

NBA

# Warriors entice Durant, Spurs move on to Gasol

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OAKLAND, Calif. — Kevin Durant decided his best chance for “growth” means leaving his beloved Oklahoma City behind for a big move out West to join the star-studded, record-setting Golden State Warriors and play alongside Splash Brothers Stephen Curry and Klay Thompson.

In the most anticipated move of the NBA offseason, Durant announced his decision Monday on The Players’ Tribune. His contract is for \$54 million over two years and includes a player option, a person with knowledge of the deal said Monday, speaking

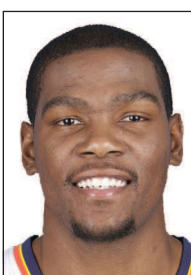
on condition of anonymity because details weren’t made public. Durant’s move will become official as soon as Thursday, when free agents can sign their new contracts. Independence Day, indeed.

“The primary mandate I had for myself in making this decision was to have it based on the potential for my growth as a player — as that has always steered me in the right direction,” Durant said in the article.

“But I am also at a point in my life where it is of equal importance to find an opportunity that encourages my evolution as a man: moving out of my comfort zone to

a new city and community which offers the greatest potential for my contribution and personal growth. With this in mind, I have decided that I am going to join the Golden State Warriors.”

And the 2015 champion Warriors, who squandered a 3-1 NBA Finals lead to lose to LeBron James and the Cavaliers last month, know how tough Durant is in any



Durant



Gasol

lineup: They rallied from down 3-1 to beat Durant and the Thunder in a seven-game Western Conference Finals.

the 6-foot-9 superstar.

Durant, the 2014 MVP and four-time scoring champion, led the Thunder to the NBA Finals in 2012 and to the Western Conference finals in four of the past six years — and he’s only 27. He recovered from a broken bone in his right foot that cost him much of last season to post one of the best years of his career.

Durant met with the Thunder, Warriors, Los Angeles Clippers, Boston Celtics, San Antonio Spurs and Miami Heat once teams could begin negotiating with free agents.

The Spurs didn’t waste any time after losing out in the Durant sweepstakes, and agreed to a two-year deal with

veteran forward Pau Gasol on Monday, a person with knowledge of the situation told The Associated Press.

The deal is worth more than \$30 million and final terms will be completed after the Spurs make a move or two to create the necessary cap space, according to the person who spoke on condition of anonymity because the contract cannot be signed until Thursday.

Gasol has been one of the league’s most talented and versatile big men for the last 15 years. He spent the last two seasons in Chicago and averaged 16.5 points, 11.0 rebounds and 4.1 assists this year. He will turn 36 on Wednesday.

BRIEFLY

## Corley, Pahl win PCC scramble

PENDLETON — The Pendleton pairing of Matt Corley and Darren Pahl held on for a four-stroke victory at the Chuck West Memorial on Monday at Pendleton Country Club.

Corley and Pahl carded a 60 in the 18-hole scramble, and two teams finished with 64. They were Greg Roland Jr./Trevor Smith, and Joe Reyes/Jeff Rinehart.

Drew VanCleave and Joel Gilliland, two former Pendleton residents who have relocated to Twin Falls and Yakima, respectively, won net top honors with a 57. JJ Spriet and Winston Worden were second with 62.

— East Oregonian

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Baker answered with two runs in the bottom of the first, but four more Hermiston runs in the second and one in the third made it 8-2 before Baker’s next run.

Brian Davison pitched 4 1/3 innings for the win and struck out nine. He allowed four runs (two earned) on five hits, and Kaiden Dammeyer pitched the final 1 2/3 innings. Dammeyer struck out four and allowed three runs (two earned) on three hits.

Hermiston only had five hits in the game, but Davison finished with four RBI. He hit a sacrifice fly in the first inning that scored Dammeyer for the game’s first run, a two-RBI double in the second, and a RBI groundout in Hermiston’s three-run sixth.

Dammeyer scored three times and Austin Garberg scored twice. Drake Devin hit an RBI double, and Hermiston drew 12 walks as a team.

In Game 1, Hermiston led 7-6 after Davison and Nathan Picard and scored on back-to-back singles by Aiden West and Drake in the third inning, but a two-RBI double by Baker up 8-7 and Hermiston left the tying run on first in the bottom of the frame.

Hermiston’s other tournament wins were 16-13 over Pendleton and 23-4 over La Grande.

Hermiston, which is managed by Tony Garberg, advances to the state tournament starting Saturday in Gold Hill.

Hermiston opens against District 6 champion Klamath Falls at 9 a.m. It is an eight-team, double-elimination bracket with the championship scheduled for Thursday, July 14.

The Pendleton 11/12 year-old softball all-stars will also begin their state tournament this week in Redmond. Pendleton opens its bracket on Saturday at 1 p.m. against District 1 champion Beaumont/Parkside. It is a seven-team, double-elimination bracket with the championship scheduled for Wednesday, July 13.

# HODGEN: Younger Pendleton team finishes tourney 3-2

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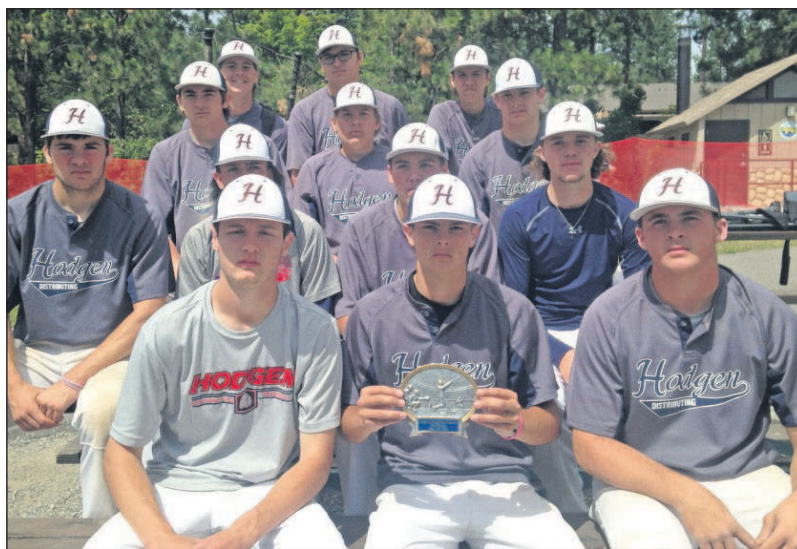
three runs in the bottom of the sixth, Hodgen responded in its final at-bat.

Wyatt Morris doubled to lead off, Shaw Jerome walked, and Nick Naughton followed with an RBI sacrifice fly, and after a strikeout, Austin Zaugg doubled in Bower for a 7-6 lead. A fly out ended the inning with one on.

Hodgen reliever Hayden Villers was unable to get an out in the bottom of the seventh, though, and Helena won it with four singles and one walk.

Hodgen went 4-1 over the weekend to earn its way into the third-place game. It opened on Friday with a 9-2 win over the Calgary Blues that saw Jerome (2 for 4) and Bower (3 for 5) each drive in a pair of runs. Each hit a triple.

Then Hodgen took its first loss 4-0 to the Sedro Wooley Cubs, which got a complete-game no-hitter on the mound. Hodgen bounced back with a 7-2 win over



Contributed photo courtesy of Travis Zander

The Hodgen Distributing baseball team poses with its third-place trophy from the Spokane (Wash.) Wood Bat Classic on Monday. Pictured are (not listed in order): Hayden Villers, Shaw Jerome, Kaden Clark, Wyatt Morris, Jared Beveridge, Joe St. Pierre, Austin Zaugg, Caleb Cary, Nick Bower, Tyler Chichester, Avery Deutz, Johnny Malcom, Daniel Naughton.

Mt. Spokane on Saturday with three and Avery Deutz (2 for 3) adding two RBI. Then Malcom hit a two-run

home run and Naughton went 3 for 3 with three RBI and three runs in a 13-4 win over the Trail Orioles.

Hodgen then beat Yakima 12-7 on Sunday led by Caleb Cary (3 for 4, 3 runs, 3 RBI) and Morris (2 for 4, 3 RBI).

**PEPSI DIAMONDJAXX 8, RANTHAM 1** — At Spokane, Wash., Cameron Sandford struck out 12 in a complete-game effort and the DiamondJaxx won their second game in a row to finish 3-2 at the Spokane Wood Bat Classic on Monday.

Sandford allowed three hits and one earned run while also inducing six groundouts and no fly outs.

Blake Been was 2 for 3 with two RBI and run to lead Pepsi at the plate. Ryan Stahl (3 for 4) and Sandford (2 for 3) each scored twice.

Pepsi’s other wins in Spokane were over Lewis and Clark, 6-2, and the Indians, 10-6. Their losses were to Sedro Wooley, 4-3, and WW Griz, 9-2.

# TRIALS: Kendricks wins pole vault to make first Olympics

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night’s final.

“It doesn’t really settle in in that moment where you’re thinking, ‘This is it,’” Montano said about the moment when she hooked shoes with Brenda Martinez, who had made contact with the leader and eventual runner-up, Ajee

Wilson. “And then, you get up and they’re really far away. Your heart breaks.”

Montano did get up. She jogged a bit, then stopped, fell to her knees and began to wail as she kicked her foot to the ground in disgust. She got up again and ran to the finish line, then collapsed to her knees, put her head on the ground,

looked skyward, clutched her right hand to her heart and let out a primal wail.

“All of a sudden, they came around the corner and she wasn’t there,” said her husband, Louis, who was watching from the side with their daughter, Linnea, who turns 2 next month. “It was heart-breaking.”

Officials reviewed the tape and deemed the smash-up a result of incidental contact. They did not disqualify anyone.

Also on Monday, Boris Berian completed his journey from a burger flipper to Olympian, finishing second in the men’s 800-meter final.

Kate Grace, Ajee Wilson

and Chrishuna Williams made the 800 team for the women; Clayton Murphy and Charles Jock join Berian on the men’s side.

Sam Kendricks won the pole vault to make his first Olympics, four years after coming to trials, but getting bumped off the start list at the last minute by higher qualifiers.

# EATON: Last Olympic repeat in decathlon was Thompson in 1980-84

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sub-goal of trying to score 9,000 every decathlon. It would be cool never to go back to (8,000).”

At the last Olympic trials, also at Hayward Field, Eaton broke the decathlon world record for the first time. Eugene has long been a special place for him. It’s where he and his wife, Canadian heptathlete Brienne Theisen-Eaton, met while attending the University of Oregon and rose to prominence.

Eaton said he was shooting for the record, but his leg made it impossible.

“I had the same mindset,” Eaton said. “I would say the expectations personally and externally were a little bit

different.”

The 28-year-old Eaton was in such control that his coach, Harry Marra, actually told him to run the final event, the 1,500, at a slower pace than normal. No sense putting any extra wear and tear on the leg with the Olympic decathlon in six weeks. He still ran event No. 10 in 4 minutes, 25.15 seconds, which was one of the top times.

“This meet defines Ashton Eaton way more than his world-record performances. Those were great performances,” Marra said. “But he had so many obstacles physically. ... He did this with a bum leg.”

A leg his coach wasn’t sure was going to hold up during the 400 on Saturday.

It did.

A leg Eaton wasn’t sure was going to be ready for the 110-meter hurdles on Sunday.

It was. And through this competition, Eaton learned a little bit more about himself — he doesn’t have to be super aggressive all the time. Smooth works almost as well.

“The (overall) reviews were pretty good,” Eaton said. “As a decathlete, if you don’t leave with something frustrated then you should quit, because it was perfect.”

In command, Eaton even had time to take in some other events. He watched Chaunte Lowe win the high jump by holding hold off teenager Vashti Cunningham, the daughter of longtime NFL quarterback Randall Cunningham. He also caught

Jeffery Henderson’s win in the men’s long jump and Allyson Felix’s blistering performance in the 400.

Now those were impressive.

“It’s nice to have a front-row seat as a decathlete, on the field and get to see all that stuff,” Eaton said. “Those kinds of things are inspirational, and you try to learn from it. Sometimes, I try to pick up little things from the specialists.”

Taiwo had a solid performance to take second, while Zach Ziemek of Wisconsin wound up third. It was an event that was missing Trey Hardee, the 2012 Olympic silver medalist who didn’t finish after suffering a left hamstring injury on the first day.

Eaton’s big plans now will be to squeeze in some rest before he and his wife head to Rio. There, Eaton has a chance to make a little history as he tries to defend his title. That hasn’t been done in the decathlon since British star Daley Thompson in 1980 and ‘84.

“That would be cool,” Eaton said. “Awesome company to be in. But there are really good competitors.”

Asked if he might chase after another world record in Rio, Eaton just grinned.

“The Olympic Games are so much different from anything else,” Eaton said. “You don’t even talk about world records, in a way. If it’s there at the very end, sure, I’ll run to get it. Other than that, it’s event to event.”

## SCOREBOARD

### Tennis

**Wimbledon**  
**Monday**  
 At The All England Lawn Tennis & Croquet Club  
 London  
 Purse: \$38.4 million (Grand Slam)  
 Surface: Grass-Outdoor  
**Singles**  
**Men**  
**Fourth Round**  
 Marin Cilic (9), Croatia, def. Kei Nishikori (5), Japan, 6-1, 5-1, retired.  
 Roger Federer (3), Switzerland, def. Steve Johnson, United States, 6-2, 6-3, 7-5.  
 Sam Querrey (28), United States, def. Nicolas Pietrangeli, France, 6-4, 7-6 (5), 6-4.  
 Milos Raonic (6), Canada, def. David Goffin (11), Belgium, 4-6, 3-6, 6-4, 6-4, 6-4.  
 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (12), France, def. Richard Gasquet (7), France, 4-2, retired.  
 Lucas Pouille (32), France, def. Bernard Tomic (19), Australia, 6-4, 4-6, 3-6, 6-4, 10-8.  
 Andy Murray (2), Britain, def. Nick Kyrgios (15), Australia, 7-5, 6-1, 6-4.  
 Jiri Vesely, Czech Republic, vs. Tomas Berdych (10), Czech Republic, 6-4, 3-6, 6-7 (8), 7-6 (9), susp., darkness.  
**Women**  
**Fourth Round**  
 Angelique Kerber (4), Germany, def. Misaki Doi, Japan, 6-3, 6-1.  
 Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (21), Russia, def. CoCo Vandeweghe (27), United States, 6-3, 6-3.  
 Dominika Cibulkova (19), Slovakia, def. Agnieszka Radwanska (3), Poland, 6-3, 5-7, 9-7.  
 Yaroslava Shvedova, Kazakhstan, def. Lucie Safarova (28), Czech Republic, 6-2, 6-4.  
 Simona Halep (5), Romania, def. Madison Keys (9), United States, 6-7 (5), 6-4, 6-3.  
 Serena Williams (1), United States, def. Svetlana Kuznetsova (13), Russia, 7-5, 6-0.  
 Venus Williams (8), United States, def. Carla Suarez Navarro (12), Spain, 7-6 (3), 6-4.  
 Elena Vesnina, Russia, def. Ekaterina Makarova, Russia, 5-7, 6-1, 9-7.

### Baseball

**MLB**  
**NATIONAL LEAGUE**  
**Sunday's Games**  
 N.Y. Mets 14, Chicago Cubs 3  
 Philadelphia 7, Kansas City 2  
 Washington 12, Cincinnati 1  
 St. Louis 9, Milwaukee 8  
 Pittsburgh 6, Oakland 3  
 L.A. Dodgers 4, Colorado 1  
 San Francisco 5, Arizona 4, 11 innings  
 N.Y. Yankees 6, San Diego 3  
 Miami 5, Atlanta 2  
**Monday's Games**  
 Milwaukee 1, Washington 0  
 Pittsburgh 4, St. Louis 2  
 Chicago Cubs 10, Cincinnati 4  
 Philadelphia 8, Atlanta 2  
 San Francisco 3, Colorado 1  
 N.Y. Mets 8, Miami 6  
 Baltimore at L.A. Dodgers, late finish  
 San Diego at Arizona, late finish  
**Today's Games**  
 Cincinnati (Finnegan 3-7) at Chicago Cubs (Lackey 7-4), 11:20 a.m.  
 Atlanta (Foltynewicz 2-2) at Philadelphia (Eflin 0-2), 4:05 p.m.  
 Milwaukee (Davies 5-4) at Washington (Gonzalez 4-7), 4:05 p.m.  
 Miami (Chen 4-3) at N.Y. Mets (Matz 7-3), 4:10 p.m.  
 Pittsburgh (Braut 0-0) at St. Louis (Leake 5-6), 5:09 p.m.  
 San Diego (Friedrich 4-3) at Arizona (Godley 1-0), 6:40 p.m.  
 Baltimore (Tillman 10-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Maeda 7-5), 7:10 p.m.  
 Colorado (Chatwood 8-4) at San Francisco (Bumgarner 9-4), 7:15 p.m.  
**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
**Sunday's Games**  
 Toronto 17, Cleveland 1  
 Detroit 5, Tampa Bay 1  
 Boston 10, L.A. Angels 5  
 Philadelphia 7, Kansas City 2  
 Chicago White Sox 4, Houston 1  
 Minnesota 5, Texas 4  
 Pittsburgh 6, Oakland 3  
 Seattle 9, Baltimore 4

### NFL

N.Y. Yankees 6, San Diego 3  
**Monday's Games**  
 Tampa Bay 4, L.A. Angels 2  
 Boston 12, Texas 5  
 Chicago White Sox 8, N.Y. Yankees 2  
 Houston 2, Seattle 1  
 Oakland 3, Minnesota 1  
 Toronto 6, Kansas City 2  
 Detroit at Cleveland, late finish  
 Baltimore at L.A. Dodgers, late finish  
**Today's Games**  
 Kansas City (Young 2-7) at Toronto (Dickey 5-9), 4:07 p.m.  
 Detroit (Sanchez 5-8) at Cleveland (Carasco 4-2), 4:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Angels (Lincoff 1-2) at Tampa Bay (Odorizzi 3-3), 4:10 p.m.  
 Texas (Griffin 3-0) at Boston (Price 8-5), 4:10 p.m.  
 N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 5-2) at Chicago White Sox (Rodon 2-6), 5:10 p.m.  
 Oakland (Moenke 3-4) at Minnesota (Milone 0-2), 5:10 p.m.  
 Seattle (Walker 4-6) at Houston (Keuchel 5-9), 5:10 p.m.  
 Baltimore (Tillman 10-2) at L.A. Dodgers (Maeda 7-5), 7:10 p.m.

### Phenix 95, Atlanta 87

**Monday's Games**  
 No games scheduled  
**Today's Games**  
 Seattle at Atlanta, 4 p.m.  
 Chicago at Minnesota, 5 p.m.  
 Phoenix at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.

### unattached, 18-½. NH—Joey Uhle, U.S.

Air Force; Jeffrey Coover, unattached, and Samuel Pierson, Above The Bar TC Inc. DNS—Reese Watson, Texas and Scott Houston, unattached.  
**Javelin**  
 1, Cyrus Hostetler, unattached, 273-1.  
 2, Curtis Thompson, Mississippi State, 271-11.  
 3, Riley Dolezal, Nike, 261-4.  
 4, Sam Crouser, unattached, 256-1.  
 5, Sam Humphreys, Nike, 249-4.  
 6, Robert Robins, Cornell, 240-10.  
 7, Timothy VanLiew, adidas Garden State TC, 236-8.  
 8, Capers Williamson, Citadel, 232-10.  
 9, Damien Odle, Wichita State, 231-3.  
 10, Christopher Carper, unattached, 228-6.  
 11, Sean Furey, Asics, 227-10.  
 12, Carson Fuller, Washington, 226-2.  
**Women**  
**800**  
 1, Kate Grace, Oiselle, 1:59.10.  
 2, Ajee Wilson, adidas, 1:59.51.  
 3, Chrishuna Williams, Nike, 1:59.59.  
 4, Molly Ludlow, Saucony, 1:59.63.  
 5, Raeyn Rogers, Oregon, 2:00.59.  
 6, Phoebe Wright, Nike, 2:02.55.  
 7, Brenda Martinez, New Balance, 2:06.63.  
 8, Alysia Montano, Asics/NYAC, 3:06.77.

### Soccer

**MLS**  
**Sunday's Games**  
 New York City FC 2, New York 0  
 Sporting Kansas City 3, Columbus 2  
**Monday's Games**  
 Orlando City at FC Dallas, late finish  
 Portland at Colorado, late finish  
 Vancouver at Los Angeles, late finish  
**Today's Games**  
 No games scheduled  
**Wednesday's Game**  
 New York City FC at New England, 4:30 p.m.

### Motorsports

**NASCAR**  
**Sprint Cup Schedule**  
 July 2 — Coke Zero 400 (Brad Keselowski)  
 July 9 — Quaker State 400, Sparta, Ky.  
**Points**  
 Through July 2  
 1, Kevin Harvick, 565  
 2, Brad Keselowski, 551  
 3, Kurt Busch, 545  
 4, Kyle Logano, 531  
 5, Carl Edwards, 527  
 6, Kyle Busch, 492  
 7, Martin Truex Jr., 482  
 8, Chase Elliott, 482  
 9, Jimmie Johnson, 475  
 10, Denny Hamlin, 446  
 11, Matt Kenseth, 443  
 12, Austin Dillon, 434

### Basketball

**WNBA**  
**Sunday's Games**  
 Los Angeles 77, New York 67