

# MLB Zunino powers M's over Angels

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SEATTLE — Mike Zunino capped Seattle's six-run first inning with a three-run home run off Tim Lincecum, and the Mariners held on for a 6-4 win over the Los Angeles Angels on Friday night.

Seattle overcame a rough first from starter Felix Hernandez and rallied with its largest first-inning output since scoring seven runs on May 15, 2013 against the New York Yankees. Seattle sent up 10 batters and recorded seven hits against Lincecum (2-6) — who lasted just 3 1/3 innings — capped by Zunino's sixth homer of the season.

Zunino fell behind 0-2, held back on a trio of borderline pitches, then golfed the 3-2 pitch into the bullpen just beyond the wall in left field.



Seattle Mariners' Mike Zunino (3) is greeted at the plate after hitting a three-run home run during Friday's game in Seattle.

AP Photo/Ted S. Warren

Hernandez (6-4) settled down after giving up a three-run shot to Mike Trout in the first. He retired 12 of the next 13 after Trout's 20th homer and picked up his second win since coming off the disabled list.

Hernandez gave up a double to Yunel Escobar on the first pitch of the game, Trout's homer two batters later and a solo shot by Jett Bandy leading off the fifth. Otherwise, the Angels could not solve Hernandez, who struck out six and walked three. Hernandez completed eight innings for the first time this season and first

since Sept. 10, 2015 against Texas.

Rookie Edwin Diaz struck out the side in the ninth for his third save in three chances.

**UP NEXT**

**Angels:** Tyler Skaggs (1-0) makes his third start of the season. Skaggs got a no decision in his last start against Boston despite throwing 5 1/3 shutout innings.

**Mariners:** Taijuan Walker (4-7) returns from the disabled list to make his first start since July 5. Walker was sidelined by tendinitis in his right foot.

# MF HORSE: Sold for \$250,000

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said Patty. "He made such an impression."

Deep-pocketed horse buyers took notice. The Harringtons decided to bring their homebred to the auction ring, where he sold for \$250,000.

"That's the most I've ever got for a horse," said Patty. It was the first home-bred horse she had ever sold.

The buyers were Danny Kramer and Sol Kumin and Head of Plains Partnership, the same ownership group behind Exaggerator, this year's Kentucky Derby runner-up and Preakness winner. Milton Freewater's new trainer is Doug O'Neill, who trained Nyquist, winner of this year's Kentucky Derby.

It was hard to sell a horse with such a bright future, but the money was life-changing.

"Personally I did not want to part with him," said Patty. "But I always knew from the time he was born that if I could get enough money for him I would sell."

With blue blood, fast times, a high price and top-notch connections, much is expected of Milton Freewater.

"He's a runner," O'Neill told *Thoroughbred Daily News* in July.

Milton Freewater's second start came in a stakes races last week, where the colt finished third in a 5 1/2 furlong dash at Del Mar. From Milton Freewater's running motion, it was clear the longer, classic distances will be more to his liking.

O'Neill is based in Southern California, and it appears the horse will be too. If Milton Freewater continues to excel, he could race in the top tier of prep races and be a possibility for next year's Triple Crown series. Only three-year-old horses can compete in those races, so everything will have to line up for Milton Freewater to have a chance to run for the roses next May.

"He has some great expectations," said Patty.

She hopes the horse does well, stays healthy and continues to progress. If it does, good things are sure to come Milton Freewater and Milton-Freewater's way.

"Everyone likes his name," said Patty. "The town might be about to be famous."

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so it was not surprising to see them cruise their way to a state championship. The Pilot Rock softball team had one of the most complete lineups and as dominant a 1-2 punch in the pitching circle in the state, so it was also no surprise to see them ease their way to the second-straight state title. And though I never got to watch them in person, I enjoyed staring at the absurdity of Stanfield baseball's box scores trying to figure out how one team could win like they did on an everyday basis.

And lastly, it has brought me to a part of the United States I likely never would have traveled to in my lifetime, but I'm glad it did. After growing up in a relatively flat part of Ohio, I still can't get over the awe and the beauty of the Blue Mountains when I'm driving into town or the sights all around in the Columbia River Gorge, and often times catch myself staring around for longer than I should be while operating a vehicle.

I'm thankful for the opportunity that was given to me by the EO and you the readers, last year. It's still hard to fathom that one year has passed by already, but now I am excited to see what year two brings my way.

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# GRIFFEY: Humbled by the honor of having number retired

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extremely important. If you look at my first apartment in Seattle, it was 1124. My house number was 24606. There is a lot of things that have to do with 24."

Griffey is back in Seattle this weekend to see that famous No. 24 retired by the Mariners. His number retirement comes less than two weeks after he became the first player to go into the Hall of Fame as a Mariner. His number will be the first retired by the Mariners, and it will be set aside throughout the organization, not just with the major league club. The whole team will wear No. 24 during batting practice Saturday, and then it will

be shelved forever.

Griffey sounded humbled by the honor when he spoke on Friday, in part because his number will hang next to Jackie Robinson's No. 42 — retired throughout baseball — as the only numbers honored at Safeco Field.

"An organization has to feel that it's worthy and I know there are certain criteria that have to be met to even be mentioned and for a team to do that is the ultimate sign of respect for what you did on the field. It's overwhelming, humbling because of the guy, the number I'm going up next to, who basically sacrificed his life for guys to play and that's Jackie Robinson," Griffey said. "It's a weird feeling

because of what he's done and to allow pretty much everyone to play this game. And I'm going to be right next to him, so I haven't really had a total grasp on it."

Seattle is pulling out all the stops for Griffey's final honor of the summer, including commemorative hats, bases and balls for the games. Saturday's retirement program could run as long as an hour in front of what could be the largest crowd ever at Safeco Field.

Griffey started Friday by raising a No. 24 flag atop the Space Needle that will fly through the weekend, then spent time in the afternoon posing for pictures with Mariners staff next to his Hall of Fame plaque that is on display. Even

former teammate Edgar Martinez, now Seattle's hitting coach, had his picture taken with the plaque in the Mariners' clubhouse.

Griffey has not watched the television replay of his emotional Hall of Fame speech and doesn't intend to soon.

And he doesn't expect his speech to the loyal Mariner fans on Saturday evening to be any easier to deliver.

"It's a big deal. I don't take what I did lightly and tomorrow is definitely one of those things that it is special and it's pretty neat," Griffey said. "I get to enjoy it with the people who have seen me from a teenager to a 40-year-old."

## SCOREBOARD

### Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Baltimore	62	46	.574	—
Toronto	63	47	.573	—
Boston	60	48	.556	2
New York	55	54	.505	7½
Tampa Bay	44	64	.407	18
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	61	46	.570	—
Detroit	60	49	.550	2
Chicago	52	57	.477	10
Kansas City	51	58	.468	11
Minnesota	44	65	.404	18
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	63	47	.573	—
Houston	57	52	.523	5½
Seattle	55	53	.509	7
Los Angeles	49	60	.450	13½
Oakland	48	61	.440	14½
Friday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees	13,	Cleveland	7	
Detroit	4,	N.Y. Mets	3	
Minnesota	6,	Tampa Bay	2	
Baltimore	7,	Chicago White Sox	5	
Houston	5,	Texas	0	
Toronto	4,	Kansas City	3	
Chicago Cubs	7,	Oakland	2	
Boston	9,	L.A. Dodgers	0	
Seattle	6,	L.A. Angels	4	
Saturday's Games				
Cleveland	(Kluber 10-8)	at N.Y. Yankees	(Sabathia 6-8),	10:05 a.m.
Boston	(Rodriguez 2-4)	at L.A. Dodgers		

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	65	44	.596	—
Miami	58	51	.532	7
New York	56	53	.514	9
Philadelphia	51	60	.459	15
Atlanta	39	70	.358	26
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	67	41	.620	—
St. Louis	58	51	.532	9½
Pittsburgh	54	53	.505	12½
Milwaukee	48	59	.449	18
Cincinnati	44	64	.407	23
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
San Francisco	62	47	.569	—
Los Angeles	60	49	.550	2
Colorado	54	55	.495	8
San Diego	47	62	.431	15
Arizona	44	65	.404	18
Friday's Games				
Pittsburgh	3,	Cincinnati	2	

MLB				
Friday's Game				
	W	L	Pct	GB
New York City FC	0,	San Jose	0	
Saturday's Games				
DC United	at Philadelphia,	4 p.m.		
Montreal	at Houston,	4:30 p.m.		
Toronto	at New England,	4:30 p.m.		
Colorado	at Vancouver,	6 p.m.		
Real Salt Lake	at Chicago,	7 p.m.		
Saturday's Games				
Boston	(Rodriguez 2-4)	at L.A. Dodgers	(Stripling 2-3),	1:05 p.m.
Chicago Cubs	7,	Oakland	2	
Boston	9,	L.A. Dodgers	0	
Philadelphia	5,	San Diego	4	
Friday's Games				
Atlanta	(Hernandez 0-0)	at St. Louis	(Martinez 10-6),	4:15 p.m.
Miami	(Cashner 4-7)	at Colorado	(Bettis 9-6),	5:10 p.m.
Milwaukee	(Garza 2-4)	at Arizona	(Corbin 4-10),	5:10 p.m.
Philadelphia	(Thompson 0-0)	at San Diego	(Clemens 1-2),	5:40 p.m.
NORTHWEST LEAGUE				
Friday's Games				
Spokane	13,	Salem-Keizer	6	
Hillsboro	7,	Everett	5	
Eugene	3,	Vancouver	2	
Tri-City	3,	Boise	2	
Saturday's Games				
Spokane	at Salem-Keizer,	6:35 p.m.		
Hillsboro	at Everett,	7:05 p.m.		
Vancouver	at Eugene,	7:05 p.m.		
Boise	at Tri-City,	7:15 p.m.		

### Soccer

MLS	
Friday's Game	
	W
New York City FC	0,
San Jose	0
Saturday's Games	
DC United	at Philadelphia,
Montreal	at Houston,
Toronto	at New England,
Colorado	at Vancouver,
Real Salt Lake	at Chicago,
Friday's Game	
	W
At PT River Highlands	
Cromwell, Conn.	
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Second Round	
Tyrone Van Aswegen	67-66133-7
Daniel Berger	66-67133-7
Russell Henley	65-66133-7
Marc Leishman	65-66133-7
Jerry Kelly	64-70134-6
Robert Garrigus	67-67134-6
Russell Knox	67-67134-6
Patrick Rodgers	68-66134-6
Blayne Barber	71-64135-5
Paul Casey	68-67135-5
Scott Pinckney	68-67135-5
Brian Stuard	70-65135-5
Vaughn Taylor	64-71135-5
Vijay Singh	67-68135-5
Jon Rahm	65-70135-5
Cameron Smith	69-67136-4
Jason Kokrak	70-66136-4
Ryan Moore	70-66136-4
Matt Kuchar	69-67136-4
Spencer Levin	69-67136-4

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NASCAR Sprint Cup	
Points Standings	
	Points
Through Aug. 1	
1. Kevin Harvick	709
2. Brad Keselowski	687
3. Kurt Busch	658
4. Kyle Busch	634
5. Carl Edwards	626
6. Joey Logano	612
7. Jimmie Johnson	577
8. Martin Truex Jr.	577
9. Denny Hamlin	576
10. Matt Kenseth	569
11. Austin Dillon	549
12. Ryan Newman	537
13. Chase Elliott	533
14. Jamie McMurray	517
15. Kyle Larson	508
16. Kasey Kahne	488
17. Trevor Bayne	480
18. Ryan Blaney	480
19. Ricky Stenhouse Jr.	472
20. Dale Earnhardt Jr.	461
21. AJ Allmendinger	449
22. Greg Biffle	414
23. Paul Menard	403
24. Daniel Patrick	392
25. Clint Bowyer	374
26. Aric Almirola	365
27. Tony Stewart	353
28. Casey Mears	330
29. Landon Cassill	316
30. David Ragan	287
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