

# Machado, Padres agree to \$300M, 10-year deal

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SAN DIEGO — With their city's long-suffering fans desperate for a winner, the rebuilding San Diego Padres delivered their splashiest free agent signing ever by agreeing with All-Star infielder Manny Machado on a \$300 million, 10-year deal.

A person familiar with the negotiations confirmed the deal to The Associated Press on Tuesday, speaking on condition of anonymity because the agreement was subject to a successful physical and had not been announced. Machado can opt out after five years and become a free agent again, the person said.

Machado's agreement would be the second-largest in baseball history behind Giancarlo Stanton's \$325 million, 13-year deal signed with the Miami Marlins ahead of the 2015 season. It would be the highest deal for a free agent, topping Alex Rodriguez's \$275 million, 10-year contract with the New York Yankees from 2008-17.

More records may be broken soon. Free agent out-



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In this Oct. 16, 2018, file photo, Los Angeles Dodgers' Manny Machado (8) reacts after scoring on a Cody Bellinger walk-off hit during the 13th inning of Game 4 of the National League Championship Series baseball game against the Milwaukee Brewers in Los Angeles.

fielder Bryce Harper could top Stanton's deal in coming days or weeks.

That won't matter a bit to Padres fans, who have never celebrated a World Series title and were keeping their fingers crossed in recent days as it became apparent that their team, with

a mostly sad-sack history stretching back a half-century, actually had a chance at landing Machado, who is only 26.

Some fans seemed braced for yet another disappointment. But news of the deal was greeted with euphoria on social media.

Speaking at spring training in Peoria, Arizona, Padres executive chairman Ron Fowler declined to confirm the deal, saying: "We do not have a deal with any free agent player. We are continuing discussions, and that's all we have to say."

Teams draw a distinction

between an agreement subject to a physical and a finalized deal.

While Fowler looked serious, general partner Peter Seidler couldn't help but smile while waiting for his turn to speak.

Without confirming the deal, Seidler — a nephew of former Los Angeles Dodgers owner Peter O'Malley — spoke of what his ownership group wants to bring to San Diego, where the Padres play in a gem of a ballpark just off the bay.

"Ron and I, we love the city of San Diego, we love sports in San Diego, but we're also well aware of the history. There's never been a championship from a major sports franchise in San Diego. ... We as an organization want to completely change that. We want our franchise to win year after year after year. And we're going to do whatever we can rationally do to help make that happen."

The Padres lost 96 games last year, haven't had a winning season since 2010 and haven't been to the playoffs since 2006. They haven't won a playoff series since the 1998 NL Championship against Atlanta. They were

routed in their two World Series appearances, by Detroit in 1984 and the New York Yankees in 1998.

And they've had the city's big league sports scene to themselves since the NFL's Chargers moved to the Los Angeles area two seasons ago. The Chargers did win the AFL title in 1963 but were blown out by San Francisco in their only Super Bowl appearance, after the 1994 season.

Other than the AFL title, the biggest championships won around here were probably Little League World Series titles in 2009 by Park View of Chula Vista and in 1961 by El Cajon-La Mesa Northern, which included Brian Sipe, who won the NFL's MVP Award in 1980.

Padres players were ecstatic, even though the signing was not yet official.

Catcher Austin Hedges was headed toward bunting drills when he heard the news. He pumped his fists and said, "I'm just that excited about bunting."

"You see me smiling right here," said first baseman Eric Hosmer, who exactly a year ago earlier finalized a \$144 million, eight-year deal with San Diego.

## Hoops: Boys score a victory in final game of the regular season

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Bradt turned around and drained one of her own to send the game into overtime at 51-51.

"I just told the girls, 'Just keep your composure,'" Porter said. "When they got up on us towards the end, we started rushing. Sometimes, you just have to settle the troops a little."

Clark returned with four unanswered points in overtime to keep the Ravens ahead, but Bradt sunk a point at the line to push the game into double overtime.

The Ravens knocked down eight points over Pendleton's three — another trey from Nirschl — to put the game away and replace the Bucks as the IMC's No. 2 seed.

"I feel like both teams played their best — it was only a matter of a few shots," Nirschl said. "I'd rather play a game like this than blow a team out by 40 points. This was exciting."

Bradt led Pendleton (8-12, 4-2 IMC) with 16 points and 17 rebounds. Neveau added 12, and Nirschl and Hoinsington each had 11.

With the number of league games dropped due to the winter weather, the IMC has canceled the second half of the regular season. In its place, a tournament has been scheduled to



Staff photo by Kathy Aney

Pendleton's Natalie Neveau (21) drives to the basket during Tuesday's playoff game against Ridgeview.

close out the season, with the higher-seeded school set to host each contest.

Pendleton will host Hood River Valley on Thursday

at 6:30 p.m. for the tournament's first round.

### Boys hoops

It may not have been



Staff photo by Kathy Aney

Pendleton's Josie Wilson (10) goes up for a shot during Tuesday's playoff game against Ridgeview.

the performance they were expecting, but the Pendleton boys still managed to end the regular season with a win.

The No. 2 Bucks (15-5, 5-1 IMC) dropped the bottom-ranked Ridgeview Ravens 76-61 on Tuesday.

"It was closer than it should have been," said coach Zach Dong. "Ridgeview is getting better —

they play hard, aggressive defense and are really good about putting the pressure on you."

The Bucks shot out to a 25-14 lead in the first quarter. But the Ravens played better in the second, were outscored by 1 point, and ended the half down 41-29.

Sophomore Dakota Sams, who led Pendleton 29 points, rang off 11 in the

first quarter alone.

"This was a great game for Dakota," Dong said. "Overcoming (Ridgeview's) defense was our biggest challenge. Cam Sandford also did a good job coming off the bench and getting in front of them. He helped stop them from beating us off the dribble."

The Ravens topped Pendleton 15-14 in the third quarter, but the Bucks kept things in their control in the final eight minutes, posting 21 points to seal the win.

"Defensively, we were a little rusty," Dong said. "This was day 12 since we last played a game. We had to shake off some rust."

The No. 2 Bucks return to the court on Saturday at Blue Mountain Community College in a league tournament matchup. Their opponent will be determined on Thursday.

### BOYS' BOX SCORE

Pendleton 25 16 14 21 — 76  
Ridgeview 14 15 15 17 — 61  
PENDLETON — Sams 29, Newsom 25, Broncheau 8, Sandford 4, O'Hanlon 4, Sweek 4, Sams 2  
RIDGEVIEW — Davis 17, Conroy 14, Carpenter 13, Johnson 7, Edmonson 4, Sheldon 3, Buckley 3

### GIRLS' BOX SCORE

Ridgeview 14 12 16 9 4 8 — 63  
Pendleton 13 10 13 15 4 3 — 58  
RIDGEVIEW — Clark 12, Pentzer 11, Love 11, Hall 11, Sargent 8, Albrecht 7, Jensen 3  
PENDLETON — Bradt 16, Neveau 12, Nirschl 11, Hoinsington 11, Spriet 6, Guerrero 2

## Mac-Hi falls to Baker in district championships

East Oregonian

Bulldogs 51-34 in a Greater Oregon League district championship contest.

The Mac-Hi boys' best run in 24 years came to an end on Tuesday, after losing to the No. 1 Baker

The Pioneers (16-9, 3-3) ended at No. 2 in the league.

## Elite: Teams improving

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split their regular-season series, a third showdown is possible during the Pac-12 tournament in Las Vegas next month. Oregon currently sits atop the league's regular-season standings.

"I don't know where else this is happening, with two programs this close together geographically, so it just makes everything we're doing more special knowing that we've got amazing platforms to operate from locally and nationally," Rueck said. "All eyes are on Oregon right now."

Both teams also look to be high seeds in the

NCAA Tournament if they continue to win.

The Ducks, Baylor, Louisville, and Mississippi State were the No. 1 seeds in the first NCAA Top 16 reveal on Feb. 11. Oregon State was a No. 3 seed. The NCAA will have one more reveal of the top 16 teams on March 4 before Selection Monday on March 18.

Mississippi State, Louisville and Oregon all lost this past week, meaning there already looks to be a shake-up at the top for the next reveal. If Oregon can remain a top seed, the Ducks will remain close to home in the Portland regional.

### LOCAL SLATE

**WEDNESDAY, FEB. 20**  
**Girls Basketball**  
Lone at Joseph, 5:30 p.m.  
Southwest Christian at Echo, 6 p.m.  
**Men's Basketball**  
Walla Walla at Blue Mountain, 7:30 p.m.  
**Women's Basketball**  
Walla Walla at Blue Mountain, 5:30 p.m.  
**FRIDAY, FEB. 22**  
**Men's Basketball**  
Big Bend at Blue Mountain, 7:30 p.m.  
**Women's Basketball**  
Big Bend at Blue Mountain, 5:30 p.m.  
**Boys Basketball**  
Umatilla at Sutherlin, 5:30 p.m.  
Kennedy at Heppner, 6 p.m.  
**Boys Wrestling**  
Pendleton, Irrigon, Heppner/Lone, Echo/Stanfield, Riverside at State Wrestling (Portland), 9 a.m.  
**SATURDAY, FEB. 23**  
**Boys Wrestling**  
Pendleton, Irrigon, Heppner/Lone, Echo/Stanfield, Riverside at State Wrestling (Portland), 9 a.m.  
**Girls Basketball**  
Santiam at Heppner, 2 p.m.

### NBA

EASTERN CONFERENCE				
Atlantic	W	L	Pct	GB
Toronto	43	16	.729	—
Boston	37	21	.638	5½
Philadelphia	37	21	.638	5½
Brooklyn	30	29	.508	13
New York	11	47	.190	31½
Southeast				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Charlotte	27	30	.474	—
Miami	26	30	.464	½
Orlando	27	32	.458	1
Washington	24	34	.414	3½
Atlanta	19	39	.328	8½
Central				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Milwaukee	43	14	.754	—
Indiana	38	20	.655	5½
Detroit	26	30	.464	16½

### SCOREBOARD

Chicago	14	44	.241	29½
Cleveland	12	46	.207	31½
WESTERN CONFERENCE				
Southwest				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Houston	33	24	.579	—
San Antonio	33	26	.559	1
Dallas	26	31	.456	7
New Orleans	26	33	.441	8
Memphis	23	36	.390	11
Northwest				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Denver	39	18	.684	—
Oklahoma City	37	20	.649	2
Portland	34	23	.596	5
Utah	32	25	.561	7
Minnesota	27	30	.474	12
Pacific				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Golden State	41	16	.719	—
L.A. Clippers	32	27	.542	10
Sacramento	30	27	.526	11
L.A. Lakers	28	29	.491	13
Phoenix	11	48	.186	31
Monday's Games				
No games scheduled.				
Tuesday's Games				
No games scheduled.				
Wednesday's Games				
No games scheduled.				
Thursday's Games				
Miami at Philadelphia, 4 p.m.				
Phoenix at Cleveland, 4 p.m.				
Portland at Brooklyn, 4:30 p.m.				
Boston at Milwaukee, 5 p.m.				
Houston at L.A. Lakers, 7:30 p.m.				
Sacramento at Golden State, 7:30 p.m.				
Friday's Games				
Chicago at Orlando, 4 p.m.				
New Orleans at Indiana, 4 p.m.				
San Antonio at Toronto, 4 p.m.				
Washington at Charlotte, 4 p.m.				
Detroit at Atlanta, 4:30 p.m.				
Minnesota at New York, 4:30 p.m.				
L.A. Clippers at Memphis, 5 p.m.				
Denver at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.				
Utah at Oklahoma City, 6:30 p.m.				
Saturday's Games				
Portland at Philadelphia, 10 a.m.				
Brooklyn at Charlotte, 4 p.m.				
Indiana at Washington, 4 p.m.				

L.A. Lakers at New Orleans, 4 p.m.							
Memphis at Cleveland, 4 p.m.							
Phoenix at Atlanta, 4 p.m.							
Detroit at Miami, 4:30 p.m.							
Boston at Chicago, 5 p.m.							
Sacramento at Oklahoma City, 5 p.m.							
Houston at Golden State, 5:30 p.m.							
Minnesota at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.							
Dallas at Utah, 7 p.m.							
Sunday's Games							
Orlando at Toronto, 12:30 p.m.							
L.A. Clippers at Denver, 2 p.m.							
San Antonio at New York, 4:30 p.m.							
NHL							
EASTERN CONFERENCE							
Atlantic	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Tampa Bay	61	46	11	4	96	242	162
Boston	60	35	17	8	78	181	155
Toronto	59	36	19	4	76	208	167
Montreal	60	32	21	7	71	179	176
Buffalo	59	28	24	7	63	170	185
Florida	58	26	24	8	60	181	199
Detroit	60	23	29	8	54	168	199
Ottawa	59	22	32	5	49	186	219
Metropolitan							
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
N.Y. Islanders	58	35	17	4	76	169	138
Washington	60	33	20	7	73	202	191
Pittsburgh	60	32	21	7	71	210	187
Columbus	59	33	23	3	69	188	180
Carolina	60	31	23	6	68	174	167
Philadelphia	60	28	25	7	63	178	201
N.Y. Rangers	59	26	25	8	60	172	195
New Jersey	60	23	29	8	54	176	208
WESTERN CONFERENCE							
Central	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Winnipeg	59	36	19	4	76	202	171
Nashville	62	35	22	5	75	197	163
St. Louis	62	32	22	5	69	177	164
Dallas	59	29	25	5	63	148	154
Minnesota	60	27	27	6	60	164	180
Colorado	59	24	24	11	59	189	192
Chicago	60	25	26	9	59	200	223
Pacific							
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Calgary	59	36	17	7	79	217	176
San Jose	60	35	17	8	78	219	190
Vegas	61	32	25	4	68	180	172
Vancouver	60	26	27	7	59	170	188

Arizona	59	26	28	5	57	154	172
Anaheim	60	24	27	9	57	137	187
Edmonton	58	24	29	5	53	163	195
Los Angeles	59	23	30	6	52	143	182
NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.							
Monday's Games							
Calgary 5, Arizona 2							
Tampa Bay 5, Columbus 1							
Chicago 8, Ottawa 7							
Colorado 3, Vegas 0							
Boston 6, San Jose 5, OT							
Washington 3, Los Angeles 2							
Tuesday's Games							
Florida 4, Buffalo 2							
Tampa Bay 5, Philadelphia 2							
Pittsburgh 4, New Jersey 3							
N.Y. Rangers 2, Carolina 1							
Montreal 3, Columbus 2							
St. Louis 3, Toronto 2, OT							
Anaheim 4, Minnesota 0							
Nashville 5, Dallas 3							
Arizona at Edmonton, 6 p.m.							
Wednesday's Games							
Chicago at Detroit, 4:30 p.m.							
Winnipeg at Colorado, 5:30 p.m.							
N.Y. Islanders at Calgary, 6:30 p.m.							
Boston at Vegas, 7 p.m.							
Thursday's Games							
Washington at Toronto, 4 p.m.							
Ottawa at New Jersey, 4 p.m.							
Carolina at Florida, 4 p.m.							
San Jose at Pittsburgh, 4 p.m.							
Minnesota at N.Y. Rangers, 4 p.m.							
Buffalo at Tampa Bay, 4:30 p.m.							
Philadelphia at Montreal, 4:30 p.m.							
Los Angeles at Nashville, 5 p.m.							
St. Louis at Dallas, 5:30 p.m.							
N.Y. Islanders at Edmonton, 6 p.m.							
Arizona at Vancouver, 7 p.m.							
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Winnipeg at Vegas, 7 p.m.							