

# Russell Westbrook wins NBA MVP

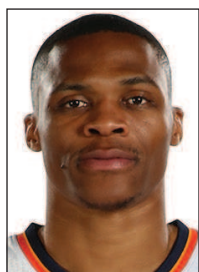
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NEW YORK — Russell Westbrook moved past Oscar Robertson and kept right on going to the top of the NBA.

Westbrook was voted MVP on Monday night after setting a record with 42 triple-doubles during his historic season. He led the league with 31.6 points and added 10.7 rebounds and 10.4 assists per game, joining Robertson as the only players to average a triple-double for the season and breaking Robertson's single-season record of 41 triple-doubles in 1961-62.

"I remember growing up just being home, playing the video games and stuff with my pops, and my mom sitting there and my brother and just talking about maybe one day I could be the MVP. Obviously I was joking at the time," Westbrook said.

"But now to be standing here with this trophy next to me is a true



Westbrook

a fan vote to easily beat Houston's James Harden, who had 22 first-place votes and 753 points. Kawhi Leonard was third with nine first-place votes and 500 points.

Westbrook succeeded Stephen Curry, who had won the past two MVP awards. The point guard who plays with defiance on the court got choked up during an acceptance speech in which he brought some teammates onto the stage with him.

"Oscar, guys like him, Magic Johnson, those guys, obviously I

bleeding, man, and it's an unbelievable feeling, something that I can never imagine."

He received 69 first-place votes and 888 points from a panel of 100 media members and

wasn't able to see those guys play, but just to look back at history and see the things that they did, it's something that I looked up to as a kid," Westbrook said.

"I never thought I would be able to say that I broke Oscar Robertson's record, and that's just a true blessing."

Earlier, Milwaukee's Malcolm Brogdon became the first player not picked in the first round to win NBA Rookie of the Year in the common draft era, beating out Philadelphia's Dario Saric and Joel Embiid.

Brogdon was the No. 36 overall selection out of Virginia. The common draft era began in 1966.

Teammate Giannis Antetokounmpo won the Most Improved Player award, Houston coach Mike D'Antoni won his second Coach of the Year award, the Rockets' Eric Gordon was Sixth Man of the Year, and Golden State's Draymond Green won the Defensive Player of the Year, ending Leonard's two-year run.

# HODGEN: Naughton blasts solo home run

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Russell then hit an RBI double in the sixth to give Hodgen a big insurance run for the 10-7 final. Russell reached base all four times at the plate in the game, going 2 for 2 with two walks, two runs and an RBI. Chris Large got the win after throwing six innings and allowing six earned runs.

Later in the day Hodgen and Yakima traded momentum early in the game, with Hodgen taking an 8-0 lead in the second inning, only to have Yakima tie it with an eight-run bottom frame to tie the game at 8-8. Hodgen then re-took the lead in the third inning and added on in the fourth with a six-run outburst, headlined by a solo home run from Daniel Naughton which made it a 14-8 game.

Naughton had a big day at the plate, going 4 for 5 with his home run, three runs scored, two RBI and a double. Avery Deutz was close behind with a three-hit game.

Yakima made a comeback in the seventh, pushing three runs across to cut the deficit to two runs, but Justin Duso came on to pitch for Hodgen with two outs and threw one

pitch to get the final out and close out the win.

In the Sunday finale against Bellingham, Hodgen led 7-5 until a seven-run outburst in the top of the fourth inning blew the game open to a 14-5 lead and it cruised to the finish line. Ryan Stahl got the win on the mound throwing three innings and allowing one earned run, and then led the team with four hits while scoring two runs and driving in a run.

Brett Swanson also had four hits, adding one run, a triple and 3 RBI. Naughton, Duso and Large each had two hits apiece as well.

## UP NEXT

Hodgen will participate in a Fourth of July Tournament in Spokane, Washington starting on Friday.

Saturday 1	R	H	E
PSC 230110	0	7	9
HDG 042031	X	10	5

W — C. Large.  
2B — A. Deutz, D. Naughton, R. Russell (HDG).

Saturday 2	R	H	E
HDG 441600	0	15	13
YKM 080020	3	13	10

(H) T. Chichester, T. Morris (2), C. Henderson (5), A. Feil (6), J. Duso (7), W — T. Morris.

Sunday	R	H	E
HDG 340700	0	14	16
BEL 410001	1	7	7

(H) R. Stahl, R. Russell (4), W — Stahl.  
3B — B. Swanson (HDG).

# LINE: Reports to EOU's fall camp on August 8

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lines to allow a small break from the heat.

"It made it difficult," Line recalled of the heat. "I felt pretty dehydrated after the game."

Aside from the game, players also were involved in several activities throughout the week, including a team trip to a movie and a wing

eating contest at Buffalo Wild Wings. Line participated in the wing-eating contest, which featured players from either team going head-to-head in the restaurant's Blazin Challenge.

Line's turn featured some controversy, he said.

"They said the other guy won and I had finished two seconds after him," Line said, "but I had swallowed all of mine and he just had this big ball of

chicken he was still chewing in his mouth. Of course they changed the rules after I went, but oh well."

Overall, Line, who reports to Eastern Oregon University for training camp on Aug. 8, said that his experience over the course of the week was a memorable one.

"It was pretty fun and nice to meet and play with a bunch of good players," he said.

# MLS: Seattle leads all-time series 9-5-5

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half. Seattle is winless in three straight games.

Heat in Portland moved the game to the evening, but temperatures were still in the 90s at the start of the game. The game was stopped for a hydration break in the first half.

The two teams and the Vancouver Whitecaps play in the unique three-way Cascadia Cup, decided each season on points. The rivalry dates to 1975 when the teams were with the old North American Soccer League, but fans of the three teams christened the Cascadia Cup in 2004. Vancouver is the defending cup champion.

"Feels like a loss. Very disappointing," Timbers coach Celeb Porter said. "Didn't think we managed the second half well. This has now become a pattern. Again, we're in a winning position and don't show a strong enough mentality, a strong enough urgency. When I look at how we played after we gave up the goal, that's the way we should play every game, for 90 minutes."

The Timbers tied it at 1 in the 44th minute on Adi's penalty kick. Evans got the red card for bringing down Darlington Nagbe in the box and was sent off.

Adi is the first Timbers



Pete Christopher/The Oregonian via AP

Portland Timbers Dairon Asprilla celebrates his first half goal during an MLS soccer game against Seattle Sounders FC, Sunday, June 25, 2017, in Portland, Ore.

player to reach 50 goals over all eras of the team. He upped his total this season to nine goals.

Adi has eight goals in 10 career games against the Sounders, making him Portland's all-time leading scorer against Seattle.

Portland, which had dropped its previous two matches, went ahead 2-1 in first-half stoppage time on Asprilla's header off a corner kick, which he celebrated with backflips.

Dempsey came in as a sub in the 56th minute. The national team star headed in a pass from Roman Torres in the 94th for his fifth overall goal of the season.

Sounders coach Brian Schmetzer didn't start Dempsey because of the heat.

"We just said, 'Look, it's going to be hot, let's take some sting out of the game, and I'm going to use you as I see the game fit,'" Schmetzer said. "And he said, 'Yeah, anything. Whatever for the team.' And he came on and really did a good job."

The coach also noted: "He loves scoring against Portland."

Told of his coach's comments, Dempsey smiled.

"I like scoring against everybody," he said. "Any goal is a great goal."

Seattle leads the series in MLS 9-5-5, and the all-time series 50-35-13. It was the 98th all-time meeting between the two teams.

It was Portland's 116th consecutive sellout.

# BEAVERS: Fehmel should anchor staff

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Preston Jones. Junior third baseman Michael Gretler, drafted in the 39th round (1,168th overall), has the option of returning to school. Gretler hit .301 with five homers and 33 RBIs.

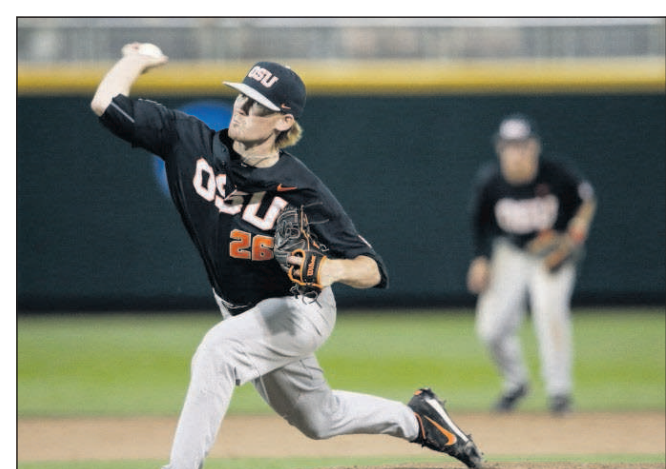
Sophomore Zak Taylor and freshman Tyler Malone are candidates to replace Harrison at first. Also fighting for playing time next year will be freshman infielders Andy Armstrong and George Mendazona.

On the pitching side, redshirt sophomore Drew Rasmussen (31st overall, Tampa Bay Rays) and redshirt junior Jake Thompson (131st overall, Boston Red Sox) were high picks and are likely candidates to sign.

Rasmussen, who returned from Tommy John surgery in April, finished 3-0 with a 1.00 earned-run average in 27 innings. He started four games and made four relief appearances, including a save in the Beavers' CWS opener against Cal State Fullerton.

Thompson went 14-1 with a 1.96 ERA in 20 appearances (19 starts), striking out 119 in 128 innings.

Other than redshirt senior reliever Max Engelbrekt, a 40th-round pick (1,213th overall) by the Washington



AP Photo/Nati Harnik

Oregon State pitcher Bryce Fehmel (26) works against LSU during a College World Series baseball game in Omaha, Neb., Monday, June 19, 2017. Fehmel is one of many Beavers returning in 2018.

Nationals, OSU should return the rest of its pitching staff that led Division I with a 1.93 ERA.

Sophomore Bryce Fehmel (6-3, 3.87), redshirt sophomore Sam Tweedt (3-0, 2.50), sophomore Jordan Britton (2-0, 2.45) and freshman Jake Mulholland (7-1, 1.20) could all be battling for spots in the rotation. Freshmen Brandon Eisert (5-0, 2.31), Mitchell Verburg (1-0, 0.93) and Grant Gambrell (1-0, 2.93) all showed flashes of brilliance out of the pen, as did junior Mitch Hickey (0-0, 4.91).

Add in the potential return of junior ace Luke Heimlich (11-1, 0.76 ERA), the Pac-12 pitcher of the

year who removed himself from competition following a report detailing his juvenile record in The Oregonian, OSU could be just as strong on the mound in 2018.

Yeskie praised the veterans for mentoring the talented crop of freshmen and sophomores.

"What (Rasmussen) was able to give to us at times when he wasn't between the white lines was huge," Yeskie said. "The growth and development of Thompson, Heimlich and what they passed on down to the younger guys is great. I can't speak enough of Max Engelbrekt. I'm extremely happy that he chose to come back for that fifth year and he was rewarded accordingly."

## SCOREBOARD

### Baseball

MLB

#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

##### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	41	33	.554	—
Boston	42	34	.553	—
Tampa Bay	40	38	.513	3
Baltimore	37	38	.493	4 1/2
Toronto	36	39	.480	5 1/2

##### Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Cleveland	40	35	.533	—
Minnesota	39	35	.527	1/2
Kansas City	37	37	.500	2 1/2
Detroit	33	42	.440	7
Chicago	32	43	.426	8

##### West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	52	25	.675	—
Los Angeles	41	39	.512	1 1/2
Seattle	39	39	.500	1 3/4
Texas	38	38	.500	1 3/4
Oakland	34	42	.447	1 7/8

#### Monday's Games

Boston 4, Minnesota 1  
Cleveland 15, Texas 9

N.Y. Yankees 6, Chicago White Sox 5  
L.A. Angels 4, L.A. Dodgers 0

#### Tuesday's Games

Tampa Bay (Cobb 6-5) at Pittsburgh  
(Williams 3-3), 4:05 p.m.

Baltimore (Gausman 3-7) at Toronto  
(Biagini 2-6), 4:07 p.m.

Kansas City (Strahm 2-4) at Detroit  
(Verlander 4-4), 4:10 p.m.

Minnesota (Santiago 4-6) at Boston  
(Pomeranz 6-4), 4:10 p.m.

Texas (Ross 1-1) at Cleveland  
(Clevinger 3-3), 4:10 p.m.

N.Y. Yankees (Severino 5-3) at Chicago  
White Sox (Quintana 4-8), 5:10 p.m.

Oakland (Manaea 6-4) at Houston  
(Fiers 5-2), 5:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels (Chavez 5-7) at L.A. Dodgers  
(Maeda 5-3), 7:10 p.m.

Philadelphia (Nola 4-5) at Seattle  
(Paxton 5-2), 7:10 p.m.

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

##### East Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	45	31	.592	—
Atlanta	36	39	.480	8 1/2
Miami	34	40	.459	10
New York	34	41	.453	10 1/2
Philadelphia	24	51	.320	20 1/2

##### Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	41	37	.526	—
St. Louis	39	37	.513	1
Chicago	35	40	.467	4 1/2
Pittsburgh	35	41	.461	5
Cincinnati	31	44	.413	8 1/2

##### West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	51	27	.654	—
Arizona	49	28	.636	1 1/2

Colorado	47	32	.595	4 1/2
San Diego	31	45	.408	19
San Francisco	28	51	.354	23 1/2

#### Monday's Games

Philadelphia 1  
St. Louis 8, Cincinnati 2

Chicago Cubs 5, Washington 4  
San Francisco 9, Colorado 2

L.A. Angels 4, L.A. Dodgers 0

#### Tuesday's Games

Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 7-5) at Washington  
(Scherzer 8-5), 4:05 p.m.

Tampa Bay (Cobb 6-5) at Pittsburgh  
(Williams 3-3), 4:05 p.m.

Milwaukee (Guerra 1-1) at Cincinnati  
(Adrianza 4-4), 4:10 p.m.

N.Y. Mets (Gsellman 5-5) at Miami  
(Straily 5-4), 4:10 p.m.

St. Louis (Martinez 6-6) at Arizona  
(Walker 6-3), 6:40 p.m.

Atlanta (Newcomb 0-2) at San Diego  
(Chacin 6-6), 7:10 p.m.

L.A. Angels (Chavez 5-7) at L.A. Dodgers  
(Maeda 5-3), 7:10 p.m.

Philadelphia (Nola 4-5) at Seattle  
(Paxton 5-2), 7:10 p.m.

Colorado (Hoffman 4-1) at San Francisco  
(Cain 3-7), 7:15 p.m.

#### ALL-STAR FAN VOTING

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#### AMERICAN LEAGUE

##### Catchers

- Salvador Perez, Royals, 2,150,223
- Gary Sanchez, Yankees, 1,337,651
- Brian McCann, Astros, 1,330,042
- Weligton Castillo, Orioles, 1,050,023
- Yan Gomes, Indians, 895,482

##### First Basemen

- Jose Altuve, Astros, 2,925,041
- Starlin Castro, Yankees, 1,737,446
- Jason Kipnis, Indians, 957,179
- Whit Merrifield, Royals, 589,154
- Dustin Pedroia, Red Sox, 551,841

##### Third Basemen

- Miguel Sano, Twins, 1,550,240
- Jose Ramirez, Indians, 1,341,076
- Josh Donaldson, Blue Jays, 1,191,244
- Mike Moustakas, Royals, 1,067,150
- Manny Machado, Orioles, 946,013

##### Shortstops

- Francisco Correa, Astros, 2,229,857
- Carlos Lindor, Indians, 1,648,532
- Didi Gregorius, Yankees, 1,069,822
- Xander Bogaerts, Red Sox, 982,922
- Troy Tulowitzki, Blue Jays, 783,649

##### Designated Hitters

- Nelson Cruz, Mariners, 1,366,962
- Corey Dickerson, Rays, 1,267,234
- Edwin Encarnacion, Indians, 1,186,483
- Matt Holliday, Yankees, 1,107,847
- Evan Gattis, Astros, 885,391

##### Outfielders

- Aaron Judge, Yankees, 3,442,597
- Mike Trout, Angels, 2,559,173
- George Springer, Astros, 1,619,385
- Michael Brantley, Indians, 1,325,473
- Avissail Garcia, White Sox, 1,292,694
- Mookie Betts, Red Sox, 1,223,195
- Jose Bautista, Blue Jays, 1,055,645
- Carlos Beltran, Astros, 1,054,503
- Brett Gardner, Yankees, 889,616
- Lonnie Chisenhall, Indians, 885,443
- Andrew Benintendi, Red Sox, 869,774
- Lorenzo Cain, Royals, 829,284

#### NATIONAL LEAGUE

##### Catcher

- Buster Posey, Giants, 2,530,713
- Wilton Contreras, Cubs, 1,216,513
- Yadier Molina, Cardinals, 1,068,485
- Yasmani Grandal, Dodgers, 749,923
- Matt Wieters, Nationals, 680,644

##### First Basemen

- Ryan Zimmerman, Nationals, 1,728,607
- Anthony Rizzo, Cubs, 1,601,245
- Paul Goldschmidt, D-backs, 1,200,995
- Freddie Freeman, Braves, 767,375
- Joey Votto, Reds, 703,832

##### Second Basemen

- Daniel Murphy, Nationals, 3,057,360
- ATD Ameritrate Park Omaha  
Omaha, Neb.
- DJ LeMahieu, Rockies, 621,188
- Brandon Phillips, Braves, 475,916
- Logan Forsythe, Dodgers, 393,238

##### Third Basemen

- Kris Bryant, Cubs, 1,978,692
- Nolan Arenado, Rockies, 1,920,610
- Justin Turner, Dodgers, 1,075,524
- Anthony Rendon, Nationals, 779,468
- Jake Lamb, D-backs, 726,560

##### Shortstop

- Zack Cozart, Reds, 1,915,806
- Corey Seager, Dodgers, 1,657,732
- Addison Russell, Cubs, 1,204,204
- Trea Turner, Nationals, 804,703
- Chris Owings, D-backs, 676,666