia in a best-of-three series.

WORLD CUP: Scary moment involves collision in front of net

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will play the loser of the second semifinal in the third-place game in Edmonton on Saturday.

The final is set for Sunday at Vancouver's BC Place.

"We didn't come here just to make the final," Lloyd said. "We came here to win it, so we're going to go after it."

It was the fourth World Cup meeting between Germany and the U.S. In each of the first three games, the winner went on to take the title.

The marquee matchup led to lines of fans waiting to get in about three hours before the game. The line for the main souvenir stand

snaked up a half-dozen ramps to the building's third level at one point.

The stadium built for the 1976 Olympics, where the East German men won the gold medal, was filled nearly to its blue fabric roof, mostly with fans cheering for the United States. The crowd was announced at 51,176.

Previous games in Montreal had the stadium less than half full, with the upper bowl completely empty.

The United States had several good chances from the start. Julie Johnston missed on a header off a corner kick from Megan

Rapinoe, and Alex Morgan's breakthrough in the 15th minute was stopped by goaltender Nadine Angerer.

There was a scary moment in the first half when Germany's Alexandra Popp and American midfielder Morgan Brian collided in front of the U.S. goal following a free kick from about 25 yards out.

Television cameras caught blood in Popp's hair, and Brian was prone on the field for several minutes. Both players returned to the match.

Sasic's penalty kick came after Johnston fouled Popp in the box. Sasic fooled Solo, who went right, but her kick

went wide left, prompting a roar from the crowd.

Sasic went into the match as the tournament's high scorer with six goals.

Shortly thereafter, Annike Krahn got a yellow card for fouling Morgan in the box, but replays showed it occurred just outside. Lloyd's penalty kick was her third goal in three matches.

"Of course, I'm very, very sad about this, that this penalty shot decided the match," German coach Silvia Neid said. "What am I going to do though? A referee decision is something I have to live with. I am very sad about it, but I cannot change it."

SCOREBOARD

Baseball

| MLB | National League | American League |
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| Cleveland (Carrasco 9-6) at Tampa Bay (Colome 3-3), 4:10 p.m. | Milwaukee (Lohse 4-9) at Philadelphia (Harang 4-10), 4:05 p.m. | Tuesday's Games |
| Kansas City (Volquez 8-4) at Houston (Velasquez 0-0), 5:10 p.m. | Chicago Cubs (Lester 4-6) at N.Y. Mets (Haren 6-5), 4:10 p.m. | Texas 8, Baltimore 6 |
| Chicago White Sox (Quintana 3-7) at St. Louis (Lackey 6-4), 5:15 p.m. | Washington (Fister 3-3) at Atlanta (Wisler 1-1), 4:10 p.m. | Texas 8, Baltimore 6 |
| | L.A. Dodgers (B.Anderson 4-4) at Arizona (Ray 2-3), 6:40 p.m. | Boston 4, Toronto 3 |
| | | Pittsburgh 5, Detroit 4, 14 innings |
| | | Cleveland 6, Tampa Bay 2 |
| | | Minnesota 8, Cincinnati 5 |
| | | Houston 4, Kansas City 0 |
| | | Chicago White Sox 2, St. Louis 1, 11 innings |
| | | Colorado 2, Oakland 1 |
| | | L.A. Angels 2, N.Y. Yankees 1 |
| | | Seattle 5, San Diego 0 |
| | | Today's Games |
| | | Minnesota (May 4-6) at Cincinnati (Cueto 4-5), 9:35 a.m. |
| | | Boston (Porcello 4-8) at Toronto (Buehrle 8-4), 10:07 a.m. |
| | | Colorado (Bettis 4-2) at Oakland (Hahn 5-6), 12:35 p.m. |
| | | Seattle (T.Walker 6-6) at San Diego (Shields 7-2), 12:40 p.m. |
| | | N.Y. Yankees (Eovaldi 7-2) at L.A. Angels (Shoemaker 4-6), 4:05 p.m. |
| | | Texas (N.Martinez 5-4) at Baltimore (W.Chen 3-4), 4:05 p.m. |
| | | Pittsburgh (Burnett 6-3) at Detroit (Simon |

SEMIFINALS

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| Tuesday | United States 2, Germany 0 |
| Today | Japan vs. England, 4 p.m. |
| THIRD PLACE | Saturday |
| Germany vs. Japan-England loser, 1 p.m. | CHAMPIONSHIP |
| Sunday, July 5 | U.S. vs. Japan-England winner, 4 p.m. |

Tennis

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| How the Americans fared |
| At The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club |
| London |
| Through Tuesday |
| q-qualifier, w-wild card |
| Men (4-3) |
| No. 17 John Isner — beat Go Soeda. |
| No. 31 Jack Sock — lost to Sam Groth. |
| Steve Johnson — beat Lukas Lacko. |
| w-Denis Kudla — beat No. 28 Pablo Cuevas. |
| Sam Querrey — beat Igor Sijsling. |
| Tim Smyczek — lost to No. 30 Fabio Fognini. |
| Donald Young — lost to Marcos |

Womens World Cup

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| Women (7-8) |
| No. 1 Serena Williams — beat Margarita Gasparyan. |
| No. 16 Venus Williams — beat Madison Brengle. |
| No. 21 Madison Keys — vs. Stefanie Voegele comp. of susp. match, Wednesday. |
| Madison Brengle — lost to No. 16 Venus Williams. |
| Lauren Davis — beat Polona Hercog. |
| Irina Falconi — lost to No. 11 Karolina Pliskova. |
| Edina Gallovits-Hall — lost to Urszula Radwanska. |
| Nicole Gibbs — lost to Lesia Tsurenko. |
| Varvara Lepchenko — lost to No. 20 Garbine Muguera. |
| q-Bethanie Mattek-Sands — beat Alison Van Uytvanck. |
| Christina McHale — beat Johanna Larsson. |
| Alison Riske — lost to No. 6 Lucie Safarova. |
| Shelby Rogers — lost to No. 14 Andrea Petkovic. |
| Sloane Stephens — beat No. 27 Barbara Strycova. |
| CoCo Vandeweghe — beat Anna Karolína Schmiedlová. |
| q-Sachia Vickery — lost to No. 8 Ekaterina Makarova. |