TUESDAY

BASEBALL	Time	TV
MLB Preseason, Milwaukee Brewers at Texas Rangers	11 a.m.	MLB
College Baseball, Texas at Texas A&M	4 p.m.	ESPNU
MLB Preseason, L.A. Angels at L.A. Dodgers	6 p.m.	MLB
BASKETBALL		
NCAA Women's Tournament, Regional Final:		
Texas vs South Carolina	4 p.m.	ESPN
NCAA Tournament, Regional Final: USC vs. Gonzaga	4 p.m.	TBS
NCAA Women's Tournament, Regional Final:		
Louisville vs Stanford	6 p.m.	ESPN
NCAA Tournament, Regional Final: UCLA vs Michigan	6:45 p.m.	TBS
HOCKEY		
NHL, Carolina Hurricanes at Chicago Blackhawks	4:30 p.m.	NBCSN
CONCACAF Olympic Qualifying Championship, Final:	6 p.m.	FS1
TENNIS		
ATP/WTA Tennis, Miami Open	8 a.m.	TENNIS

BASKETBALL	Time	TV
NBA, Portland Trail Blazers at Detroit Pistons	4 p.m.	NBCSNW
NBA, Dallas Mavericks at Boston Celtics	4:30 p.m	. ESPN
NBA, Milwaukee Bucks at Los Angeles Lakers	7:05 p.m	. ESPN
GOLF		
Women's Golf, ANA Inspiration Charity Match	4 p.m.	GOLF
HOCKEY		
NHL, Philadelphia Flyers at Buffalo Sabres	4:30 p.m	. NBCSN
NHL, Los Angeles Kings at Vegas Golden Knights	7 p.m.	NBCSN
SOCCER		
UEFA U-21 Euro Championship, Croatia vs England	8:50 a.m	. ESPNU
FIFA World Cup 2022 Qualifying, England vs Poland	11:30 a.r	n. ESPN2
Men's College, Ohio State at Michigan	noon	BIG10
Men's College, Penn State at Maryland	2 p.m.	BIG10
TENNIS		
ATP/WTA Tennis, Miami Open	10 a.m.	TENNIS
WATER SPORTS		
World Surf League, Championship Tour:		
Newcastle Cup - Day 1	2 p.m.	FS2
Listings are the most accurate available.		

SPORTS BRIEFING

BASKETBALL

NBA picks July 29 as date for this season's draft — The NBA has scheduled this year's draft for July 29, though it has yet to announce the location for the event. Other key dates going into the draft were also revealed Monday: The draft combine is scheduled for June 21 through June 27, the draft lottery will be held June 22 and July 19 is the deadline for early-entry candidates to withdraw from the draft. Early-entry candidates must apply for the draft by May 30, the NBA said. The locations for the draft combine and lottery are also still undecided. In recent years prior to the pandemic, those events took place in Chicago and the lottery preceded a game in either the Eastern or Western conference finals. This season's NBA Finals, if they go the full seven games, are scheduled to end July 22.

BASEBALL

MLB to relax virus protocols when 85% on field vac-

cinated — Card games, car pools and eating at restaurants may be back in the major leagues later this season. Trips to church and sponsor events may return, too. Mask use would be dropped from dugouts and bullpens, and electronic tracing devices would be eliminated when 85% of major league players and primary field staff are vaccinated. Communal ubhouse video would return before and after games. Pool tables would be restored, along with team saunas. A threepage memorandum from Major League Baseball and the players' association sent to players and staff on Monday and obtained by The Associated Press also stated "all players and staff are strongly encouraged to receive one of the approved COVID-19 vaccines when eligible." Not many players have been vaccinated, according to MLB, but it expects the pace to increase after teams return to their home cities from spring training. Opening day is Thursday.

MOTORSPORTS

Logano takes the checkered flag in a haze of Bristol

dirt — Somewhere under the thick red haze floating over Bristol Motor Speedway, Joey Logano took the checkered flag for NASCAR's first Cup Series race at a dirt track in 50 years. He couldn't see much — visibility was next to nothing during this Monday dust storm — but Logano clung to the familiar bottom lane around the bullring to collect the checkered flag on this NASCAR experiment. Logano got a jump on Denny Hamlin on the overtime restart to earn his third career victory at Bristol. But this was not the Bristol of old, the track had been covered with 2,300 truckloads of red Tennessee clay so that NASCAR could add a dirt track to the Cup schedule for the first time since 1970. Logano became the seventh race winner through seven races this season and gave Team Penske backto-back victories. Ryan Blaney won in a Penske Ford last week.

SOCCER

Olympic failures show structural issues for US Soccer, **MLS** — The Catch-22 for U.S. men's soccer in the Olympics is this: The better a player gets, the less likely he is to play. And compounding the difficulty is a structural issue, according to American under-24 coach Jason Kreis: Major League Soccer does not adhere to the international calendar of a season that runs from August to May, leaving most of his players trying to regain fitness while facing opponents in midseason form. The Americans failed to qualify for their third straight Olympics when they lost 2-1 to Honduras on Sunday. For the second time in three Olympic cycles, a goalkeeping blunder helped sink the U.S. when David Ochoa gifted the second goal, similar to goalkeeper Sean Johnson fumbling a shot against El Salvador that cost the Americans a trip to the 2012 London Games. In addition, the U.S. streak of seven World Cup appearances ended in 2018.

-Bulletin wire reports



MEGABUCKS

The numbers drawn Monday night are: (12)(18)(24)(26)(28)(45)

The estimated jackpot is now \$3.8 million.

As listed at OregonLottery.org and individual lottery websites

SCOREBOARD

GB

15 17 19

GB

61/2

6½ 10

10½ 11½ 12½ 13 13½

15½ 21½ 24

ON DECK

Prep Sports

TUESDAY Volleyball: Ridgeview at Hood River Valley, 6:30 p.m.; Pendleton at Crook County, 6:30 p.m.; Redmond at The Dalles, 6:30 p.m.; Gladstone at Madras, 6 p.m.; Pleasant Hill at La Pine, 6 p.m.; Hosanna-Triad at Gilchrist, 4 p.m. Boys soccer: Crook County at Ridgeview, 6 p.m.; Sisters at Cascade, 6 p.m.; Willamette Valley Christian at Central Christian/Trinity Lutheran, 4 p.m.

Girls soccer: Bend at Mountain View, 4 p.m.; Redmond at

The Dalles, 4:30 p.m.; Cascade at Sisters, 6 p.m. Cross-Country: Madras at Estacada.

WEDNESDAY **Volleyball:** Bend at Mountain View, 6:30 p.m.; Sisters at Sweet Home, 6:30 p.m.; Santiam at Culver, 4:30 p.m.; Rogue Valley Adventist at Trinity Lutheran, 4 p.m.; Rogue Trinity Lutheran at Gilchrist, 7 p.m. Boys soccer: Mountain View at Summit, 6 p.m.; Madras

at Gladstone, 6:30 p.m.

Girls soccer: Ridgeview at Crook County, 4:30 p.m.; Gladstone at Madras, 4 p.m.

Cross-country: Crook County at Hood River Valley; Redmond at The Dalles.

THURSDAY Football: Culver at Regis, 5 p.m.

Volleyball: Crook County at Ridgeview, 6:30 p.m.; Madras at Gladstone, 6 p.m. Boys soccer: Ridgeview at Pendleton, 4:30 p.m.; New-

port at Sisters, 6 p.m. **Girls soccer:** Summit at Bend, 4 p.m.; Pendleton at Ridgeview, 4:30 p.m.; Crook County at Redmond, 4 p.m.; Sisters at Newport, 4 p.m. FRIDAY

Football: Bend at Summit, 7 p.m.; Mountain View at Ridgeview, 7 p.m.; Crook County at Estacada, 7 p.m.; Gladstone at Madras, 7 p.m; La Píne at Sisters, 7 p.m. Volleyball: Mountain View at Summit, 6:30 p.m. Boys soccer: Redmond at Crook County, 4:30 p.m.

SATURDAY

Football: Redmond at La Salle Prep, 3 p.m.; North Lake/ Paisley at Gilchrist, noon. Volleyball: Redmond vs. Bend (at Ridgeview), 11 a.m.; Bend at Ridgeview, 12:30 p.m.; Redmond at Ridgeview, 6:30 p.m.; The Dalles at Crook County, TBD; La Pine at Creswell, 1 p.m.; North Bend vs. La Pine (at Creswell), 2:45 p.m.; Crane at Central Christian, 10 a.m.; St. Paul at

Central Christian, 2 p.m.

Boys soccer: Bend at Summit, 1 p.m.; Pendleton at Crook County, noon: Damascus Christian at Central Christian Trinity Lutheran, 1 p.m. **Girls soccer:** Crook County at Pendleton, noon; La Pine

at Pleasant Hill, 1 p.m.

Cross-country: Central Oregon XC Classic, at Bend Pine Nursery Park: Warner Pacific XC Classic

PREP SPORTS

Volleyball Monday's games

Sisters at Stayton, late Salem Academy at Culver, late

Boys Soccer

Monday's game Gladstone 1, Madras 1

Girls Soccer Monday's game Madras at Gladstone, late

BASKETBALL

	N	BA							
	EASTERN CONFERENCE								
	W	L	Pct						
Phila.	32	14	.696						
Brooklyn	32	15	.681						
Milwaukee	29	16	.644						
Charlotte	23	22	.511						
New York	24	23	.511						
Atlanta	23	23	.500						
Boston	23	24	.489						
Miami	23	24	.489						
Indiana	21	24	.467						
Chicago	19	25	.432						
Toronto	18	29	.383						
Washington	17	28	.378						
Cleveland	17	29	.370						
Orlando	15	31	.326						
Detroit	13	33	.283						
١ ١	WESTERN CONFERENCE								
	W	L	Pct						
Utah	34	11	.756						
Phoenix	31	14	.689						
L.A. Clippers	31	16	.660						
L.A. Lakers	30	17	.638						
Denver	28	18	.609						
Portland	28	18	.609						
Dallas	24	21	.533						
San Antonio	23	21	.523						
Memphis	22	22	.500						
Golden State	22	24	.478						
Sacramonto	22	25	160						

Minnesota Monday's Games Washington 132, Indiana 124 Brooklyn 112, Minnesota 107 Miami 98, New York 88 New Orleans 115, Boston 109 Dallas 127, Oklahoma City 106 Memphis 120, Houston 110 Detroit 118, Toronto 104 Sacramento 132, San Antonio 115 Cleveland at Utah, late

Sacramento

New Orleans

Oklahoma City

Chicago at Golden State, late Milwaukee at L.A. Clippers, late Tuesday's Games Charlotte at Washington, 4 p.m. Phila. at Denver, 6 p.m. Atlanta at Phoenix, 7 p.m Orlando at L.A. Clippers, 7 p.m.

> Men's College NCAA Tournament ELITE EIGHT

All Games at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis

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Monday's Games MIDWEŚT REGION Houston 67, Oregon St. 61

SOUTH REGION Tuesday's Games WEST REGION

Sourthern Cal vs. Gonzaga, 4:15 p.m. (TBS) **EAST REGION** UCLA vs Michigan, 6:57 p.m. (TBS)

Alatishe 4-9 0-2 8, Silva 2-2 0-0 4, Lucas 3-7 0-0 8, Reichle 0-1 3-3 3, Thompson 3-12 5-8 11, Hunt 3-5 0-0 7, An-

18. Jarreau 4-13 0-0 10. Sasser 5-19 5-6 20. White 3-4 2-3 8, Mark 0-2 0-0 0, Gresham 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 20-62

gon St. 14 (Thompson 6), Houston 17 (Jarreau 8), Total Fouls—Oregon St. 20, Houston 12.

Women's College NCAA Tournament ELITE EIGHT

UConn 69,. Baylor 67 MERCADO REGION Arizona 66, Indiana 53

Tuesday's games HEMISFAIR REGION ALAMO REGION Stanford vs. Louisville, 6 p.m. (ESPN)

NHL								
East	GP	w	L	ОТ	Pts	GF	GA	
Washington	34	23	7	4	50	119	99	
N.Y. Islanders	36	22	10	4	48	106	84	
Pittsburgh	36	23	11	2	48	117	94	
Boston	31	17	9	5	39	83	73	
Philadelphia	34	17	13	4	38	106	123	
N.Y. Rangers	34	15	15	4	34	107	92	
New Jersey	33	13	16	4	30	79	101	
Buffalo	34	6	23	5	17	71	122	
Central	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Tampa Bay	34	24	8	2	50	123	82	
Carolina	33	23	7	3	49	112	84	
Florida	35	22	9	4	48	115	98	
Nashville	36	18	17	1	37	92	107	
Chicago	36	16	15	5	37	104	114	
Columbus	36	13	15	8	34	91	117	
Dallas	32	11	12	9	31	89	88	
Detroit	36	12	20	4	28	79	115	
West	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Vegas	32	23	8	1	47	104	74	
Colorado	33	21	8	4	46	113	75	
Minnesota	32	21	10	1	43	94	78	
St. Louis	35	16	13	6	38	100	113	
Arizona	35	16	14	5	37	92	103	
Los Angeles	32	13	13	6	32	91	90	
San Jose	33	13	16	4	30	91	115	
Anaheim	36	11	19	6	28	81	118	

Monday's Box Score

No. 6 Houston 67, Oregon St. 61 OREGON ST. (20-13)

dela 2-3 0-2 4, Calloo 4-7 3-5 13, Silver 1-1 0-0 3, Tucker 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 22-47 11-20 61. HOUSTON (28-3) Chaney 2-2 1-3 5, Gorham 1-6 4-8 6, Grimes 5-15 4-4

Halftime—Houston 34-17. 3-Point Goals—Orego St. 6-16 (Calloo 2-4, Lucas 2-5, Silver 1-1, Hunt 1-3, Reichle 0-1, Thompson 0-2), Houston 11-32 (Sasser 5-13, Grimes 4-10, Jarreau 2-6, Gorham 0-1, Mark 0-2). Fouled Out—Alatishe. Rebounds—Oregon St. 27 (Thompson 7), Houston 38 (Gorham 10). Assists—Ore-

Monday's games RIVER WALK REGION

South Carolina vs. Texas, 4 p.m. (ESPN

1	North	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	G
	Toronto	35	22	10	3	47	116	9
	Edmonton	36	22	13	1	45	122	10
	Winnipeg	35	21	12	2	44	114	9
	Montreal	31	14	8	9	37	100	8
	Calgary	36	16	17	3	35	95	10
	Vancouver	37	16	18	3	35	100	12
	Ottawa	36	12	20	4	28	94	13
	NOTE: Two p	oints f	for a	win,	one p	oint fo	or ove	rtim
	loss. The top f	our tea	ams ir	n each	n divis	ion wi	ll quali	fy fo

playoffs under this season's temporary realignment Monday's Games Edmonton 3, Toronto 2, OT Pittsburgh 2, N.Y. Islanders 1 Philadelphia 4, Buffalo 3, OT Anaheim at Colorado, late

Los Angeles at Vegas, late Winnipeg at Calgary, late Minnesota at San Jose, late Tuesday's Games Columbus at Tampa Bay, 4 p.m. Detroit at Florida, 4 p.m. Edmonton at Montreal, 4 p.m. New Jersey at Boston, 4 p.m. Washington at N.Y. Rangers, 4 p.m.

Carolina at Chicago, 4:30 p.m Dallas at Nashville, 5 p.m.

DEALS

Monday's Transactions

BASEBALL

MLB — American Lead MINNESOTA TWINS — Optioned OF Brent Rooker to al-ternate training site. Reassigned LHP Brandon Waddell and RHP Derek Law to minor league camp. Placed RHP

NEW YORK YANKEES — Agreed to terms with C Robin son Chirinos and INF Derek Dietrich on minor league contracts. Released RHP Jhoulys Chacin from minor league contract

league contract.

MLB — National League

CINCINNATI REDS — Selected the contract of RHP Cam
Bedrosian and OF Tyler Naquin from Louisville. Placed
RHP Brandon Bailey on IR.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Optioned RHP Geoff Hartlieb
to Indianapolis (Triple-A Midwest). Reassigned OF Brian
Goodwin, INF/OF Wilmer Difo and RHP Steven Wright.
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Reassigned INF Jake Noll,
RHPS Dakotta Bacus and Chase De Jong and I HP Chasen

RHPs Dakota Bacus and Chase De Jong and LHP Chasen Shreve to alternate training site.

BASKETBALL

National Basketball Association SAN ANTONIO SPURS — Signed C Gorgui Dieng. FOOTBALL

National Football League ARIZONA CARDINALS — Agreed to terms with 5 Shawn Williams and 5 Chris Banjo to one-year contracts. CINCINNATI BENGALS — Signed 5 Ricardo Allen to a one CLEYELAND BROWNS — Re-signed CB Brian Allen. INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed T Julien Davenport and resigned C least Must resigned C best What resigned C b re-signed C Joey Hunt.
MINNESOTA VIKINGS — Agreed to terms with CB Mack-

ensie alexander and S Xavier Woods, pending passing PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Re-signed P Jordan Berry to

a one-year contract.
SAN FRANCISCO 49ERS — Signed LB Nathan Gerry to a one-year contract.

COLLEGE
UNIVERSITY OF TENNESSEE — Named Alicia Longworth
and Brady Hart senior associate athletic directors.
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS RIO GRANDE VALLEY — Named Matt Figger men's basketball head coach

Beavs

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OSU came up short of the school's third Final Four berth, the last coming in 1963. This was the Beavers' first Elite Eight appearance since 1982, when Oregon State lost to Georgetown 69-45 in the West Regional final.

The Beavers won 20 games this season for the first time during coach Wayne Tinkle's seven-year tenure. The conference title was the first in school history.

Oregon State took a long, winding path to Monday's re gional final.

The Beavers were on the outside looking in at the NCAAs for the entire regular season. But Oregon State caught fire during the postseason, winning the Pac-12's automatic NCAA Tournament berth by claiming the school's first-ever conference tournament title. Then, as the 12seed, the Beavers tore through the Midwest bracket, beating Tennessee, Oklahoma State and Loyola of Chicago by a collective margin of 31 points

to land in the Elite Eight. As was the case during Saturday's regional semifinal against Loyola, Oregon State's offense stumbled early. The Beavers had five turnovers in the first seven minutes. OSU had only six points during the first 10 minutes.



Oregon State center Roman Silva fights for a rebound with three Houston players on Monday in Indianapolis. Houston had a 41-29 rebounding edge.

Big Picture

Picked to finish last in the Pac-12, the Beavers beat five AP Top 25 teams, the most since their 1975-76 team won the same number. They won their first game in the Big Dance since 1982, tied the 1963 Final Four team for the most tourney wins in school history with three, and matched Missouri in 2002 as the worst-seeded team to reach the Elite Eight.

— Associated Press

Meanwhile, Houston was cooking from the perimeter. Led by Sasser, the Cougars hit five threes during the first 16 minutes to take a 28-17 lead. OSU found some rhythm at the offensive end, as Maurice Calloo and Tariq Silver hit three-pointers. But the Beavers couldn't stop the Cougars, and were merely trading points.

Houston closed out the half on a 9-0 run for a 34-17 halftime lead. The Cougars shot

only 35 percent during the first half, but held OSU scoreless during the final 4:48. The Beavers had only seven first-half field goals and made 1 of 6 free throws.

Oregon State wasn't without hope, though, as the Beavers have won five times this season after trailing by double figures.

Oregon State had a chance to strike some doubt in Houston. The Beavers started the second half on a 7-2 run. But the Cougars pounded the boards, and twice hit three-pointers after multiple offensive rebounds to keep a healthy 42-27 lead and 14:54 remaining. Eight minutes into the sec-

ond half, OSU scored more points than it had during the entire first half. Yet the Beavers were only able to trim four points off the deficit as Houston continued to make threes.

Trailing 48-33, Oregon State finally started getting some stops as it changed defenses to a 1-3-1 zone. The Beavers inched closer, getting the deficit down to 10 when Calloo hit minutes left.

Oregon State continued to surge, with Houston in foul trouble. The Beavers went on a 10-0 run, capped on a putback by Roman Silva, to cut the Houston lead to 52-48 and 6:15 remaining.

Following a three-pointer from Houston's Kiyron Powell, Oregon State got to within 55-52 on baskets by Hunt and Alatishe.

Oregon State pulled even at 55 on a three-pointer by Hunt with 3:46 left. But the Cougars responded with their next possession, when Grimes knocked down a three to give Houston

the lead. The magic came to an end down the stretch. The Beavers were unable to counter Grimes' go-ahead basket, and Houston's defense put away the game.

NFL

Continued from A6

With the preseason reduced, plans basically call for a bye week after the final August games and before the season begins in the second week of September. Also coming is a reduction in such offseason events as minicamps, organized team activities and pre-

season work. 'There will be automatic changes to the offseason and in-season workout schedules as a result," said George Atallah, the NFL Players Association spokesman.

Just how expansive those changes will be is uncertain. By early April, clubs with new coaches — this year, the Jaguars, Texans, Jets, Chargers, Eagles, Lions, Falcons — normally are meeting with players before the entire league begins OTAs. All of that occurred re-

motely until training camp last year.

"I'm not that concerned about it, honestly," new Lions coach Dan Campbell said. "If there was a concern, it would be strength and conditioning, that part of it, and your guys working together a little bit. But if that's the case, you give them a plan and you keep tabs on them and make sure they're staying on top of what they need to do.

"But listen, we're not going to use that as an excuse for us. If we can't start until training camp, then you know what, we'll be ready to go and we'll hit the ground running and we'll get what we need to get out of it and adapt as fast as

League and union research has revealed that the games with the most injuries are in the preseason. Dropping one exhibition, the NFL believes,

removes the most vulnerable game for players and replaces it with a week of regular-season practices and a game.

The 17th game will be interconference, with specific divisions matching up first-place finishers in 2020 on down to fourth-place clubs. In 2022, the league hopes to add international games to that format.

Another major offshoot of playing 17 games will be moving the Super Bowl back one week, in this case from Feb. 6 in Los Angeles to Feb. 13. That would place the title game in the middle of the Winter Olympics in Beijing. Coincidentally — or maybe not to the network — NBC has both.

There will be no discussions on rules changes at these meetings. Those will occur in mid-April, when the competition committee presents any recommendations.

Also on this week's agenda:

 An in-depth rundown of the media rights agreements that run through 2033, including placing Thursday night games on Amazon's streaming service.

A review of 2020 COVID-19 protocols and what the league and union learned. Much of the basis of future protocols will concern vaccines and the data players and coaches need to make informed decisions. It's possible that players and coaches who are vaccinated will be given more freedom from protocols.

 Specifics regarding plans for next month's draft in Cleveland. The league said this draft will approach a normal one, albeit with health and safety protocols in place and limited participation by prospects.

 Updates on health and safety developments, including equipment such as helmets, pads and cleats.