

Sports

BAKER GIRLS SOCCER SEASON OPENER



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Baker's Kaitlyn Nelson takes control of the ball and lines up for a kick against Riverside Tuesday at the Baker Sports Complex.

Baker, Riverside open with 0-0 draw

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Baker and Riverside played to a 0-0 nonleague draw Tuesday in girls soccer action at the Baker Sports Complex. Riverside made Baker keeper Emily

Black scramble numerous times in the opening half, but she turned back each of the Pirates' shots.

The closest Riverside came to scoring came with 6:32 left in the half when a shot caromed off the left sidebar.

Baker had a couple of second-half runs at the Riverside goal, but also couldn't find the back of the net.

Baker's next action is Tuesday, Sept. 4 at 5 p.m. against Nyssa at the Sports Complex.

Spurs' star Manu Ginobili retires at 41

By Tim Reynolds
AP Basketball Writer

Manu Ginobili has played his final game, and with that a new era awaits the San Antonio Spurs.

Ginobili announced his decision to retire Monday, the 41-year-old wrapping up what he called a "fabulous journey" in which he helped the Spurs win four NBA championships in 16 seasons with the club. The smooth left-handed

guard from Argentina came to San Antonio in 2002, forming what quickly became a powerful "Big 3" alongside Tim Duncan and Tony Parker. Now, they've all moved on: Duncan retired two years ago, Parker left San Antonio earlier this summer as a free agent to sign with the Charlotte Hornets, and Ginobili has worn Spurs colors for the last time as well. "Today, with a wide range of feelings, I'm announcing my

retirement from basketball," Ginobili wrote on Twitter in making the announcement. "IMMENSE GRATITUDE to everyone (family, friends, teammates, coaches, staff, fans) involved in my life in the last 23 years. It's been a fabulous journey. Way beyond my wildest dreams."

The image Ginobili chose to accompany that tweet: a photo of him walking off the floor, away from the camera, with

four fingers aloft — signifying his four titles.

"An NBA champion and All-Star, Manu Ginobili is also a pioneer who helped globalize the NBA," NBA Commissioner Adam Silver said. "He is one of basketball's greatest ambassadors who believes in the power of sports to change lives. And for 16 years, we were fortunate to watch a legend compete at the highest level."

SCOREBOARD

TELEVISION

All Times PDT
Thursday, Aug. 30
U.S. Open, 9 a.m. (ESPN)
U.S. Open, 3 p.m. (ESPN2)
U.S. Open, 4 p.m. (ESPN2)
Missouri State at Oklahoma State, 5 p.m. (FS1)
Northwestern at Purdue, 5 p.m. (ESPN)
Seattle at Oakland, 6:30 p.m. (ROOT)
Oakland at Seattle, 7 p.m. (KPTV)
Friday, Aug. 31
U.S. Open, 9 a.m. (ESPN2)
U.S. Open, 3 p.m. (ESPN2)
U.S. Open, 4 p.m. (ESPN2)
San Diego State at Stanford, 5 p.m. (FS1)
Western Kentucky at Wisconsin, 5 p.m. (ESPN)
Seattle at Oakland, 6:30 p.m. (ROOT)
Saturday, Sept. 1
U.S. Open, 8 a.m. (ESPN2)
Florida State at Oklahoma, 9 a.m. (FOX)
Texas at Maryland, 9 a.m. (FS1)
Mississippi at Texas Tech, 9 a.m. (ESPN)
Oregon State at Ohio State, 9 a.m. (ABC)
Washington at Auburn, 12:30 p.m. (ABC)
Austin Peay at Georgia, 12:30 p.m. (ESPN)
Tennessee vs. West Virginia, 12:30 p.m. (CBS)
North Carolina at California, 1 p.m. (FOX)
Cincinnati at UCLA, 3 p.m. (ESPN)
Michigan at Notre Dame, 3:30 p.m. (NBC)
U.S. Open, 4 p.m. (ESPN2)
Akron at Nebraska, 5 p.m. (FOX)
Alabama vs. Louisville, 5 p.m. (ABC)
Seattle at Oakland, 5:30 p.m. (ROOT)
UTSA at Arizona State, 7:30 p.m. (FS1)
BYU at Arizona, 7:45 p.m. (ESPN)

Sunday, Sept. 2

U.S. Open, 9 a.m. (ESPN)
NC Central at Prairie View, 9 a.m. (ESPN2)
Seattle at Oakland, 12:30 p.m. (ROOT)
LSU vs. Miami, 3:30 p.m. (ABC)
U.S. Open, 4 p.m. (ESPN2)

MAJOR LEAGUES

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Boston	91	42	.684	—
New York	84	48	.636	6½
Tampa Bay	70	62	.530	20½
Toronto	60	72	.455	30½
Baltimore	39	94	.293	52
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Cleveland	75	56	.573	—
Minnesota	61	70	.466	14
Detroit	53	79	.402	22½
Chicago	52	80	.394	23½
Kansas City	41	91	.311	34½
West Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Houston	81	51	.614	—
Oakland	80	53	.602	1½
Seattle	74	58	.561	7
Los Angeles	64	69	.481	17½
Texas	58	75	.436	23½
Tuesday's Games				
N.Y. Yankees	5	Chicago White Sox	4	
Baltimore	12	Toronto	5	
Boston	8	Miami	7	
Cleveland	8	Minnesota	1	
Atlanta	9	Tampa Bay	5	
L.A. Dodgers	8	Texas	4	
Oakland	4	Houston	3	

West Division

Kansas City 6, Detroit 2
Colorado 3, L.A. Angels 2
San Diego 2, Seattle 1

Today's Games

Oakland (Cahill 5-3) at Houston (Keuchel 10-10), 11:10 a.m.
Detroit (Fulmer 3-9) at Kansas City (Duffy 7-11), 11:15 a.m.
Seattle (Ramirez 1-2) at San Diego (Lucchesi 6-7), 12:40 p.m.
Miami (Richards 3-7) at Boston (Price 14-6), 3:35 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Lopez 4-9) at N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 7-4), 4:05 p.m.
Toronto (Borucki 3-3) at Baltimore (Cobb 4-15), 4:05 p.m.
Minnesota (Stewart 0-1) at Cleveland (Plutko 4-4), 4:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Castillo 3-2) at Atlanta (Newcomb 11-6), 4:35 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Wood 7-6) at Texas (Minor 10-6), 5:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

East Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Atlanta	74	57	.565	—
Philadelphia	70	62	.530	4½
Washington	67	66	.504	8
New York	58	73	.443	16
Miami	53	80	.398	22
Central Division				
W	L	Pct.	GB	
Chicago	77	53	.592	—
St. Louis	74	58	.561	4
Milwaukee	73	60	.549	5½
Pittsburgh	64	68	.485	14
Cincinnati	57	75	.432	21

Today's Games

Chicago Cubs 1, N.Y. Mets 1, 9½ innings, susp.
Washington 5, Philadelphia 4
Boston 8, Miami 7
Cincinnati 9, Milwaukee 7
Atlanta 9, Tampa Bay 5
L.A. Dodgers 8, Texas 4
St. Louis 5, Pittsburgh 2
Colorado 3, L.A. Angels 2
San Diego 2, Seattle 1
San Francisco 1, Arizona 0

Tuesday's Games

N.Y. Mets (deGrom 8-8) at Chicago Cubs (Harnels 9-9), 10 a.m.
N.Y. Mets (Vargas 4-8) at Chicago Cubs (Mills 0-6), 11:20 a.m.
Seattle (Ramirez 1-2) at San Diego (Lucchesi 6-7), 12:40 p.m.
Miami (Richards 3-7) at Boston (Price 14-6), 3:35 p.m.
Washington (Gonzalez 7-11) at Philadelphia (Arrieta 9-9), 4:05 p.m.
Milwaukee (Peralta 6-4) at Cincinnati (Harvey 6-7), 4:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Castillo 3-2) at Atlanta (Newcomb 11-6), 4:35 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Wood 7-6) at Texas (Minor 10-6), 5:05 p.m.
Pittsburgh (Williams 10-9) at St. Louis (Mikolas 13-3), 5:15 p.m.
Arizona (Godley 13-7) at San Francisco (Rodriguez 6-1), 7:15 p.m.

SEATTLE MARINERS BASEBALL

Rookie pitcher outduels King Felix in 2-1 win

By Bernie Wilson
AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO — Even after watching Nelson Cruz drive his 79th pitch over the center field fence to make it a one-run game with one out in the ninth, San Diego Padres rookie Jacob Nix hoped manager Andy Green would let him finish.

"I thought for sure he was going to leave me in there because of my pitch count," Nix said after coming within two outs of his first complete game in his fourth big league start, a 2-1 victory against the Seattle Mariners on Tuesday night. "I thought for sure I was going to be able to finish."

Green wasn't buying it.

"He'd done enough today. I didn't want to put him in a situation where he was walking off that mound in a tie situation or a losing situation," Green said.

Nix, backed by stellar defense by shortstop Freddy Galvis and 21-year-old second baseman Luis Urias, who was making his big league debut, had the low pitch count because he had the Mariners swinging early and putting the ball in play. The 22-year-old Nix allowed one run and eight hits, walked none and struck out none.

Travis Jankowski homered on Felix Hernandez's first pitch and Urias had a nice game for the Padres.

Nix (2-2) retired Jean Segura to open the ninth before Cruz homered to center, his 32nd. Kirby Yates came on to get the final two outs for his sixth save.

WASHINGTON STATE FOOTBALL

Cougars don't list starting QB

PULLMAN, Wash. (AP) — Washington State's depth chart for Saturday's season opener at Wyoming provides little clarity about who will start at quarterback.

The depth chart lists four quarterbacks, and indicates any of the four could start.

Coach Mike Leach said last week that he would name a starter whenever he felt like it, and perhaps not before game time.

The Cougars are seeking to replace four-year starter Luke Falk.

The four candidates are graduate transfer Gardner Minshew, who has by far the most experience and has been getting the most practice reps. Juniors Anthony Gordon and Trey Tinsley and freshman Cammon Cooper are in the mix, but none of them has thrown a pass in an FBS game. The Cougars are seeking a school-record fourth consecutive bowl game.

Federer wins first match

NEW YORK (AP) — Roger Federer sent something of a shock wave through the tennis world with what he thought was an obvious joke after improving to 18-0 in first-round matches at the U.S. Open.

"I'm happy I never stumbled at the first hurdle," Federer said during his on-court interview Tuesday night. "Almost time to retire — but not yet."

Some folks' reaction might best be summed up as: Wait. WHAT?!

So the 37-year-old Federer was asked at his news conference to clarify his comment after the 6-2, 6-2, 6-4 victory over 117th-ranked Yoshihito Nishioka of Japan in Arthur Ashe Stadium.

Why did Federer mention retirement?

Turned out it was completely harmless.

"That was meaning, like, 'I never lost a first-round match here at the Open. I won all my 18. You don't want that (loss) to happen next year.' I said, 'Maybe I could retire now, because I protect my 18 first-round wins here.' That's what I meant with it," he said. "It's a total joke, yes."

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