

Yankees get Ackley in three-player trade

Seattle gets two prospects in return

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ARLINGTON, Texas — Manager Joe Girardi has some more versatility on the Yankees bench after New York acquired Dustin Ackley from Seattle on Thursday.



Ackley

Ackley has appeared at five positions during his 584 major league games since 2011, all with the Mariners. "He's a guy that we feel we could move everywhere," Girardi said.

New York sent right-hander Jose Ramirez and outfielder Ramon Flores to the Mariners in the deal completed a day before the non-waiver trade deadline.

Ackley is hitting .215 with six homers and 19 RBIs in 85 games this season. The second overall pick in the 2009 amateur draft, Ackley is a .243 career hitter who has played second base, first base and all three outfield spots.

The trade caught Ackley by surprise.

"It's crazy. I guess you never know when this kind

of thing is going to happen," Ackley told Seattle-based reporters in the Mariners clubhouse before their game in Minnesota. "You see this all the time with guys. Things happen. I'm excited for what the future has to hold and it'll be fun."

Girardi said Ackley was scheduled to join the Yankees in Chicago on Friday for the start of their weekend series against the White Sox.

"Just his versatility," Girardi responded when asked what Ackley brings that the Yankees didn't already have. "Especially as we move forward here, and you're trying to spell guys, his versatility should help in that situation. Five different spots, that's pretty good."

Ramirez and Flores were both at Triple-A Scranton/Wilkes-Barre and will report to Triple-A Tacoma.

Seattle recalled first baseman Jesus Montero from Tacoma.

Flores had three stints with the Yankees this season, hitting .219 in his first 12 major league games. Ramirez allowed five earned runs over three innings in three relief appearances.

Twins end skid against reeling M's

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MINNEAPOLIS — Eddie Rosario ripped a line drive toward left field that seemed destined to fall in, which would have made him the first Minnesota Twins player to hit for the cycle since 2009.

Out of nowhere, Seattle shortstop Brad Miller leaped to stab it out of the air. It was the only thing that went wrong for Rosario all night.

He had a homer, a triple, a double and drove in three runs to help the Twins snap a four-game skid with a 9-5 victory over the Mariners on Thursday night.

Aaron Hicks and Brian Dozier also homered for the Twins, who had lost 10 of their previous 12 games. Phil Hughes (10-6) gave up five runs on 10 hits and struck out five in five innings and Joe Mauer extended his hitting streak to 11 games.

"I thought I had it," Rosario said with a smile. "But he made a good play. I was angry."

Austin Jackson and Seth Smith hit two-run homers for the Mariners, who traded



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Minnesota Twins' Eddie Rosario, bottom, dives safely to third on a triple in front of Seattle Mariners third baseman Kyle Seager (15) during the fifth inning of a baseball game in Minneapolis on Thursday.

outfielder Dustin Ackley to the New York Yankees before the game. J.A. Happ (4-6) gave up seven runs — six earned — on nine hits in 3 1/3 innings.

Glen Perkins pitched a scoreless ninth after a couple of shaky outings and Rosario tipped his cap to Miller after the highlight reel snare in the eighth inning.

"I didn't have any more glove," Miller said. "If the ball was any higher he might've tipped off and got it. To see his reaction, he probably thought he got one, but it was kind of cool. You fight to the end. That's baseball."

Both starters were hit hard early and often, with Smith opening things with a two-run homer off of Hughes in the first inning.

The Twins came right

back with five off Happ in the bottom half of the inning, sending nine men to the plate and getting a leadoff homer from Dozier and a three-run shot from Rosario.

Hicks went deep in the second inning for Minnesota, Jackson hit a two-run homer in the fourth for the Mariners and Rosario scooted home in the fifth when second baseman Chris Taylor misplayed a grounder from Eduardo Escobar with the infield drawn in that put the Twins up 8-5.

Perkins converted his first 28 save chances, but scuffled out of the All-Star break with two blown saves and six earned runs allowed in his four outings.

"After you go through these last four days, any win is good," Twins manager



Staff photo by E.J. Harris

Todd Erwin of Tacoma watches his put on the 18th green at the Senior Oregon Open Invitational on Thursday at Wildhorse Resort & Casino in Mission.

SENIOR OPEN: Christensen edges Starney for top amateur

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either going to make it or three-putt, which is fine, but it went in."

The two-round leader, Bomar finished his final round with a 69 for a three-round 203. Former SOOI champions Rob Gibbons and defending champion Todd Erwin shot 66 and 68, respectively, to also finish at 203.

Bomar's putter came through again in the playoff, and he birdied to earn his first senior title in the PGA Pacific Northwest Section.

"My last two putts weren't any pressure at all. I had more pressure on 16 and 17 trying to get into the lead, and didn't handle those very well," he said, adding of the playoff hole. "I just had such a good read on it, and I was probably on the best side of the hole just to get it feeding down the hill, and it stayed right where I hit it."

It was Bomar's first time playing at Wildhorse, and he had already been a part of one championship when he his foursome won the 36-hole team competition.

"The golf course is in great shape, I'm privileged to play it. If you're somewhat long and straight (off the tee), which I am, then you

can take advantage," said the owner of Prairie Falls Golf Club in Post Falls, Idaho. "But the greens are tricky. (Wednesday) I had (the ball) below the hole all day long and made nine birdies and an eagle, and today I had a lot of little twisty ones that I didn't make."

It was the second time Gibbons, the 2008 SOOI champion, had been runner-up in a playoff at Wildhorse. He took second in 2007 in a playoff with Jeff Coston, and also came one stroke from victory in 2011. Playing at Wildhorse for the 13th consecutive year, the SOOI has had a recent history of close finishes. Five of the last 10 have been decided by one stroke in regulation, two more came down to two strokes and two were decided by playoff.

Erwin's 2014 title came by six strokes with a three-round 197.

First-round leader Bob Christensen fell to sixth place after shooting even-par 72 in his final two rounds, but still took home top amateur honors with a 208, beating Alex Starney by one stroke.

J.D. Cline of Woodinville, Washington won the 36-hole Super Senior competition with rounds of 72-70—142.

Golf Trump lands, Kim leads at Women's British

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TURNBERRY, Scotland — Donald Trump's show-stealing arrival at the Women's British Open on Thursday upstaged another strong start to a major by South Korea's Hyo-Joo Kim.

Kim was midway through compiling a 7-under 65 in the first round when Trump, the American presidential candidate, landed in a private helicopter to begin a two-day visit at the tournament at his Turnberry resort in western Scotland.

The on-course action was initially a sideshow for Trump, who seized the attention by inviting the media to his hotel near the course to continue his presidential campaign. The Republican celebrity billionaire eventually watched some golf, although the leaderboard was virtually locked in by then.

The fourth-ranked Kim, who shot a first-round 61 in winning the Evian Championship on her major championship debut last year, was leading by one stroke from Lydia Ko of New Zealand and Cristie Kerr of the United States.

Ko, whose 66 was her lowest score in a major, is looking to become the youngest winner of a major. She'll be 18 years, three months, nine days on Sunday, seven months younger than Morgan Pressel when the American won the Kraft Nabisco Championship in 2007.

Top-ranked Inbee Park began her quest to complete a sweep of the majors by shooting 69 in what she described as "perfect conditions for golf," with three of her five birdies coming in her last five holes.

Defending champion Mo Martin shot 70, and Michelle Wie, wearing a brace on her left ankle because of a bone spur, had a 76.

Australia's Karrie Webb, the last cham-



AP Photo/Scott Heppell

Presidential contender Donald Trump looks on at the 16th green on the 1st first day of the Women's British Open golf championship on the Turnberry golf course in Turnberry, Scotland, Thursday, July 30, 2015.

ption at Turnberry in 2002, shot 80 and was joint 141st in the 144-woman field.

Trump's grand arrival at 10:30 a.m. certainly didn't go unnoticed by the early starters on the Ailsa Course. Ko, who went out in the second group after waking up at 3:30 a.m., was on the 16th hole when the real-estate mogul's helicopter twice circled the Ayrshire links.

"I was like, 'Man, that's a really nice helicopter,'" Ko said. "I would love one."

The world No. 2 already was 6 under par by then, with a run of four straight birdies from No. 2 giving her momentum. On No. 5, she gripped a 5-wood from 179 yards to inside 2 feet.

Ko is trying not to think about the history she could create this weekend.

"My goal is to have one major in my career," Ko said, "but it doesn't need to be now."

Ko held the clubhouse lead for barely an hour before being overtaken by Kim, who rolled in five birdies and an eagle putt from 10 inches at the par-5 14th in her first round in a British Open.

SCOREBOARD

Baseball

MLB				
American League East Division	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	57	43	.570	—
Baltimore	51	50	.505	6½
Toronto	52	51	.505	6½
Tampa Bay	51	52	.495	7½
Boston	45	58	.437	13½
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Kansas City	61	40	.604	—
Minnesota	53	49	.525	8
Detroit	50	52	.490	11½
Chicago	49	51	.490	11½
Cleveland	46	54	.460	14½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	58	45	.563	—
Los Angeles	55	46	.545	2
Texas	48	52	.480	8½
Seattle	46	57	.447	12
Oakland	45	57	.441	12½
Thursday's Games				
Detroit 9, Baltimore 8				
Toronto 5, Kansas City 2				
Boston 8, Chicago White Sox 2				
N.Y. Yankees at Texas, 8:05 p.m.				
Houston 3, L.A. Angels 0				
Minnesota 9, Seattle 5				
Cleveland at Oakland, (n)				
Today's Games				
Detroit (Farmer 0-2) at Baltimore (W.Chen 5-6), 4:05 p.m.				
Kansas City (Cueto 0-0) at Toronto (Hutchison 9-2), 4:07 p.m.				
Tampa Bay (E.Ramirez 8-4) at Boston (E.Rodriguez 6-3), 4:10 p.m.				
San Francisco (Bumgarner 11-5) at Texas (N.Martinez 5-6), 5:05 p.m.				
Arizona (R.De La Rosa 8-5) at Houston (Feldman 4-5), 5:10 p.m.				
Seattle (T.Walker 7-7) at Minnesota (Milone 5-2), 5:10 p.m.				
Cleveland (Salazar 8-6) at Oakland (Graveman 6-7), 6:35 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Santiago 7-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 8-6), 7:10 p.m.				
Central Division	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	65	37	.637	—
Pittsburgh	59	42	.584	5½
Chicago	54	47	.535	10½
Cincinnati	46	54	.460	18
Milwaukee	44	59	.427	21½
West Division	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	57	45	.559	—
San Francisco	56	45	.554	½
Arizona	49	51	.490	7
San Diego	49	53	.480	8
Colorado	43	57	.430	13
Thursday's Games				
San Diego 8, N.Y. Mets 7				
Washington 1, Miami 0				
Philadelphia 4, Atlanta 1				
Cincinnati 15, Pittsburgh 5				
St. Louis 9, Colorado 8				
Chicago Cubs 5, Milwaukee 2				
Today's Games				
Atlanta (W.Perez 4-0) at Philadelphia (D.Buchanan 1-5), 4:05 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Locke 5-6) at Cincinnati (Lorenzen 3-5), 4:10 p.m.				
San Diego (Kennedy 6-9) at Miami (Pheips 4-7), 4:10 p.m.				
Washington (G.Gonzalez 8-4) at N.Y. Mets (Harvey 9-7), 4:10 p.m.				
San Francisco (Bumgarner 11-5) at Texas (N.Martinez 5-6), 5:05 p.m.				
Arizona (R.De La Rosa 8-5) at Houston (Feldman 4-5), 5:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Hammel 5-5) at Milwaukee (Jungmann 5-2), 5:10 p.m.				
Colorado (Kendrick 4-11) at St. Louis (Wacha 11-4), 5:15 p.m.				
L.A. Angels (Santiago 7-4) at L.A. Dodgers (Kershaw 8-6), 7:10 p.m.				
Trades				
Houston Astros acquired OF Carlos Gomez, RHP Mike Fiers and slot number 76 in the 2015-16 international pool from the Milwaukee Brewers for LHP Josh Hader, RHP Adrian Torres, OF Brett Phillips and OF Domingo Santana.				
Seattle Mariners acquired OF Ramon Flores and RHP Jose Ramirez from the New York Yankees for OF Dustin Ackley.				
Toronto Blue Jays acquired LHP David Price from Detroit for LHP Daniel Norris, LHP Matt Boyd and LHP Jairo Labourt.				
Atlanta Braves acquired INF Hector Olivera, LHP Paco Rodriguez and RHP Zachary Bird from the Los Angeles Dodgers and Miami's 2016 competitive balance draft lottery selection A for LHPs Luis Avilan and Alex Wood, RHPs Bronson Arroyo and Jim Johnson and INF Jose Peraza.				
Miami Marlins acquired RHPs Kevin Guzman, Jeff Bringham and Victor Araujo				

Basketball

WNBA	
Thursday's Games	Phoenix 78, Tulsa 66
Today's Games	Seattle at Connecticut, 4 p.m.
	Washington at San Antonio, 5 p.m.
	Atlanta at Minnesota, 5 p.m.
	Los Angeles at Chicago, 5:30 p.m.
MLS	
Saturday's Games	Montreal at New York City FC, 11 a.m.
	Real Salt Lake at D.C. United, 4 p.m.
	New York at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.
	Columbus at Orlando City, 4:30 p.m.
	Toronto FC at New England, 4:30 p.m.
	Houston at Sporting Kansas City, 5:30 p.m.
	Los Angeles at Colorado, 6 p.m.
	Vancouver at Seattle, 7 p.m.
PGA	
Quicken Loans National	At Robert Trent Jones Golf Club Gainesville, Va.
Thursday's Leaders	Purse: \$6.7 million
	Yardage: 7,385; Par 71 (36-35)
First Round	
Retief Goosen	32-31—63
Ryo Ishikawa	33-30—63
Justin Leonard	33-31—64
Kevin Chappell	33-31—64
Ernie Els	33-31—64
Steve Wheatcroft	33-32—65
Jeff Overton	31-34—65
Mark Hubbard	32-33—65
Andy Sullivan	31-34—65
Patrick Rodgers	32-34—66
Greg Owen	34-32—66
Jonas Blixt	32-34—66
Justin Rose	32-34—66
Justin Thomas	32-34—66
Gonzalo Fdez-Castano	34-32—66
Arjun Atwal	31-35—66
Ollie Schniederjans	32-34—66
Jason Bohm	33-34—67
Rickie Fowler	33-34—67

D-JAXX: North Medford coming up next

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Roe scored the game's first run on a Daniel Naughton single in the top of the second after hitting a single to lead off. Kai Quinn then made it 2-0 on a Nick Lani single, and Naughton scored on the throw to finish the rally.

The DiamondJaxx added five more runs in the third, the first two coming in on Roe's triple. He added a two-run home run in the seventh to give the game its final score, and the D-Jaxx totalled 11 hits and nine RBIs.

Roe finished 3 for 4 with four runs scored and four RBIs, Quinn was 2 for 3 with two runs and one RBI, and Naughton was 2 for 3 with two RBIs and a run.

Cockburn also scored twice to help his own cause, and battled through a six-strikeout, six-walk performance on the mound.

The win advanced the D-Jaxx to the quarterfinals of the double elimination bracket where they play North Medford today at 7 p.m.

North Medford defeated Centennial 12-1 in its game.

In the loser's bracket, Wilson advanced with a 5-4 win over Roseburg, and Sheldon stayed alive with a 4-2 win over Ashland.

Tennis	
ATP	
B&B Atlanta Open	
A.U.S. Open Series event	
Thursday	
At Atlantic Station	
Atlanta	
Purse: \$585,870 (WT250)	
Surface: Hard-Outdoor	
Singles	
Second Round	
Nedija Kuznetsov, United States, def. Jack Sock (3), Israel, 7-6 (6), 6-3.	
Dudi Sela, Israel, def. Benjamin Becker (8), Germany, 7-5, 6-3.	
Ricardas Berankis, Lithuania, def. Steve Johnson (6), United States, 6-4, 6-2.	
John Isner (1), United States, def. Radek Stepanek (96), Czech Republic, 7-6 (3), 7-6 (7)	
Doubles	
Quarterfinals	
Colin Fleming, Britain, and Gilles Muller, Luxembourg, Marcos Baghdatis, Cyprus, and Malek Jaziri, Tunisia, 7-6 (8), 6-2.	
Bob Bryan, United States, and Mike Bryan (1), United States, def. Treat Huey, Philippines, and Steve Johnson, United States, 7-6 (5), 7-6 (4).	
WTA	
Brasil Tennis Cup	
Thursday	
At Federaçao Catarinense de Tenis Florianopolis, Brazil	
Purse: \$250,000 (Int.)	
Surface: Hard-Outdoor	
Singles	
Quarterfinals	
Annikka Beck (3), Germany, def. Gabriela Ce, Brazil, 6-3, 6-3.	
Anastasiya Sevastova, Latvia, def. Mariana Torres-Torres, Spain, 7-6 (4), 6-4.	
Teliana Pereira (4), Brazil, def. Laura Siegemund (7), Germany, 6-3, 7-5.	
Bethanie Mattek-Sands (5), United States, def. Tereza Martincova, Czech Republic, 7-6 (2), 4-6, 6-1.	
Doubles	
Semifinals	
Maria Irigoyen, Argentina, and Paula Kania (2), Poland, def. Marina Melnikova, Russia, and Laura Pous-Tio, Spain, 6-4, 6-2.	
Annikka Beck and Laura Siegemund (4), Germany, def. Mandi Minella, Luxembourg, and Mariana-Teresa Torro-Flor (1), Spain, 6-2, 6-4.	