

# Sports

STANLEY CUP FINALS: GAME 6

## Bruins win, force deciding Game 7 for Stanley Cup

■ The back-and-forth series returns to Boston Wednesday night for the final game

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ST. LOUIS — Punch, counterpunch, Game 7.

Just when it looked like the Boston Bruins were down and out, they remembered they can throw their weight around, too. Boston showed it can play St. Louis’ physical style of hockey and then some, and the Stanley Cup Final is tied at 3-3 with Boston headed home for Game 7 on Wednesday night.

How these two bruising teams will sort that out is anyone's guess, but the Bruins seem to be all done being bullied by the Blues.

“We can play a skill game and a physical game,” goal-scorer Brad Marchand said. “It’s a big part of our game and allows us to get some momentum, create some opportunities, so we try to feed off that.”

In the wild pendulum swing this series has become, the Blues entered Game 6 with all the momentum. They had worn down the Bruins, solved their penalty-killing woes and shut down Boston’s talent.

This time, it was the Bruins who wore down the Blues to the point coach Bruce Cassidy wondered if St. Louis players were fatigued. Inspired by

Patrice Bergeron to not let this run end, the Bruins were better at keeping pucks alive and forcing mistakes and they didn’t bend to the Blues’ punishing cycle game.

“That’s where I think this series is tilted in their favor — when we’re not strong on the walls in our own end and they keep pucks alive, we get fatigued, we get worked down low and as a result things go their way,” Cassidy said. “We did a better job getting inside of that pinch before it happened. They’re big guys. If you don’t get position, you have no chance on their D to get it out. So that was the other thing we did better on the walls.”

Jazzed up in front of frenzied fans hoping to celebrate the franchise’s first championship, the Blues tried to flash more skill than size and physicality — the bread and butter of their game — and were met by a strong resistance from the big, bad Bruins. Boston benefited from referees Gord Dwyer and Chris Rooney letting both teams play without whistling every possible ticky-tack penalty.

Until things got out of hand late, much of Game 6 was played at 5-on-5, and the Bruins had the advantage. They also had goaltender Tuukka Rask at his best, stopping

chance after chance on the way to 28 saves.

“They played tight,” Blues forward Alex Steen said. “We got some zone time, but we’ve got to get more pucks to the net, a little bit more traffic and get one of those really dirty ones. It was a hard-fought game.”

Unlike much of the rest of the series, the Bruins actually were the aggressors and more than comfortable going hit for hit.

“That’s just a part of our game when we play our game the right,” Boston defenseman Charlie McAvoy said. “When we try to impose our culture, part of that is everybody can be physical and play that side of the game. I think that we definitely have better results when we do.”

It helped that the Blues’ discipline issues resurfaced again, and this time the Bruins cashed in and wrested away the momentum going home for Game 7. One key to Boston staving off elimination was getting the power play back on track, which it did with a 5-on-3 goal by Marchand that should give that unit confidence.

“Our power play, when we’re good and when we’re on and we capitalize on our opportunities, it allows us to

feel good about our game,” Marchand said.

Cassidy also should be feeling good after his questionable lineup decision turned out perfectly. He put Karlson Kuhlman in for his first action since April 30 because his skill better fit what he wanted than veteran grinder David Backes, and the rookie scored his first goal of the playoffs.

“I just like doing what I do best: getting up and down the ice and playing the 200-foot game,” Kuhlman said.

There will be more tactical adjustments moving forward because Cassidy and Blues coach Craig Berube have been trading moves in this chess match all series. The Blues will get key fourth-liner Ivan Barbashev back from a one-game suspension, and the Bruins might be able to bring back defenseman Matt Grzelcyk and forward Chris Wagner back from injuries.

Even if those players can’t return, this series is so even that it’s fitting it comes down to one more game.

“That’s why we’re going to seven games: You’ve got two good teams who have gone toe to toe here,” Cassidy said. “The whole hockey world loves a Game 7. It should be a great night in Boston and may the best team win.”

## Former Red Sox star David Ortiz survives gunshot

SANTO DOMINGO, Dominican Republic (AP) — Former Boston Red Sox slugger David Ortiz was hospitalized Monday following surgery for a gunshot wound after being ambushed by a man in a bar in his native Dominican Republic, authorities said.

Dominican National Police Director Ney Aldrin Bautista Almonte said Ortiz was at the Dial Bar and Lounge in Santo

Domingo around 8:50 p.m. Sunday when a gunman approached from behind and shot him at close range. Ortiz was taken to the Abel Gonzalez clinic, where he underwent surgery, and his condition was stable, Bautista said.

Ortiz’s father, Leo, speaking to reporters outside the clinic, said his son was out of danger and there wasn’t any collateral damage, meaning no damage to major or-

gans. He said he had no idea why someone would have shot at his son.

“He is out of surgery and stable; he is resting,” Leo Ortiz said. “Big Papi will be around for a long time.”

The Boston Red Sox, in a statement early Monday, said they have been notified by Ortiz’s family that he sustained a gunshot wound to his “lower back/abdominal region” and that he is recovering after surgery.

## SCOREBOARD

### TELEVISION

All Times PDT
<b>Monday, June 10</b>
World Cup, 9 a.m. (FS1)
World Cup, noon (FS1)
NBA Finals, Game 5, 6 p.m. (ABC)
<b>Tuesday, June 11</b>
World Cup, 6 a.m. (FS1)
World Cup, 9 a.m. (FS1)
World Cup, USA vs Thailand, noon (FOX)
Seattle at Minnesota, 6:30 p.m. (ROOT)
<b>Wednesday, June 12</b>
World Cup, 6 a.m. (FS1)
World Cup, 9 a.m. (FOX)
World Cup, noon (FOX)
Stanley Cup, 5 p.m. (NBC)
Seattle at Minnesota, 6:30 p.m. (ROOT)
<b>Thursday, June 13</b>
World Cup, 9 a.m. (FOX)
World Cup, noon (FOX)
NBA Finals, Game 6 (if needed), 6 p.m. (ABC)
Seattle at Minnesota, 6:30 p.m. (ROOT)
<b>Friday, June 14</b>
World Cup, 6 a.m. (FS1)
World Cup, 9 a.m. (FOX)
World Cup, noon (FOX)
Seattle at Oakland, 7:30 p.m. (ROOT)
<b>Saturday, June 15</b>
World Cup, 6 a.m. (FS1)
Seattle at Oakland, 7:30 p.m. (ROOT)
<b>Sunday, June 16</b>
World Cup, 6 a.m. (FS1)
World Cup: USA vs Chile, 9 a.m. (FOX)
WNBA: Seattle at Connecticut, 12:30 p.m. (ABC)
Chicago Cubs at LA Dodgers, 4 p.m. (ESPN)
NBA Finals, Game 7 (if needed), 5 p.m. (ABC)
Seattle at Oakland, 7:30 p.m. (ROOT)

### BRIDGE

Baker Ladies Golf Association
June 6
1. Carol Giovannetti. 2. Judy Karstens. 3. Amy Micka.
9-week winners
1. Martha Jane Cassidy. 2. Marlene Cross. 3. Judy Karstens. 4. Shannon Sullivan.

### LADIES GOLF

Baker Ladies Golf Association
June 6
<b>First flight</b> — Linda Taylor. <b>Second flight</b> — Kathy Hopkins. <b>Third flight</b> — Marianne Klinger. <b>Birdies</b> — Linda Taylor, Dana Endicott

### GOLF

Twilight League Men's Golf Standings			
First Half, Week 7			
	W	L	T
Barley Browns	5	1	26
Superior Towing	3.5	2.5	25.5
Outpost Electric	2.5	3.5	24
Four Seasons	3.5	2.5	20.5
Windsfield Doctor	3.5	2.5	20
Tri County Equipment	2.5	3.5	19.5
Blackler's Hackers	4	2	19
Davis Computer	1	5	18.5
Baker Dairies	2.5	3.5	18.5
Rosie's Bordello	2	4	18.5
Front Nine			
Low gross — Adam Crowell 38. Low net — Fred Myers, Greg Pointer 30.			
Back Nine			
Low gross — Tim Jaensch 36. Low net — Creg Talbot 29.			

### MAJOR LEAGUES

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
New York	40	24	.625	—
Tampa Bay	40	24	.625	—
Boston	34	32	.515	7
Toronto	23	42	.354	17½
Baltimore	20	45	.308	20½
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	43	21	.672	—
Cleveland	33	32	.508	10½
Chicago	31	33	.484	12
Detroit	24	38	.387	18
Kansas City	20	45	.308	23½
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Houston	45	22	.672	—
Texas	34	30	.531	9½
Oakland	33	33	.500	11½
Los Angeles	31	35	.470	13½
Seattle	28	41	.406	18
Saturday's Games				
Tampa Bay 9, Boston 2, 1st game				
Texas 10, Oakland 5, 1st game				
Chicago White Sox 2, Kansas City 0				
Arizona 6, Toronto 0				
Baltimore 4, Houston 1				
Cleveland 8, N.Y. Yankees 4				
Detroit 9, Minnesota 3				
Boston 5, Tampa Bay 1, 2nd game				
Texas 3, Oakland 1, 2nd game				
L.A. Angels 12, Seattle 3				
Sunday's Games				
Tampa Bay 6, Boston 1				
Arizona 8, Toronto 2				
Minnesota 12, Detroit 2				
N.Y. Yankees 7, Cleveland 6, 10 innings				
Houston 4, Baltimore 0				
Chicago White Sox 5, Kansas City 2				
Oakland 9, Texas 8				
Seattle 9, L.A. Angels 3				
Today's Games				
All Times PDT				
N.Y. Mets (Vargas 2-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 3-5), 4:05 p.m.				
Oakland (Anderson 0-0) at Tampa Bay (Morton 7-0), 4:10 p.m.				
Texas (Minor 5-4) at Boston (Sale 2-7), 7:10 p.m.				
Washington (Sanchez 1-6) at Chicago White Sox (Despaigne 0-0), 5:10 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 9-1) at L.A. Angels (Canning 2-2), 7:07 p.m.				
Tuesday's Games				
N.Y. Mets (Wheeler 5-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Paxton 3-2), 4:05 p.m.				
Toronto (Thornton 1-4) at Baltimore (Means 5-4), 4:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Castillo 6-1) at Cleveland (Bauer 4-6), 4:10 p.m.				
Oakland (Fiers 5-3) at Tampa Bay (TBD), 4:10 p.m.				
Texas (Jurado 3-2) at Boston (TBD), 4:10 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Nelson 0-1) at Houston (Peacock 5-3), 5:10 p.m.				
Seattle (Leake 5-6) at Minnesota (Perez 7-2), 5:10 p.m.				
Washington (Corbin 5-4) at Chicago White Sox (Banuelos 3-4), 5:10 p.m.				
Detroit (Turnbull 3-5) at Kansas City (Junis 4-6), 5:15 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers (Maeda 7-2) at L.A. Angels				

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NATIONAL LEAGUE				
East Division				
	W	L	Pct.	GB
Philadelphia	37	28	.569	—
Atlanta	36	29	.554	1
New York	32	33	.492	5
Washington	30	35	.462	7
Miami	23	40	.365	13
Central Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Chicago	37	27	.578	—
Milwaukee	38	28	.576	—
St. Louis	31	32	.492	5½
Pittsburgh	30	34	.469	7
Cincinnati	29	35	.453	8
West Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	45	21	.682	—
Colorado	33	31	.516	11
Arizona	34	32	.515	11
San Diego	33	33	.500	12
San Francisco	26	38	.406	18
Saturday's Games				
Arizona 6, Toronto 0				
Philadelphia 4, Cincinnati 1				
Atlanta 1, Miami 0				
Milwaukee 5, Pittsburgh 3				
Chicago Cubs 9, St. Louis 4				
L.A. Dodgers 7, San Francisco 2				
N.Y. Mets 5, Colorado 3				
Washington 4, San Diego 1				
Sunday's Games				
Cincinnati 4, Philadelphia 3				
Arizona 8, Toronto 2				
Atlanta 7, Miami 6, 12 innings				
N.Y. Mets 6, Colorado 1				
Milwaukee 5, Pittsburgh 2				
L.A. Dodgers 1, San Francisco 0				
Washington 5, San Diego 2				
Chicago Cubs 5, St. Louis 1				
Today's Games				
All Times PDT				
Arizona (Clarke 1-2) at Philadelphia (Eickhoff 3-3), 4:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (Vargas 2-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Tanaka 3-5), 4:05 p.m.				
St. Louis (Wacha 3-2) at Miami (Alcantara 3-5), 4:10 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Musgrove 4-6) at Atlanta (Gausman 2-5), 4:20 p.m.				
Washington (Sanchez 1-6) at Chicago White Sox (Despaigne 0-0), 5:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Darvish 2-3) at Colorado (Marquez 6-3), 5:40 p.m.				
L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 9-1) at L.A. Angels (Canning 2-2), 7:07 p.m.				
Tuesday's Games				
Arizona (Duplantier 1-0) at Philadelphia (Arrieta 5-5), 4:05 p.m.				
N.Y. Mets (Wheeler 5-3) at N.Y. Yankees (Paxton 3-2), 4:05 p.m.				
Cincinnati (Castillo 6-1) at Cleveland (Bauer 4-6), 4:10 p.m.				
St. Louis (Hudson 4-3) at Miami (Smith 3-4), 4:10 p.m.				
Pittsburgh (Archer 3-5) at Atlanta (Foltynewicz 1-5), 4:20 p.m.				
Milwaukee (Nelson 0-1) at Houston (Peacock 5-3), 5:10 p.m.				
Washington (Corbin 5-4) at Chicago White Sox (Banuelos 3-4), 5:10 p.m.				
Chicago Cubs (Quintana 4-5) at Colorado (TBD), 5:40 p.m.				
San Diego (Paddack 4-4) at San Francisco				

(Skeggs 4-6), 7:07 p.m.

(Beede 0-2), 6:45 p.m.  
L.A. Dodgers (Maeda 7-2) at L.A. Angels (Skeggs 4-6), 7:07 p.m.

### NBA PLAYOFFS

FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
All Times PDT
<b>Toronto 3, Golden State 1</b>
Thursday, May 30: Toronto 118, Golden State 109
Sunday, June 2: Golden State 109, Toronto 104
Wednesday, June 5: Toronto 123, Golden State 109
Friday, June 7: Toronto 105, Golden State 92
Monday, June 10: Golden State at Toronto, 6 p.m.
x-Thursday, June 13: Toronto at Golden State, 6 p.m.
x-Sunday, June 16: Golden State at Toronto, 5 p.m.

### STANLEY CUP FINALS

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
All Times PDT
<b>Boston 3, St. Louis 3</b>
Monday, May 27: Boston 4, St. Louis 2
Wednesday, May 29: St. Louis 3, Boston 2, OT
Saturday, June 1: Boston 7, St. Louis 2
Monday, June 3: St. Louis 4, Boston 2
Thursday, June 6: St. Louis 2, Boston 1
Sunday, June 9: Boston 5, St. Louis 1
Wednesday, June 12: St. Louis at Boston, 5 p.m.

FRENCH OPEN TENNIS MEN’S FINAL

## Nadal makes it an even dozen at Roland Garros

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PARIS — For a few, fleeting moments Sunday, Rafael Nadal found his French Open supremacy seemingly threatened by Dominic Thiem, a younger, talented opponent challenging him in the final for the second consecutive year.

A poor game from Nadal allowed Thiem to break him and even things at a set apiece. That develop-ment brought fans to their feet in Court Philippe Chatrier, roaring and clapping and, above all, won-dering: Was this, now, a real contest? Could Thiem push Nadal more? Could Thiem make this surge last? Would Nadal falter?

That the questions arose at all was significant. The answers arrived swiftly. Nadal reasserted him-self, as he usually does at Roland Garros, by grab-bing 16 of the next 17 points and 12 of the remaining 14 games, pulling away to beat Thiem 6-3, 5-7, 6-1, 6-1 for his record-extending 12th championship at the French Open.

“He stepped on me,” Thiem said. “The numbers are crazy. He won it 12 times.”

No one in tennis ever has won any major tour-nament that frequently. Then again, no one ever has been as suited for success on any of the sport’s surfaces as this 33-year-old Spaniard is on red clay: Nadal is 93-2 for his career at Roland Garros, win-ning four in a row from 2005-08, five in a row from 2010-14, and now three in a row.

“I can’t explain my emotions,” said the No. 2-seeded Nadal, who dropped to his back after the final point, getting that rust-colored dirt all over his neon yellow shirt, then wiped away tears during the trophy ceremony.

Looking at the bigger picture, he is now up to 18 Grand Slam trophies, moving within two of Roger Federer’s men’s record of 20.

Nadal, however, did not want to entertain any discussion of a pursuit of Federer.

“I am not very worried about this stuff,” Nadal said. “You can’t be frustrated all the time because the neighbor has a bigger house than you or a bigger TV or better garden.”

Thiem, a 25-year-old Austrian who was seeded No. 4 and upset No. 1 Novak Djokovic in a draining, rain-interrupted semifinal played over two days, was eyeing his first major title in this rematch of the 2018 final in Paris. But again, he couldn’t solve Nadal.

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