

NBA

Duncan retires after 19 years, five NBA titles

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SAN ANTONIO — Tim Duncan spent nearly two decades as the quiet storm in the middle of the San Antonio Spurs franchise...

With Duncan as the focal point, the Spurs won five championships, made the playoffs in all 19 of his seasons and cemented themselves as cemented themselves as the most enduring success story of their era.

And now, the ageless and reluctant superstar is finally calling it a career. Duncan announced his retirement on Monday, marking the end of an era for the Spurs and the NBA.

Duncan was the No. 1 overall pick in 1997 and teamed with coach Gregg Popovich, point guard Tony Parker and shooting guard Manu Ginobili to turn the Spurs from a solid franchise that could never quite get over the hump into one of the league's superpowers.

The unassuming Duncan won



AP Photo/David J. Phillip

In this June 15, 2014, file photo, San Antonio Spurs forward Tim Duncan (21) celebrates after Game 5 of the NBA basketball finals in San Antonio.

two MVP awards and was one of just four players to be named NBA Finals MVP at least three times. He was a 15-time All-Star, a member of the All-NBA first team 10 times and is one of only three players — joining

Kareem Abdul-Jabbar and Robert Parrish — to win at least 1,000 games in his career. He is fifth on the NBA's career list in blocks, sixth in rebounds and 14th in scoring. Duncan was never one for big

endorsement deals or look-at-me press conferences, which is why he was often overshadowed in the public eye by more outsized personalities like the Los Angeles Lakers' Kobe Bryant and Cleveland's LeBron James.

"For us as players, we just enjoy and appreciate each other," Bryant said earlier this season. "It's not a matter of who's better or who's greater. You just accept the careers that you've had. I appreciate his career, and vice versa."

The announcement comes two months after the Spurs were upset by the Oklahoma City Thunder in the Western Conference semifinals, a six-game exit that immediately had people wondering — yet again — if this was Duncan's last hurrah.

And like everything else Duncan did in his career — aside from win — he retired quietly, with a

statement from the team. There will be no victory lap for Duncan, no farewell tour like the one Bryant had this season.

"Timmy's never been a very outspoken or emoting sort of individual on the court," Popovich said earlier this year. "Everybody does it differently."

And Duncan was truly one of a kind.

In 1997, after an injury to star David Robinson, the Spurs plunged in the standings and ended up with a chance at the No. 1 overall pick. They won the lottery, and it was a no-brainer to choose Duncan, the polished, two-way big men who had spent four years at Wake Forest.

The Spurs won 36 more games in Duncan's rookie year than they had the previous season and were NBA champions in his sophomore campaign. They also won titles in 2003, 2005, 2007 and 2014, the last one a dominant run to redemption over LeBron James and the Miami Heat after losing to them in seven games the previous season.

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second and third to make it 5-0.

Wilson singled to drive in J Samp in the second, and Duchek scored on a groundout by Garton in the third.

Burke only allowed one base runner in the second through fourth innings, and Portland finally cracked the scoreboard when Pendleton committed three errors on consecutive plays in the fifth.

Pendleton responded with its bats, though, and tacked on four in the bottom of the fifth.

Wilson singled and later scored on a passed ball, and Burke hit a bases-loaded triple that capped the scoring.

Wilson (2 for 2) was the only Pendleton batter with more than one hit, and Burke's three RBIs was a team high.

Pendleton will take today off while awaiting its opponent in the semifinals. They will play the winner of today's consolation finals.

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PENDLETON 18, REDMOND 4 (4 innings)

At Redmond, the tournament hosts jumped on Pendleton starter Mackenzie Burke for four runs in the top of the first but it wasn't nearly enough.

Pendleton responded with 15 runs during a seven-hit rally in its first at-bat.

Maria Lilienthal singled to lead off and came to bat three times in the inning. She

BASEBALL: Hermiston outlasts Klamath Falls in extras to open bracket

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to make it 9-2. Dammeyer and Nathan Picard drew bases-loaded walks to push in runs, and JR Starr and Brycen Jones (2 for 4) each hit RBI singles.

The Dalles trimmed the lead to 9-4 headed into the fifth, but Garberg got another rally started with a walk. He then stole his way to third, and scored on a double by Jones. Hottman followed with a single and Davison then brought them both in with a single.

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HERMISTON 11, KLAMATH FALLS 8 — At Gold Hill, Hermiston needed extra innings to advance past the first round of the state tournament on Saturday in a game that featured 35 total hits.

Austin Garberg (4 for 4) hit a single to score Karver Wilkins an tie the game at 7-7 in the fifth inning, and combined with Kaiden Dammeyer and Brian Davison to throw five innings of scoreless relief as the game went into the ninth inning still knotted.

scored Pendleton's first run on a passed ball, and back-to-back doubles by Sauren Garton and Kylie Parsons put Pendleton up 5-4.

Parsons went on to steal third and home to make it 6-4.

Garton threw three innings of scoreless relief. She allowed only one hit and struck out six while walking three.

Five players recorded two hits each to help Pendleton reach its total of 11 — Parsons (2 for 3, 5 RBIs), Ella Chrisman (2 for 2, 3 RBIs), Josie Wilson (2 for 3, two doubles), Garton (2 for 3, 2 RBIs), and Lilienthal (2 for 3, 3 RBIs).

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PENDLETON 11, BEAUMONT/PARKSIDE 1 (5 innings) — At Redmond, Mackenzie Burke allowed just two hits in a complete-game performance and Delaney Duchek hit a home run with a runner on as Pendleton cruised past Beaumont/Parkside in its tournament opener on Saturday.

Burke struck out six from the circle, and Pendleton backed her with nine hits led by Maria Lilienthal (2 for 4), Josie Wilson (2 for 3) and Duchek (2 for 4). Wilson, Duchek and Daisy Jenness all drove in two runs, and Ella Chrisman hit a triple.

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Davison (3 for 5) got back-to-back strikeouts to end the sixth inning with a runner on third base, and when Klamath Falls tried to steal home in the eighth JR Starr was there to apply the tag and keep the game going.

Drake Devin led off the top of the ninth with a bunt single, then went to third on passed balls while Garberg drew a walk.

Brycen Jones (2 for 6) followed with a line-drive single to right field that scored both players to make it 9-7.

Brad Hottman (3 for 5) added a single before Klamath Falls could get the first out, then Dammeyer (3 for 4) hit an RBI double to make it 10-7. Starr (1 for 2) added an RBI groundout to cap Hermiston's scoring.

Garberg retired two of the first three batters in the ninth before Aiden West was brought in to finish things. He allowed a run-scoring single to his first batter, but then got a swinging strikeout for the save.

Garberg got the win and was credited with one run on one hit over 2 2/3 innings.

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MLB

Stanton beats Frazier in Home Run Derby

By BERNIE WILSON Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — Giancarlo Stanton wore out Petco Park with a record display of power in the All-Star Home Run Derby on Monday night, peppering every landmark from the left field corner to center field.

Stanton hit 20 homers in the final round to best defending champion Todd Frazier of the Chicago White Sox.

Overall, the Miami Marlins slugger hit a record 61, shattering the single-night mark of 41 by Bobby Abreu in 2005.

Stanton's impressive shots hit the top level of the Western Metal Supply Co. Building in the left-field corner and the top of the batter's eye in center field. He sent several balls just below the giant scoreboard high atop the left-field stands and several over the bullpens in left-center.

"For sure being on the West Coast and taking the flight out here just for this, you know. I figure it's a waste if I don't bring this bad boy home," Stanton said, hoisting the trophy.

The three-time All-Star



AP Photo/Lenny Ignelzi

National League's Giancarlo Stanton, of the Miami Marlins, holds the champions trophy after the MLB baseball All-Star Home Run Derby, Monday, July 11, 2016, in San Diego.

is not on the NL roster for Tuesday night's game after batting .233 with 20 homers and 50 RBIs before the break.

"I had a great time. I had a blast."

Literally. His longest shot was estimated at 497 feet. He hit the eight longest homers of the competition and 20 of the 21 deepest drives.

"When I get a few in a row I would kind of bump it

up 5 to 10 percent," he said. "But most the time I stuck at 80-90 percent. I knew I could do it endurance-wise. I was just hoping my swing didn't fall about."

Stanton can defend his title at home next year when the Marlins host the All-Star Game.

"That is where I got my childhood memories, watching the Home Run Derby as a kid," said Stanton, who's from Los Angeles. "Maybe some kids are watching me. I would like to return that."

Stanton is baseball's highest-paid player with a \$325 million, 13-year deal. His new hitting coach is home run king Barry Bonds.

Frazier, who's not on the AL All-Star team, hit 13 in the final round. He was a hometown winner last year while with the Cincinnati Reds. He was traded to the White Sox in December.

The Western Metal Supply Co. Building served as one of the better Derby targets, joining the Warehouse at Baltimore's Camden Yards in 1993 and McCovey Cove outside San Francisco's AT&T Park in 2007. Those were both

targets for lefty hitters Stanton hit 24 homers in the first round to eliminate the Seattle Mariners' Robinson Cano (seven) and 17 in the semifinals to knock out Mark Trumbo (14) of the Baltimore Orioles.

Frazier hit 13 in the first round to beat Carlos Gonzalez (12) of the Colorado Rockies, and 16 in the semifinals to eliminate Adam Duvall (15) of the Cincinnati Reds.

Trumbo, who leads the majors with 28 homers, had two of the most impressive shots of the night, off the scoreboard in left field and onto the top of the Western Metal Building in his semifinal matchup against Stanton.

Wil Myers of the San Diego Padres tried to become the second hometown player to win the Derby. With younger brother Beau — an infielder-outfielder at Appalachian State — pitching to him, Myers hit 10 homers in the first round and was eliminated by Duvall with 11.

Beau Myers even hit his brother with a pitch early in the four-minute period, and nearly nicked him another time.

HODGEN: Pepsi tops Walla Walla, falls to La Grande

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Naughton was the team's top bat on Monday, going 5-5 with three runs scored and one RBI, while Bower went 4-5 with four RBI. Also, Nick Lani and Caleb Cary each collected two hits a piece.

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PEPSI DIAMOND-JAXX 5, WALLA WALLA CUBS 4 — At Pendleton,

the Pepsi Diamondjazz used some extra inning magic to pull out a one run victory over the Walla Walla Cubs on Monday afternoon.

The Diamondjazz needed eight innings to pull out the victory with Shawn Yeager leading the way. Yeager led off the inning with a double to right field, but back-to-back strikeouts saw the Diamondjazz chance slipping away. That's when Yeager attempted a steal of third base, and while successful, an error by Walla Walla's third baseman allowed Yeager to come home to score the winning run for the 5-4 win.

The Diamondjazz had

a solid pitching performance from its trio in that game, started by Cameron Sandord going 5.1 innings with eight strikeouts while giving up our hits and four runs. Then Yeager and T.J. Smith followed up with 2.2 scoreless innings out of the bullpen.

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LA GRANDE 6, PEPSI DIAMONDJAXX 0 — At Pendleton, the Pepsi Diamondjazz offense was silenced by the La Grande Legacy on Monday en route

to a shutout loss.

Gabe Umbarger and Matthew Demianew collected the only two hits in the game for the Diamondjazz, as Umbarger lined a single up the middle in the first inning and Demianew singled in the fifth inning.

Umbarger also started the game on the mound, and lasted three innings while allowing five runs and five walks with four strikeouts. Demianew then allowed one run in two innings of relief, and Justin Duso pitched one scoreless inning.

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SCOREBOARD

Baseball

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Baseball

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Basketball

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Soccer

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