FRIDAY

MOTOR SPORTS	Time	TV
Formula 1, Styrian Grand Prix practice	5:55 a.m.	ESPNU
ARCA, Pocono	3 p.m.	FS1
Formula 1, Styrian Grand Prix practice GOLF	2:55 a.m. (Sat)	ESPN2
Women's PGA Championship	8 a.m.	Golf
PGA Tour, Travelers Championship	noon	Golf
European Tour, BMW International Open	4:30 a.m. (Sat)	Golf
HORSE RACING		
America's Day at the Races	9:30 a.m.	FS2
BASEBALL		
College World Series, Vanderbilt vs. NC State	11 a.m.	ESPN2
College World Series, TBD vs. Mississippi St.	4 p.m.	ESPN
MLB, regional coverage	4 p.m.	MLB
MLB, Seattle at Chicago White Sox	5 p.m.	Root
OLYMPICS		
U.S. Olympic Trials, Track and Field	2 p.m.	NBCSN
HOCKEY		
NHL playoffs, N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay SOCCER	5 p.m.	NBCSN
MLS, Orlando City at Inter Miami	5 p.m.	FS1
BASKETBALL		
NBA playoffs, Atlanta at Milwaukee	5:30 p.m.	TNT
MIXED MARTIAL ARTS		
Bellator 261, Johnson vs. Moldavsky	6 p.m.	Sho
Professional Fighters League	7 p.m.	ESPN2
FOOTBALL		
AFL Premiership, N. Melbourne vs. Gold Coast Suns	8:30 p.m.	FS2
AFL Premiership, Port Adelaide vs. Sydney CYCLING	11:30 p.m.	FS2
Tour de France, Stage 1	3:30 a.m. (Sat)	NBCSN
SATURDAY		

MOTOR SPORTS		
Formula 1, Styrian Grand Prix qualifying	5:55 a.m.	ESPN2
NASCAR Truck Series, Pocono	9 a.m.	FS1
NHRA, Nationals qualifying	11 a.m.	FS1
NASCAR Cup Series, Pocono	noon	NBCSN
SRX Series, Eldora	5 p.m.	CBS
SOCCER		
UEFA European Championship, Wales vs. Denmark	8:30 a.m.	ESPN
UEFA European Championship, Italy vs. Austria	11:30 a.m.	ABC
MLS, Los Angeles FC at Sporting Kansas City	2:30 p.m.	ESPN
MLS, Minnesota United at Portland	8 p.m.	Root
HORSE RACING		
America's Day at the Races	9:30 a.m.	FS2
BASKETBALL		
WNBA, Washington at Dallas	10 a.m.	CBS
NBA playoffs, Phoenix at L.A. Clippers	6 p.m.	ESPN
GOLF		
Women's PGA Championship	10 a.m.	NBC
PGA Tour, Travelers Championship	10 a.m.	Golf
PGA Tour, Travelers Championship	noon	CBS
$PGA\ Tour\ Champions, Senior\ Players\ Championship$	noon	Golf
European Tour, BMW International Open	4:30 a.m. (Sun)	Golf
BASEBALL		
College World Series, Game 13 (if nec.)	11 a.m.	ESPN
MLB, Cleveland at Minnesota	11 a.m.	MLB
MLB, Seattle at Chicago White Sox	11 a.m.	Root
MLB, Kansas City at Texas	1 p.m.	FS1
MLB, Chicago Cubs at L.A. Dodgers	4 p.m.	FOX
College World Series, Game 14 (if nec.)	4 p.m.	ESPN2
OLYMPICS		
U.S. Olympic Trials, Men's Gymnastics	1 p.m.	NBC
U.S. Olympic Trials, Track and Field	6 p.m.	NBC

SPORTS BRIEFING

NHL playoffs, Montreal at Vegas (if nec.)

Listings are the most accurate available.

GOLF

HOCKEY

CYCLING

Tour de France, Stage 2

Lizette Salas grabs 1st round Women's PGA Champi**onship lead** — Lizette Salas was in her happy place Thursday, and not just because she kept bogeys off her card at tough

Atlanta Athletic Club and posted a 5-under 67 for a one-shot lead in the Women's PGA Championship. Her game is rounding into form as the Solheim Cup approaches. But the broad smile went well beyond golf. The COVID-19 pandemic took its toll on the 31-year-old Californian, dulling her usual spark and creating anxiety that she initially mistook for nerves. "I really didn't like myself in 2020, and I think with the whole COVID and not being able to work and have golf as my outlet, that really hit hard," Salas said. She led by one shot over Charley Hull of England, who had a 68. Jessica Korda and former U.S. Women's Open champion Jeongeun Lee6 were in a group at 69. Nelly Korda, who last week became the first two-time winner on this LPGA Tour season of parity, was at 70 along with a trio of major champions, including ANA Inspiration winner Patty Tavatanakit, who started with three birdies in five holes and closed with a pair of birdies.

BASKETBALL

Pacers hire former Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle —

When Kevin Pritchard hired a new coach in October, he took a calculated risk. This time, the Indiana Pacers president of basketball operations went for the known commodity. Pritchard hired longtime Dallas Mavericks coach Rick Carlisle on Thursday, reuniting the 61-year-old with the team that helped relaunch his head coaching career almost two decades ago. Carlisle becomes the third Pacers coach in less than 12 months. Nate McMillan was fired in August following his fourth straight first-round playoff exit, just weeks after signing a contract extension. His replacement, Nate Bjorkgren, lasted one tumultuous season in his first NBA head coaching gig.

FOOTBALL

Beavers land top center recruit Dylan Lopez for 2022

— The Oregon State Beavers football program loaded up the month of June with more than two dozen official visitors, hoping to hit the ground running after the NCAA's 15-month-long emergency dead period in response to COVID-19. The Beavers landed a big commitment Thursday, as ESPN four-star prospect Dylan Lopez, the nation's No. 2 center, announced his commitment to Oregon State over offers from multiple Power 5 conference programs. In the end, Lopez's decision boiled down to two schools, and he ultimately chose Oregon State over Cal.

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FRIDAY		
Boys basketball: McNary at Bend, 2 p.m.		
Wrestling: Class 6A state meet at Newberg, TBD.		
SATURDAY		
Boys basketball: South Salem at Summit, noon.		
Wrestling: Class 3A state meet at Redmond, TBD;		
Class 2A/1A state meet at Central Linn, TBD.		
Swimming: Bend, Mountain View at Bend City		

PREPS

Boys basketball

Meet 4, Juniper Swim & Fitness Center, TBD

Wednesday's Late Scores Redmond 58, Hood River Valley 49 Crook County 59, Ridgeview 47 Thursday's Scores McNary at Mountain View, late

Girls basketball Wednesday's Scores Ridgeview 68, Redmond 24

South Wasco County 60, Trinity Lutheran 58

Thursday's Scores

BASKETBALL

NBA playoffs
CONFERENCE FINALS
(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)
Eastern Conference
Atlanta 1, Milwaukee 0
iday: Atlanta at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m.
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Tuesday: Milwaukee at Atlanta, 5:30 p.m. x-Thursday, July 1: Atlanta at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m. x-Saturday, July 3: Milwaukee at Atlanta, 5:30 p.m. x-Monday, July 5: Atlanta at Milwaukee, 5:30 p.m. Western Conference

Phoenix 2, L.A. Clippers 0
Thursday: Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, late Saturday: Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 6 p.m. x-Monday: L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 6 p.m. x-Wednesday: Phoenix at L.A. Clippers, 6 p.m x-Friday, July 2: L.A. Clippers at Phoenix, 6 p.m.

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	Las Vegas	10	3	.769	1		
	Dallas	7	8	.467	5		
	Phoenix	6	7	.462	1		
- 1	Minnesota	6	7	.462	5		
-	Los Angeles	5	7	.417	51/2		
	Thursday's Games						
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Chicago 91, New York 68 Dallas 89, Indiana 64 Washington at Los Angeles, late Friday's Games Las Vegas at Minnesota, 5 p.m.

BASEBALL

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Tampa Bay	45	31	.592	_
Boston	44	31	.587	1/2
New York	40	34	.541	4
Toronto	38	35	.521	51/2
Baltimore	23	52	.307	211/2

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Los Angeles 38 Texas 27 48 Thursday's Games N.Y. Yankees 8, Kansas City 1 Oakland 5, Texas 1 Toronto 9, Baltimore 0 Tampa Bay 1, Boston 0

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Oakland

Seattle

Cleveland at Minnesota, late Friday's Games Baltimore (Harvey 3-9) at Toronto (Manoah 1-0), 4:07 p.m. Houston (Valdez 4-0) at Detroit (Peralta 0-1), 4:10 p.m.

Houston at Detroit, late

L.A. Angels (Canning 5-4) at Tampa Bay (Fleming 6-4) N Y Yankees (Germán 4-4) at Boston (Pérez 5-4), 4:10 p.m. Kansas City (Minor 6-4) at Texas (Dunning 2-6), 5:05 p.m. Cleveland (Quantrill 0-2) at Minnesota (Dobnak 1-6),

5:10 p.m. Seattle (Kikuchi 4-3) at Chicago White Sox (Rodón 6-2), 5:10 p.m.

Oakland (Manaea 6-3) at San Francisco (Cueto 5-3), 6:45 p.m.

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Philadelphia	34	37	.479	5
Miami	31	42	.425	9
	Central D	ivision		
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Milwaukee	42	33	.560	_
Chicago	41	33	.554	1/2
Cincinnati	36	36	.500	41/2
St. Louis	36	38	.486	51/2
Pittsburgh	26	46	.361	141/2
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San Francisco	48	26	.649	_
Los Angeles	44	30	.595	4
San Diego	45	32	.584	41/2
Colorado	31	44	.413	171/2
Arizona	21	55	.276	28
We	dnesday's	Late Ga	me	
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	Thursday'	s Games		
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Atlanta at Cincinnati, late Washington at Miami, late

Pittsburgh at St. Louis, late Chicago Cubs at L.A. Dodgers, late

Friday's Games Colorado (Gray 4-6) at Milwaukee (Burnes 3-4), 1:10 p.m. Philadelphia (Nola 5-4) at N.Y. Mets (Walker 6-3), 1:10 p.m. 1st game

Atlanta (Smyly 4-3) at Cincinnati (Gutierrez 3-1), 4:10 p.m. Philadelphia (Moore 0-1) at N.Y. Mets (Peterson 2-5),

4:10 p.m., 2nd game Washington (Lester 1-2) at Miami (López 3-4), 4:10 p.m. Pittsburgh (Crowe 0-4) at St. Louis (Kim 1-5), 5:15 p.m. Oakland (Manaea 6-3) at San Francisco (Cueto 5-3),

Arizona (Martin 0-2) at San Diego (Paddack 4-5), 7:10 p.m. Chicago Cubs (Arrieta 5-8) at L.A. Dodgers (Gonsolin

College World Series In Omaha, Neb. (Double Elimination: x-if necessary)

Thursday's Game Game 10: No. 2 Texas 8 vs. Virginia, late Friday's Games

Game 11: N.C. State vs. Vanderbilt, 11 a.m. Game 12: No. 7 Mississippi St. vs. Game 10 winner, 4 p.m.

NHL playoffs CONFERENCE FINALS Thursday: Vegas at Montreal, late

x-Saturday: Montreal at Vegas, 5 p.m.
Tampa Bay 3, N.Y. Islanders 3 Friday: N.Y. Islanders at Tampa Bay, 5 p.m.

GOLF

Women's PGA Championship **Partial Scores** Thursday in Johns Creek, Ga. Yardage: 6,740; Par: 72 First Round

Lizette Salas	34-33-0
Charley Hull	33-35—68
Jeongeun Lee6	34-35—69
Austin Ernst	35-34—69
Jessica Korda	35-34—69
Alena Sharp	34-35—69
Xiyu Lin	33-3669
Yealimi Noh	35-34—69
Dani Holmqvist	35-34—69
Patty Tavatanakit	33-37—70
Ariya Jutanugarn	34-36—70
Madelene Sagstrom	34-36—70
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Maria Fassi	34-36—70
Gerina Piller	36-34—70
Dottie Ardina	35-35—70
Giulia Molinaro	35-35—70
Cydney Clanton	37-33—70
Mina Harigae	35-35—70
Nelly Korda	35-35—70
Chella Choi	35-35—70
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	37-33—70

Hvo Joo Kim, 36-35—71, Caroline Masson, 35-36—71 Anna Nordqvist, 37-34—71. Inbee Park, 37-34—71. Ryann O'Toole, 34-37—71. Esther Henseleit, 37-34—71. Hannah Green, 35-37—72. Angela Stanford, 35-37—72. Amy Yang, 36-36—72. So Yeon Ryu, 35-37—72. Leona Maguire, 37-35—72. Marina Alex, 36-36—72. Brittany Lincicome, 35-37—72. Lydia Ko, 37-35—72. Yu Liu, 37-35—72. Sandra

Pornanong Phatlum, 36-37—73. Ally Ewing, 37-36—73. Lindsey Weaver, 38-35—73. Jeongeun Lee, 38-35—73. Lauren Kim, 37-36—73. Sarah Burnham, 34-39—73.

Yuka Saso, 37-36—73. Lexi Thompson, 38-35—73. Albane Valenzuela, 35-38—73. Sophia Popov, 35-38—73. Jaye Marie Green, 37-36—73. Wichanee Meechai, 37-36—73. Brittany Altomare, 36-37—73. Lindy Duncan, 36-37—73. Su Oh, 37-36—73. Aditi Ashok, 35-38—73.

Maria Fernanda Torres, 37-37—74. Alison Lee, 37-37—74. Mel Reid, 37-37—74. Brittany Lang, 38-36—74. Brooke M. Henderson, 38-36—74. Shanshan Feng, 39-35—74. Eun-Hee Ji, 38-36—74. Pajaree Anannarukarn, 35-39— 74. Alisa Rodriguez, 33-41—74. Paula Reto, 40-34—74.

MWSL						
	W	L	Т	Pts	GF	GA
Orlando	4	0	3	15	11	6
Portland	4	2	0	12	12	4
North Carolina	3	2	1	10	10	4
Washington	2	1	3	9	6	6
Gotham FC	2	1	2	8	3	2
Chicago	2	3	2	8	5	10
Reign FC	2	3	1	7	5	5
Houston	2	3	1	7	6	7
Louisville	2	3	1	7	3	10
Kansas City	0	5	2	2	3	10
NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie.						
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Saturday's Games Louisville at Chicago, 11 a.m. Gotham FC at Reign FC, 1 p.m. Portland at North Carolina, 4 p.m Washington at Kansas City, 5:30 p.m.

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

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Cydney Clanton	37-33—70
Mina Harigae	35-35—70
Nelly Korda	35-35—70
Chella Choi	35-35—70
Nanna Koerstz Madsen	37-33—70

SOCCER

NWSL						
	W	L	T	Pts	GF	GA
Orlando	4	0	3	15	11	6
Portland	4	2	0	12	12	4
North Carolina	3	2	1	10	10	4
Washington	2	1	3	9	6	6
Gotham FC	2	1	2	8	3	2
Chicago	2	3	2	8	5	10
Reign FC	2	3	1	7	5	5
Houston	2	3	1	7	6	7
Louisville	2	3	1	7	3	10
Kansas City	0	5	2	2	3	10
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Klara Spilkova, 36-38—74. Mariah Stackhouse, 37-37—74.

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Portland	4	2	0	12	12	4			
North Carolina	3	2	1	10	10	4			
Washington	2	1	3	9	6	6			
Gotham FC	2	1	2	8	3	2			
Chicago	2	3	2	8	5	10			
Reign FC	2	3	1	7	5	5			
Houston	2	3	1	7	6	7			
Louisville	2	3	1	7	3	10			
Kansas City	0	5	2	2	3	10			
NOTE: Three poir	nts for v	ictory	, one	point fo	or tie.				
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Phila.	5	2	3	18	12	
NY City FC	4	3	2	14	16	1
Columbus	4	3	2	14	9	
Nashville	3	1	5	14	12	1
D.C. United	4	5	1	13	9	1
New York	4	5	0	12	14	1
CF Montréal	3	3	3	12	10	
Atlanta	2	2	5	11	11	1
Inter Miami CF	2	5	2	8	8	1
Cincinnati	2	5	1	7	7	1
Toronto FC	1	6	2	5	12	1
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EASTERN CONFERENCE

Pts

FC Dallas NOTE: Three points for victory, one point for tie. Wednesday's Late Games Seattle 2, Real SL 1 LA FC 2, FC Dallas 0

LA Galaxy 2, Vancouver Friday's Game Orlando City at Miami. 5 p.m

San Jose Austin FC

Vancouver

DEALS

Transactions BASEBALL Major League Baseball

American League
BOSTON RED SOX — Placed INF Christian Arroyo on the 10-day IL, retroactive to June 21. Recalled INF/OF Mi-

chael Chavis from Worcester (Triple-A East). CLEVELAND INDIANS — Placed RHP Aaron Civale on the 10-day IL. Designated C Ryan Lavarnway for assignment. Selected the contract of RHP Justin Garza from

Columbus (Triple-A East).

HOUSTON ASTROS — Sent RHPs Austin Pruitt, Enoli Paredes and Bryan Abreu to Sugar Land (Triple-A West) on rehab assignments. SEATTLE MARINERS — Recalled RHP Keynan Middle-

ton from Tacoma (Triple-A West). Optioned RHP Vinny Nittoli to Tacoma. Designated LHP Daniel Zamora for TAMPA BAY RAYS — Placed SS Taylor Walls on the 10-day IL, retroactive to June 23. Traded 1B Wyatt Mathisen

to Seattle Mariners for cash considerations. Recalled RHP Drew Rasmussen from Durham (Triple-A East). ATLANTA BRAVES — Transferred LHP Tucker Davidson and C Alex Jackson from the 10-day IL to the 60-day IL. Optioned RHP Kyle Wright and RHP Ty Tice to Gwinnett (Triple-A East). Selected the contracts of RHP Jesse Chavez and RHP Tanner Roark from Gwinnett.

LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Sent LHP Scott Alexander to Oklahoma City (Triple-A West) on a rehab assignment. MIAMI MARLINS — Optioned RHP Jordan Holloway

to Jacksonville (Triple-A East).

NEW YORK METS — Signed RHP Vance Worley to a minor league contract. PHILADELPHIA PHILLIES — Sent SS Didi Gregorius to Lehigh Valley (Triple-A East) on a rehab assignment. WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Assigned LHP Ben Braymer outright to Rochester (Triple-A East) after clearing

FOOTBALL National Football League
CAROLINA PANTHERS — Signed OT Brady Christensen to a rookie contract.

NEW YORK GIANTS — Waived RB Raquel Armstead.

PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Released RG David De Castro. Agreed to terms with OG Trai Turner on a one year contract. COLLEGE

AMERICAN U. — Named Garland Bartlett head coach of men's and women's swimming and diving.

Tennis

NBCSN

4:30 a.m. (Sun) NBCSN

5 p.m.

Continued from B3

Coco Gauff, now 17, returns to the site of her big breakthrough at 15. Could there be pion?

What matters most to many is simply that The Championships — as it's known to locals — will be played after being the only Grand Slam site that remained silent during the COVID-19 outbreak.

"In my mind — and I think in a lot of players' minds it's the biggest tournament in the world, and the most prestigious. It was a bitter disappointment to everybody. And it was historical," said Evert, who won three of her 18 major singles trophies at Wimbledon. "It made you realize how bad the world was and how bad the pandemic really was."

The French Open shifted from May-June to September-October in 2020, then was played again this year, delayed just one week. That shift left just two weeks, instead of three, between the clay of Paris and the grass of London, which could be an advantage to those most at ease on the lawns of Wimbledon, such as eight-time champion Federer or seven-time champ Williams.

The U.S. Open was played in August-September 2020, albeit without fans, and the Australian Open was delayed by three weeks in 2021.



Novak Diokovic and Roger Federer walk with the trophies after the men's 2019 Wimbledon final in London. At this year's Wimbledon, Djokovic will try to equal Federer and Rafael Nadal with 20 major championships.

But the All England Club, unlike groups running other majors, had cancellation insurance that paid 180 million pounds (\$250 million), according to chairman Ian Hewitt.

"Everything happened very quickly. ... We were all not sure, anymore, what was going on," said Federer, who missed most of 2020 after two operations on his right knee.

There are changes this time — and on the horizon.

There will be fewer fans than usual for most of the two weeks — they'll need to prove they've been vaccinated, tested negative for COVID-19 or had the illness within the preceding six months — and while the customary Middle Sunday without competition remains in effect, that will change in 2022, when the full fortnight will see matches.

The athletes and their entourages must stay at a designated hotel in London as part

of what the tournament is calling a "minimized risk environment," with coronavirus testing and a "track-and-trace program."

"Obviously it's not going to be normal," said Johanna Konta, a British player who is a three-time Slam semifinalist, including at Wimbledon in 2017. "But it's still grass. It's still home. It's still a home crowd. It's still home comforts, in that sense, so I think it will just be exciting."

Track

Continued from B3

Her best time this season (52.83) is nearly 2 seconds better than Muhammad's (54.50). Muhammad is still rounding into form after suffering a hamstring injury earlier this

"I'm lucky enough to have a lot of muscle memory in the event," Muhammad said. "So it doesn't take a lot at this point of my career to figure out the

speed and the pattern of the 400 hurdles."

Beat the heat

There are still many Tokyo spots up for grabs over the final few days, the last two of which are expected to reach 100 degrees, with a potentially record-setting heatwave descending on the Pacific North-

To beat the heat, USA Track and Field moved the start times for Saturday's 20-kilometer racewalks to 7 a.m. — two hours earlier than originally scheduled.

The women's 10,000-meter final was moved to Saturday at 10 a.m., and the men's 5,000-meter final was moved to Sunday at 10 a.m.

Noah's arc

World champion sprinter Noah Lyles had visions of a 100-200 sprint double. But it didn't work out in the 100, where he finished seventh. He promised no such letdown in his signature event, the 200, with the first round Friday and the final Sunday in the final event of the trials.

"I plan to go into the 200 and dominate," Lyles said. "Point blank."

It's a loaded field that also includes Terrance Laird, the LSU standout who just announced he was turning pro. Laird recently won the 100 meters at the NCAA championships and finished second in the 200.