

AP source: Seattle close to naming Ron Francis as GM

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play in the 2021-22 season as the NHL's 32nd team.

SEATTLE — Seattle's NHL expansion team is close to an agreement with Hockey Hall of Famer Ron Francis to become its first general manager, a person with direct knowledge tells The Associated Press.

The person spoke on condition of anonymity Tuesday because the team had not made an announcement.

The expansion Seattle franchise is set to begin

After longtime Detroit GM Ken Holland went to Edmonton, adviser Dave Tippett left Seattle Hockey Partners LLC to become Oilers coach and Vegas' Kelly McCrimmon and Columbus' Bill Zito got promotions, there was a limited pool of experienced NHL executives to choose from for this job. Francis fits that bill.

The 56-year-old has been in hockey operations since shortly after the end



AP Photo/Gerry Broome, File
In this May 5, 2014, file photo, Ron Francis, at the time the general manager of the Carolina Hurricanes, takes questions from members of the media during a news conference in Raleigh, N.C.

of his Hall of Fame playing career. All of that time has come with the Carolina Hurricanes, including four seasons as their GM.

Carolina didn't make the playoffs with Francis in charge of decision-making, though his moves put the foundation in place for the team that reached the Eastern Conference final this past season.

Francis had 1,798 points in 1,731 games over 23 seasons with the Hartford Whalers/Hurricanes, Pittsburgh Penguins and

Toronto Maple Leafs. He won the Stanley Cup with Pittsburgh in 1991 and 1992.

Competing for the Cup in the early going will be the expectation for Seattle after the Golden Knights reached the Final in their inaugural season in 2017-18. Francis will have two full seasons to scout the rest of the league before his as-yet-named team's expansion draft in June 2021.

Francis did not immediately respond to a message seeking comment.

EOU Football Camp



Joel Richardson, an assistant Baker High School football coach, speaks with Pendleton High School player Blake Swanson Tuesday afternoon at Eastern Oregon University's Community Stadium. The two were talking following a practice session at the EOU 11-Man Team Camp. About 500 players from high schools in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Nevada are attending the camp, which started Monday and runs through Thursday.

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Mickelson: Longest streak in the top 50

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"I think we're all trying to adapt to this new schedule, this new rhythm of the majors, and they seem to be coming thick and fast at the moment," Rose said. "It's about trying to peak, valley and peak again. ... I think it's trial and error figuring out what's going to work. One major a month ... in my opinion, they're too soon."

It hasn't affected Brooks Koepka, who won the PGA Championship and was runner-up in the Masters and U.S. Open. No one has ever finished first or second in all four majors in the same year.

Justin Thomas can't relate to other players because he missed the PGA Championship with a wrist injury.

"But I think it's going to take a couple of years for everyone to figure out what

kind of works for them and getting ready for the majors or playing in other events that maybe they didn't have the opportunity to in previous years," Thomas said.

The schedule was rearranged to allow the PGA Tour season to finish at the end of August, before football. Rose argues that majors should be "protected the most" because "that's how all of our careers ultimately are going to

Registration ongoing for Hermiston's 3-on-3 basketball tournament

Registration is still ongoing for Hermiston's upcoming Takin' it to the Streets 3-on-3 basketball tournament this weekend.

There are currently 155 teams of three from across the region signed up to participate in the two-day event. The tournament kicks off on Saturday, June 20 at 8 a.m. and will run until 6 p.m. for both days.

Brackets will be available for players of all ages and abilities, ranging from second grade boys and girls through high school seniors. Adult brackets are also available

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for men and women. Men's brackets are divided by ability level — experienced athletes will compete in the open and weekend warriors divisions, while those who shoot hoops more casually can participate in the recreation division.

There will also be a men's bracket for those under 6 feet.

Late registrations are accepted. Teams can pick up their packets on Friday any time between 5 p.m. and 7 p.m. outside the basketball courts at Newport Park, behind Eastside Market, 582 E. Main St.

The tournament will be held on Main Street in Hermiston. For more information on registration, rules, bracketing, and lodging, visit www.hermiston3on3.org.



Staff photo by Ben Lonergan

Kaylee Young does pull-ups in the newly renovated Hermiston High School weight room.

Hermiston: Weight room gets first update in 17 years

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to female athletics. We like it. We can have fun and get our business done."

Garrett Walchli, who plays football and runs track, has put in some time in the new room.

"Strot and Faaeteete said if you want to be the best, you have to have the best," the senior said. "In the old room, we didn't

have as many plates and you would have to wait. Now, we can really kick it into high gear."

The future is now

The Hermiston football team has two hours worth of time in the room in the morning during the summer, followed by the girls.

There were about 50 girls Tuesday morning taking part in Strot's

summer weightlifting program.

"Strot started the program about five years ago, and three or so girls would show up," Palzinski said. "Now, the girls (lifting) classes have grown from one to two. She has instilled the belief that girls can be strong and beautiful. You need to build physical and mental strength."

SCOREBOARD

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

All Times PDT				
East	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	60	33	.645	—
Tampa Bay	56	41	.577	6
Boston	51	44	.537	10
Toronto	36	60	.375	25½
Baltimore	28	66	.298	32½
Central				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Minnesota	58	34	.630	—
Cleveland	52	40	.565	6
Chicago	42	49	.462	15½
Kansas City	34	62	.354	26
Detroit	29	60	.326	27½
West				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Houston	59	36	.621	—
Oakland	53	41	.564	5½
Texas	50	44	.532	8½
Los Angeles	49	46	.516	10
Seattle	39	58	.402	21

Tuesday's Games

N.Y. Yankees 8, Tampa Bay 3
Washington 8, Baltimore 1
Toronto 10, Boston 4
Kansas City 11, Chicago White Sox 0
Detroit at Cleveland, 4:10 p.m.
Arizona at Texas, 5:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Minnesota, 5:10 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Angels, 7:07 p.m.
Seattle at Oakland, 7:07 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

N.Y. Mets (Vargas 3-5) at Minnesota (Perez 8-3), 10:10 a.m.
Seattle (TBD) at Oakland (Bailey 7-6), 12:37 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Chirinos 8-4) at N.Y. Yankees (German 11-2), 4:05 p.m.
Washington (TBD) at Baltimore (Brooks 2-3), 4:05 p.m.
Detroit (Turnbull 3-8) at Cleveland (Clevinger 2-2), 4:10 p.m.
Toronto (Sanchez 3-13) at Boston (Rodriguez 10-4), 4:10 p.m.
Arizona (Ray 7-6) at Texas (Chavez 3-4), 5:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Nova 4-8) at Kansas City (Duffy 3-5), 5:15 p.m.
Houston (Cole 9-5) at L.A. Angels (TBD), 7:07 p.m.

Thursday's Games

Toronto at Boston, 10:05 a.m.
Chicago White Sox at Kansas City, 10:15 a.m.
Tampa Bay at N.Y. Yankees, 4:05 p.m.
Detroit at Cleveland, 4:10 p.m.
Oakland at Minnesota, 5:10 p.m.
Houston at L.A. Angels, 6:07 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

All Times PDT				
East	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	58	37	.611	—
Washington	50	43	.538	7
Philadelphia	49	46	.516	9
New York	42	51	.452	15
Miami	35	57	.380	21½
Central				
W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	50	44	.532	—
St. Louis	47	45	.511	2
Milwaukee	48	47	.505	2½

Tuesday's Games

Philadelphia 9, L.A. Dodgers 8
Washington 8, Baltimore 1
Miami 12, San Diego 7
Arizona at Texas, 5:05 p.m.
Cincinnati at Chicago Cubs, 5:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Milwaukee, 5:10 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at Minnesota, 5:10 p.m.
Pittsburgh at St. Louis, 5:15 p.m.
San Francisco at Colorado, 5:40 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

N.Y. Mets (TBD) at Minnesota (Perez 8-3), 10:10 a.m.
Pittsburgh (Archer 3-6) at St. Louis (Ponce de Leon 1-0), 10:15 a.m.
Atlanta (Keuchel 3-2) at Milwaukee (Anderson 4-2), 11:10 a.m.
Cincinnati (Gray 5-5) at Chicago Cubs (Darvish 2-4), 11:20 a.m.
San Francisco (Anderson 3-2) at Colorado (Gray 9-6), 12:10 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Maeda 7-6) at Philadelphia (Pivetta 4-4), 4:05 p.m.
Washington (TBD) at Baltimore (Brooks 2-3), 4:05 p.m.
San Diego (Paddack 5-4) at Miami (Richards 3-10), 4:10 p.m.
Arizona (Ray 7-6) at Texas (Chavez 3-4), 5:05 p.m.

Thursday's Games

San Diego at Miami, 9:10 a.m.
L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia, 9:35 a.m.
St. Louis at Cincinnati, 4:10 p.m.
Washington at Atlanta, 4:20 p.m.
Milwaukee at Arizona, 6:40 p.m.
N.Y. Mets at San Francisco, 6:45 p.m.

CYCLING

TOUR DE FRANCE RESULTS
Monday
At Albi, France
10th Stage
A 135.1-mile flat ride from Saint-Four to Albi, with four climbs, all Category 3 and 4

1. Wout Van Aert, Belgium, Jumbo-Visma, 4:49:39.
2. Elia Viviani, Italy, Deceuninck-QuickStep, same time.
3. Caleb Ewan, Australia, Lotto Soudal, same time.
4. Michael Matthews, Australia, Sunweb, same time.
5. Peter Sagan, Slovakia, Bora-Hansgrohe, same time.
6. Jasper Philipsen, Belgium, UAE Team Emirates, same time.
7. Sonny Colbrelli, Italy, Bahrain-Merida, same time.
8. Matteo Trentin, Italy, Mitchelton-Scott, same time.
9. Oliver Naesen, Belgium, AG2R La Mondiale, same time.
10. Greg Van Avermaet, Belgium, CCC, same time.

Tuesday's Games

11. Julian Alaphilippe, France, Deceuninck-QuickStep, same time.
12. Geraint Thomas, Britain, Ineos, same time.
13. Mads Wurtz, Denmark, Katusha Alpecin, same time.
14. Egan Bernal, Colombia, Ineos, same time.
15. Maximiliano Richeze, Argentina, Deceuninck-QuickStep, same time.
16. Patrick Konrad, Austria, Bora-Hansgrohe, same time.
17. Cees Bol, Netherlands, Sunweb, same time.
18. Steven Kruijswijk, Netherlands, Jumbo-Visma, 1:27.
19. Enric Mas, Spain, Deceuninck-QuickStep, same time.
20. Romain Bardet, France, AG2R La Mondiale, same time.

Also

63. Ben King, United States, Dimension Data, 2:14 behind.
 98. Joey Rosskopf, United States, CCC, 9:41.
 127. Chad Haga, United States, Sunweb, 2:32.
- Overall Standings (After 10 stages)**
1. Julian Alaphilippe, France, Deceuninck-QuickStep, 43:27:15.
 2. Geraint Thomas, Britain, Ineos, 1:12.
 3. Egan Bernal, Colombia, Ineos, 1:16.
 4. Steven Kruijswijk, Netherlands, Jumbo-Visma, 1:27.
 5. Emanuel Buchmann, Germany, Bora-Hansgrohe, 1:45.
 6. Enric Mas, Spain, Deceuninck-QuickStep, 1:46.
 7. Adam Yates, Britain, Mitchelton-Scott, 1:47.
 8. Nairo Quintana, Colombia, Movistar, 2:04.
 9. Daniel Martin, Ireland, UAE Team Emirates, 2:09.
 10. Giulio Ciccone, Italy, Trek-Segafredo, 2:32.
 11. Thibaut Pinot, France, Groupama-FDJ, 2:33.
 12. Patrick Konrad, Austria, Bora-Hansgrohe, 2:46.
 13. Rigoberto Uran, Colombia, EF Education First, 3:18.
 14. Alejandro Valverde, Spain, Movistar, same time.
 15. Romain Bardet, France, Bauke Mollema, Netherlands, Trek-Segafredo, 2:45.
 16. Jakob Fuglsang, Denmark, Astana, 3:22.
 17. Warren Barguil, France, Arkea-Samsic, 3:26.
 18. Roman Kreuziger, Czech Republic, Dimension Data, 3:28.
 19. Xandro Meurisse, Belgium, Wanty-Gobert, 3:42.
 20. Richie Porte, Australia, Trek-Segafredo, 3:59.
- Also**
83. Joey Rosskopf, United States, CCC, 57:32.
 91. Ben King, United States, Dimension Data, 1:03:46.
 169. Chad Haga, United States, Sunweb, 1:43:09.

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