

# Giants coach makes MLB history

By **JANIE MCCAULEY**  
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SAN FRANCISCO — Alyssa Nakken was hard at work in the batting cage, just a few steps from the dugout, when suddenly the call came: The San Francisco Giants needed her to coach at first base.

She quickly pulled off her sweatshirt, grabbed her No. 92 jersey and found a bright orange batting helmet.

A few minutes later, Nakken made major league history as the first female coach on the field in a regular-season game when she took her spot Tuesday night in a 13-2 win over San Diego.

"I think we're all inspirations doing everything that we do on a day-to-day basis and I think, yes, this carries a little bit more weight because of the visibility, obviously there's a historical nature to

it," she said. "But again, this is my job."

Nakken came in to coach first base for the Giants in the third inning after Antoan Richardson was ejected.

When she was announced as Richardson's replacement, Nakken received a warm ovation from the crowd at Oracle Park, and a congratulatory handshake from Padres first baseman Eric Hosmer.

"Right now in this moment as I reflect back, I reflect back to somebody needed to go out, we needed a coach to coach first base, our first base coach got thrown out, I've been in training as a first base coach for the last few years and work alongside Antoan, so I stepped in to what I've been hired to do, is support this staff and this team," Nakken said.

The baseball Hall of Fame was ready, too. Her helmet

is already on its way to the shrine in Cooperstown, New York.

San Francisco manager Gabe Kapler said Nakken had "prepared for this moment" while working with Richardson and others.

"So it's not a foreign spot on the field for her. She does so many other things well that aren't seen," he said. "So it's nice to see her kind of be right there in the spotlight and do it on the field."

Nakken is an assistant coach who works heavily with baserunning and outfield defense. She watches games from an indoor batting cage near the steps to the dugout — and keeps a Giants jersey nearby, just in case she needs it.

And in an instant Tuesday night, she needed it.

The 31-year-old Nakken jogged onto the field four

days after Rachel Balkovec became the first woman to manage a minor league affiliate of an Major League Baseball team. She guided the New York Yankees' Class A Tampa club to a win in her first game.

Nakken had previously coached the position in spring training and during part of a July 2020 exhibition game at Oakland against now-Padres manager Bob Melvin when he was skipper of the Athletics. She started at first again a night later against the A's in San Francisco as the teams prepared for the pandemic-delayed season.

"You feel a sense of pride to be out there," Nakken said at the time. "Me personally, it's the best place to watch a game, that's for sure."

The former Sacramento State softball star, whose blonde braid hung out from

her orange protective helmet Tuesday, became the first female coach in the big leagues when she was hired for Kapler's staff in January 2020.

At Sacramento State from 2009-2012, Nakken was a three-time all-conference player at first base and four-time Academic All American. She went on to earn a master's degree in sport management from the University of San Francisco in 2015 after interning with the Giants' baseball operations department a year earlier.

From Day One with the Giants, Nakken embraced her role as an example for girls and women that they can do anything.

"It's a big deal," she said. "I feel a great sense of responsibility and I feel it's my job to honor those who have helped me to where I am."

## Fresh off Nashville scoring mark, Josi chasing down Leetch

By **TERESA M. WALKER**  
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NASHVILLE — Nashville captain Roman Josi finally has chased down Paul Kariya for the Predators' single-season scoring record.

Next up is Brian Leetch, someone who might be much tougher to catch.

Josi added three assists last week at Ottawa in his career season, giving him 87 points to top the mark of 85 set by Hall of Famer Kariya in 2005-06. Josi is just the 10th defenseman in NHL history to put up 87 points in a season and he has nine games remaining to become the first defenseman in three decades to reach the 100-point mark.

Leetch is the last defenseman to reach that mark, with 102 points to win his first of two Norris Trophy awards in his Hall of Fame career. Josi's 87 points are the most by an NHL defenseman since Ray Bourque had 91 and Sergei Zubov had 89 in 1993-94.

Not that Josi has taken time to enjoy the best scoring season of his career. He's too busy trying to extend Nashville's playoff streak to an eighth straight season, with the Predators trying to hold onto a wildcard spot in the Western Conference.

"This time of the year, it's all about winning," said Josi, the 2020 Norris Trophy winner.

Josi leads all NHL defensemen and ranks 10th in the NHL in points. Through Tuesday night, he had 19 goals with his 68 assists second among all NHL skaters.

He led the league with 32 points in March, the first defenseman to do that in any month since Paul Coffey in February 1990. He also joined Coffey and Bobby Orr as the only defensemen to score at least 28 points in a calendar month.

The Predators captain also has four four-point games this season, twice as many as any other defenseman this season. He had four straight games with at least three points, a feat only Orr in 1970-71, managed among NHL defensemen.

The Predators played a video from Kariya congratulating Josi on topping his franchise mark last weekend. Josi credits his success to teammates who also are having career years.

This is the first season Nashville has ever had three players with at least 70 points, with the Predators joining Colorado, Calgary and Florida in that category.

Filip Forsberg and Matt Duchene are tied with a franchise-record 38 goals, and Tanner Jeannot leads all rookies with 24 goals.

"I'm getting a lot of free points because guys are playing so well," Josi said. "Guys are scoring, our power plays doing really well, so it's just so much fun being part of this team. Everybody plays for each other. Everybody wants everyone to do well, and it's just been so much fun."

Despite his career season, Josi might not even be a shoo-in to win the Norris Trophy as the NHL's top defenseman for a second time. Colorado's Cale Makar, who has 77 points and averages 25:43 of ice time, appears to be the front-runner for that award, and Tampa Bay's Victor Hedman remains a top candidate.

Josi's Nashville teammates know who they favor.

"I just see him doing his thing so consistently, just dominating the puck, dominating the ice, making big-time plays every game," Predators center Ryan Johansen said of Josi. "It's really a pleasure to be a part of and watch."

### Empty-net Ovi

Alex Ovechkin on Sunday scored his ninth empty-net goal of the season, tying the record set by Pavel Bure in 1999-2000. It was Ovechkin's 45th goal of the season and 775th of his NHL career.

As Ovechkin chases down Wayne Gretzky's record of 894 that long seemed untouchable, it's worth noting a vast majority of each player's goals came against a goaltender. Ovechkin is up to 48 empty-netters and needs eight to tie the record of 56 held, of course, by Gretzky.

### Game of the week

The Minnesota Wild visit the St. Louis Blues on Saturday in the final game between the Central Division rivals fighting for position behind Colorado.

### Leaders (through Tuesday)

Goals: Auston Matthews (Toronto), 58; Assists: Jonathan Huberdeau (Florida), 77; Points: Connor McDavid (Edmonton), 108; Ice time (active players): Seth Jones (Chicago), 26:13; Wins: Juuse Saros (Nashville), 36; Goals-against average: Frederik Andersen (Carolina), 2.07; Save percentage: Igor Shesterkin (N.Y. Rangers), .934.

## Vols keeping up historic pace

By **ERIC OLSON**  
AP Sports Writer

The beat goes on for Tennessee.

The top-ranked Volunteers (31-1) became the first Southeastern Conference team to open 12-0 in league play after they took three games from Missouri in Knoxville over the weekend.

They also have won an SEC record-tying 23 games in a row and 81 of their last 100.

The Vols are not lacking for confidence. In fact, fifth-year coach Tony Vitello said one of his challenges is to get his players to "tame" their emotions.

Their home run celebrations have made them a target for critics the past year. The most high-profile example was Drew Gilbert's walk-off grand slam against Wright State in NCAA regionals last year. He flipped his bat high into the air, skipped and jumped down the first- and third-base lines and heaved his helmet like a discus before he touched home.

"We took that villain role and we fed off that," relief pitcher Redmond Walsh said. "We've got guys like Drew Gilbert who, legit, wants to fight everybody it feels like and be the guy that has a target on his back."

In the opener of the series at Vanderbilt on April 1, Jordan Beck's first-inning homer was disallowed because his bat was deemed illegal on a technicality and he was called out. When Luc Lipcius homered the next inning and crossed the plate, he put his bat up to his eyes and stared at the barrel as if to inspect it to make sure it was legal.

"I said some choice words to the umpire and their dugout and ... it was one of those things you had to do, to get back at them and make it a little chippy," Lipcius said.

"People haven't really liked us since we've been good," Lipcius said. "They're used to us being just the people that lay down for you. Now that we're here, it's ruffling some feathers and people really don't like it. I think the style of ball we play, too — a lot of emotion gets under people's skin. Let them do whatever they want. We're going to keep winning."

### In the polls

Tennessee is the consensus No. 1 team for the third straight week.

Miami (26-6), coming off an impressive home sweep of Virginia, is No. 2 by D1Baseball.com, Baseball America

and Collegiate Baseball newspaper.

The No. 3 team is Oregon State (24-7) by D1Baseball, Oklahoma State (23-9) by Baseball America and Louisville (23-8) by Collegiate Baseball.

### Beavers feat

Oregon State had never swept Southern California in Los Angeles until this past weekend.

The Beavers outscored USC 19-6 in the three games, with their starting pitchers allowing a combined two runs and 10 hits in 17 innings and striking out 15. Oregon State pitchers combined for 21 strikeouts and no walks over 27 innings.

### Mountaineers climbing

West Virginia, picked second to last in the Big 12 in the preseason, sits atop the conference standings with Oklahoma State coming to Morgantown this weekend for a league showdown.

The Mountaineers (20-10) have won five of six to start Big 12 play. They took three games from Baylor over the weekend for their first conference sweep since 2018.

### Rutgers on roll

Rutgers is just past

the midway point of what so far has been its best season since 2007, when it shared the Big East championship and made its most recent NCAA Tournament appearance.

The Big Ten-leading Scarlet Knights (25-6, 8-1) have won 10 in a row following a three-game sweep at Nebraska. The streak is their longest since 2004.

Rutgers finished off the Cornhuskers with a 19-1 win and is in the top 10 nationally in scoring at 9.2 runs per game.

The Scarlet Knights have been unable to crack the national rankings. Attribute that to a schedule strength ranking of 209th and playing in the No. 8 conference in RPI, just behind the Missouri Valley and Sun Belt.

### Done dirty

Long Beach State lost two of three at Cal Poly, but the Dirtbags' win was a doozy: LBSU collected a national season-high 32 hits on its way to a 28-2 victory Saturday. The hit total and 26-run margin were program records.

Cal Poly had never given up so many hits, and the 28 runs were tied for most ever allowed by the Mustangs.

## Nashville soccer-specific stadium nears completion

By **TERESA M. WALKER**  
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NASHVILLE — The Nashville SC held an open practice Tuesday at the largest soccer-specific stadium in the United States.

The team is scheduled to play its first game at 30,000-seat GEODIS Park on May 1, though there are still some construction and final touches being finalized.

Defender Walker Zimmerman said it's been a slow build from the expansion franchise's debut Feb. 29, 2020, playing at Nissan Stadium, home of the NFL's Tennessee Titans.

"It's incredible to think this is our permanent home and place where 30,000 can come, pack it out cheering for us," Zimmerman said. "It's amazing. We can't wait for May 1st. It's going to be an amazing atmosphere, and hopefully we can bring back

three points to open it the right way."

Nashville is starting this season with its first eight games on the road. Nashville currently ranks seventh in the Western Conference with 10 points and a 3-2-1 record. This club has reached the playoffs each of its first two seasons, losing to Philadelphia Union in a shootout in the Eastern Conference semifinals last November.

GEODIS Park was built at the Nashville fairgrounds right next door to the historic speedway, which city officials and Bristol Motor Speedway are working on a planned renovation.

The stadium features a 360-degree roof or canopy over the seats with lots of steel struts and brick designed to mimic the industrial area in the neighborhood. Club seats have access to three sepa-

rate themed-club areas on the west side of the stadium, while the west side features a 65-foot wide concourse.

Architects even designed a stage for musicians who start each home game with a guitar riff, the national anthem or concerts during the game. The Bermuda grass was installed on the field in early March. Bathrooms on the concourse are reversible, allowing them to be used for pregame events outside before gates open.

The May 1 debut already is sold out, and Nashville has sold 21,000 season tickets for this season.

Nashville chief executive officer Ian Ayre said recalled the plans being only lines on paper when he arrived in 2018.

"Fans in the stadium, players on the field, and it felt like a sound check for May the first for me getting over those fi-

nal touches," Ayre said. "Great testament to so many people, too many to mention."

The practice was open to season-ticket holders with Nashville expecting up to 4,000. Torrential thunderstorms Tuesday morning dampened the turnout. The fans who did show up stayed busy buying merchandise, walking down to the front row to watch practice or tour the stadium.

Midfielder Anibal Godoy said they're looking forward to this new stadium, knowing they need to win at home. Nashville went undefeated at home in 2021, going 8-0-9 in a streak the players hope to carry over to the new park. Godoy said they know if they win at home they'll go to the playoffs.

"Now we have 30,000 here ... it's amazing for us and we need to enjoy this time," Godoy said.



## THURSDAY EVENING

APRIL 14, 2022

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<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: Grey's Anatomy: "Freedom" (TV14)	CBS: Young (N)	NBC: Law & Order: SVU (N)	FOX: MasterChef Junior (N)	ION: Chicago P.D. (TV14)	Economics	Economics	Local	Jimmy Kimmel Live	Nightline																												
<b>CABLE</b>	A&E: The First 48: "Tracked"	AMC: Con Air (97, R) ★★★	ANIMAL: Gold Rush (TVPG)	BET: Nobody's Fool (18) ★★	BRVO: Top Chef (TV14) N	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: The Office	DISNEY: Zootopia (16) Idris Elba	ESPN: NHL Hockey: Minnesota Wild at Dallas Stars (Live)	ESPN2: College Football: Oregon vs Arizona (Live)	FOOD: Restaurant: Impossible	FREEMFORM: The Office	FX: (6:30) Bad Boys for Life (20, R) ★★★	HGTV: No Demo Reno (TV G)	HISTORY: Swamp People (TVPG)	LIFETIME: The Mentalist (TVPG)	MTV: Jersey Shore (TV14)	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: Kids' Choice 22 (TV G)	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: Death Hallows 1 (10)	TBS: Bang	TCM: The Time Machine (60, G) ★★★	TLC: Dr. Pimple Popper	TNT: Bridesmaids (11, R) ★★★	TRAVEL: Paranormal (TVPG)	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: 9-1-1: "The Taking of..."	VH1: (4:30) Gangster (07)	HBO: Winning Time (TVMA)	MAX: Collateral (04, R) ★★★½	SHOW: Beverly Hills Cop (84, R) ★★★				
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS: Come Dance with Me (N)	NBC: The Blacklist (TV14) N	FOX: WWE Friday Night SmackDown (Live)	ION: Hawaii Five-0 (TV14)	A&E: The First 48 (TV14)	AMC: The Fifth Element (97, PG-13) ★★★½	ANIMAL: Treehouse Masters: Ultimate Builds	BET: (5:00) First Fight (17, R)	BRVO: Fast & Furious (09)	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Gold Rush (TV14) N	DISNEY: Raven (N)	ESPN: (6:00) NBA Basketball (Live)	ESPN2: (6:00) College Baseball: Florida vs Vanderbilt	FOOD: Diners	FREEMFORM: Family Guy	FX: The Call of the Wild (20, PG) ★★★½	HGTV: My Lottery	HISTORY: Ancient Aliens (TVPG)	LIFETIME: I Can Only Imagine (18, PG) ★★	MTV: Sex & City	NEWSNAT: Dan Abrams Live	NICK: Loud House	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: Fantastic Beast (16)	TBS: (6:02) Intelligence (16)	TCM: The Jackie Robinson Story (50) ★★★½	TLC: 90 Day Fiance: Before the 90 Days (TV14) N	TNT: NCIS: New Orleans	TRAVEL: The Ghost Town Terror	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: Chicago Fire (TV14)	VH1: RuPaul's Drag Race (TV14) N	HBO: We're the Millers (13, R) ★★★	MAX: Lumper (08, PG-13) ★★	SHOW: The Madras: The Savage (20, NR)
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS: The Walking Dead	NBC: The Blacklist	FOX: WWE Friday Night SmackDown	ION: Hawaii Five-0	A&E: The First 48	AMC: The Fifth Element	ANIMAL: Treehouse Masters	BET: (5:00) First Fight	BRVO: Fast & Furious	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Gold Rush	DISNEY: Raven	ESPN: (6:00) NBA Basketball	ESPN2: (6:00) College Baseball	FOOD: Diners	FREEMFORM: Family Guy	FX: The Call of the Wild	HGTV: My Lottery	HISTORY: Ancient Aliens	LIFETIME: I Can Only Imagine	MTV: Sex & City	NEWSNAT: Dan Abrams Live	NICK: Loud House	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: Fantastic Beast	TBS: (6:02) Intelligence	TCM: The Jackie Robinson Story	TLC: 90 Day Fiance	TNT: NCIS: New Orleans	TRAVEL: The Ghost Town Terror	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: Chicago Fire	VH1: RuPaul's Drag Race	HBO: We're the Millers	MAX: Lumper	SHOW: The Madras
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<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS: The Equalizer (N)	NBC: NCIS: Los Angeles (N)	FOX: (6:00) NASCAR Cup Series: "Dirt Race" (Live)	ION: NCIS: "Off the Grid"	A&E: The First 48 (TV14)	AMC: Fear the Walking Dead	ANIMAL: Louisiana Law	BET: First Sunday (08, PG-13) ★½	BRVO: Real Housewives (N)	CARTOON: Miracles	CNN: Stanley Tucci: "Rome"	COMEDY: Couples Retreat (09, PG-13) ★★	DISCOVERY: Naked and Afraid (TV14) N	DISNEY: Miraculous: Miraculous	E! Sex and the City (08)	ESPN: (6:00) MLB Baseball: Atlanta vs San Diego (Live)	ESPN2: (6:00) MLB Baseball: Atlanta vs San Diego (Live)	FOOD: Tournament of Champions: "A Champion Is..."	FREEMFORM: Lion King (12, PG) ★★★½	FX: Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (18) Chris Pratt	HGTV: Home Town (TV G) N	HISTORY: Food Built (TVPG)	LIFETIME: God Bless the Broken Road (18, PG) ★★	MTV: Ridiculous	NEWSNAT: NewsNation Prime	NICK: To Be Announced	PARMT: (6:00) Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Captain America: Civil War (16, PG-13)	TBS: Bang	TCM: Easter Parade (48, NR) ★★★	TLC: 90 Day Fiance: "Ketchup to My" (TV14) N	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball (Live)	TRAVEL: Expedition Bigfoot	TV LAND: Men	USA: Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (04)	VH1: Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection (12) ★★	HBO: (5:25) Man of Steel (13) ★★	MAX: The Untouchables (87, R) ★★½	SHOW: The Circus
<b>CABLE</b>	A&E: The First 48	AMC: Fear the Walking Dead	ANIMAL: Louisiana Law	BET: First Sunday	BRVO: Real Housewives	CARTOON: Miracles	CNN: Stanley Tucci	COMEDY: Couples Retreat	DISCOVERY: Naked and Afraid	DISNEY: Miraculous	E! Sex and the City	ESPN: (6:00) MLB Baseball	ESPN2: (6:00) MLB Baseball	FOOD: Tournament of Champions	FREEMFORM: Lion King	FX: Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom	HGTV: Home Town	HISTORY: Food Built	LIFETIME: God Bless the Broken Road	MTV: Ridiculous	NEWSNAT: NewsNation Prime	NICK: To Be Announced	PARMT: (6:00) Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Captain America: Civil War	TBS: Bang	TCM: Easter Parade	TLC: 90 Day Fiance	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball	TRAVEL: Expedition Bigfoot	TV LAND: Men	USA: Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban	VH1: Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection	HBO: (5:25) Man of Steel	MAX: The Untouchables	SHOW: The Circus				

## SUNDAY EVENING

APRIL 17, 2022

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<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: American Idol: "511 Season 20's Top 20" (TVPG) N	CBS: The Equalizer (N)	NBC: NCIS: Los Angeles (N)	FOX: (6:00) NASCAR Cup Series: "Dirt Race" (Live)	ION: NCIS: "Off the Grid"	A&E: The First 48 (TV14)	AMC: Fear the Walking Dead	ANIMAL: Louisiana Law	BET: First Sunday (08, PG-13) ★½	BRVO: Real Housewives (N)	CARTOON: Miracles	CNN: Stanley Tucci: "Rome"	COMEDY: Couples Retreat (09, PG-13) ★★	DISCOVERY: Naked and Afraid (TV14) N	DISNEY: Miraculous: Miraculous	E! Sex and the City (08)	ESPN: (6:00) MLB Baseball: Atlanta vs San Diego (Live)	ESPN2: (6:00) MLB Baseball: Atlanta vs San Diego (Live)	FOOD: Tournament of Champions: "A Champion Is..."	FREEMFORM: Lion King (12, PG) ★★★½	FX: Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom (18) Chris Pratt	HGTV: Home Town (TV G) N	HISTORY: Food Built (TVPG)	LIFETIME: God Bless the Broken Road (18, PG) ★★	MTV: Ridiculous	NEWSNAT: NewsNation Prime	NICK: To Be Announced	PARMT: (6:00) Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Captain America: Civil War (16, PG-13)	TBS: Bang	TCM: Easter Parade (48, NR) ★★★	TLC: 90 Day Fiance: "Ketchup to My" (TV14) N	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball (Live)	TRAVEL: Expedition Bigfoot	TV LAND: Men	USA: Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban (04)	VH1: Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection (12) ★★	HBO: (5:25) Man of Steel (13) ★★	MAX: The Untouchables (87, R) ★★½	SHOW: The Circus
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS: The Equalizer	NBC: NCIS: Los Angeles	FOX: (6:00) NASCAR Cup Series	ION: NCIS: "Off the Grid"	A&E: The First 48	AMC: Fear the Walking Dead	ANIMAL: Louisiana Law	BET: First Sunday	BRVO: Real Housewives	CARTOON: Miracles	CNN: Stanley Tucci	COMEDY: Couples Retreat	DISCOVERY: Naked and Afraid	DISNEY: Miraculous	E! Sex and the City	ESPN: (6:00) MLB Baseball	ESPN2: (6:00) MLB Baseball	FOOD: Tournament of Champions	FREEMFORM: Lion King	FX: Jurassic World: Fallen Kingdom	HGTV: Home Town	HISTORY: Food Built	LIFETIME: God Bless the Broken Road	MTV: Ridiculous	NEWSNAT: NewsNation Prime	NICK: To Be Announced	PARMT: (6:00) Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Captain America: Civil War	TBS: Bang	TCM: Easter Parade	TLC: 90 Day Fiance	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball	TRAVEL: Expedition Bigfoot	TV LAND: Men	USA: Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban	VH1: Tyler Perry's Madea's Witness Protection	HBO: (5:25) Man of Steel	MAX: The Untouchables	SHOW: The Circus	
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## MONDAY EVENING

APRIL 18, 2022

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<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: American Idol: "Top 14 Reveal" (TVPG) N	CBS: Neighbor. (N)	NBC: American Song Contest: "Qualifiers Pt. 5"	FOX: 9-1-1: "Dumb Luck" (N)	ION: NCIS: Los Angeles	A&E: The First 48 (TV14)	AMC: Ocean's Thirteen (07)	ANIMAL: Homestead Rescue: Survival Shelter (N)	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Below Deck (TV14) N	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Street Outlaws (TV14) N	DISNEY: Amphibia	E! Family	ESPN: (6:00) E60	ESPN2: 2021 Air	FOOD: Spring Baking (N)	FREEMFORM: Woman	FX: Downhill (20, R) ★★	HGTV: 100 Day Dream Home	HISTORY: Ancient Aliens (TVPG)	LIFETIME: Castle (TVPG)	MTV: Ridiculous	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: (6:30) Hotel Transylvania (12, PG)	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Underworld (17)	TBS: Bang	TCM: Dodge City (39, NR) ★★★	TLC: 90 Day: The Single Life: "Leave You and"	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball (Live)	TRAVEL: Mysteries of the Unknown (TVPG) N	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: WWE Monday Night Raw (Live)	VH1: Black Ink Crew (TV14)	HBO: (6:00) Free Guy (21)	MAX: The X-Files (98, PG-13) ★★★	SHOW: The First Lady (TVMA)
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS: Neighbor	NBC: American Song Contest	FOX: 9-1-1: "Dumb Luck"	ION: NCIS: Los Angeles	A&E: The First 48	AMC: Ocean's Thirteen	ANIMAL: Homestead Rescue	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Below Deck	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Street Outlaws	DISNEY: Amphibia	E! Family	ESPN: (6:00) E60	ESPN2: 2021 Air	FOOD: Spring Baking	FREEMFORM: Woman	FX: Downhill	HGTV: 100 Day Dream Home	HISTORY: Ancient Aliens	LIFETIME: Castle	MTV: Ridiculous	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: (6:30) Hotel Transylvania	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Underworld	TBS: Bang	TCM: Dodge City	TLC: 90 Day: The Single Life	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball	TRAVEL: Mysteries of the Unknown	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: WWE Monday Night Raw	VH1: Black Ink Crew	HBO: (6:00) Free Guy	MAX: The X-Files	SHOW: The First Lady	
<b>CABLE</b>	A&E: The First 48	AMC: Ocean's Thirteen	ANIMAL: Homestead Rescue	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Below Deck	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Street Outlaws	DISNEY: Amphibia	E! Family	ESPN: (6:00) E60	ESPN2: 2021 Air	FOOD: Spring Baking	FREEMFORM: Woman	FX: Downhill	HGTV: 100 Day Dream Home	HISTORY: Ancient Aliens	LIFETIME: Castle	MTV: Ridiculous	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: (6:30) Hotel Transylvania	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Underworld	TBS: Bang	TCM: Dodge City	TLC: 90 Day: The Single Life	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball	TRAVEL: Mysteries of the Unknown	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: WWE Monday Night Raw	VH1: Black Ink Crew	HBO: (6:00) Free Guy	MAX: The X-Files	SHOW: The First Lady					

## TUESDAY EVENING

APRIL 19, 2022

	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30																														
<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: Judge Steve Harvey	CBS: FBI: "Fear Nothing" (N)	NBC: Young Rock	FOX: The Resident (N)	ION: Chicago Fire (TV14)	A&E: (6:00) Storage	AMC: (6:00) Storage	ANIMAL: Finding Bigfoot: Uncovered	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Below Deck (TV14) N	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Street Outlaws (TV14) N	DISNEY: Big City	E! (6:30) He's Just Not That Into You (09, PG-13)	ESPN: Special	ESPN2: Caddie	FOOD: Chopped (TV G) N	FREEMFORM: The Office	FX: (6:00) Marvel's The Avengers (12, PG-13) ★★½	HGTV: Unsellable Houses (N)	HISTORY: Oak Island (TVPG)	LIFETIME: Castle: "Third Man"	MTV: Teen Mom 2 (TVPG)	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: (6:30) Hotel Transylvania 2 (15, PG)	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Creepers II (03)	TBS: Bang	TCM: In Which We Serve (42, NR) ★★★	TLC: 7 Little Johnstons	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball (Live)	TRAVEL: Beyond the Unknown: "High Society" (TVPG) N	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: WWE NXT: "NXT 666" (Live)	VH1: Wild N Out	HBO: (6:30) F9 (21, PG-13) ★★½	MAX: Bad News Bears (05, PG-13) Billy Bob Thornton	SHOW: The First Lady (TVMA)
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS: FBI: "Fear Nothing"	NBC: Young Rock	FOX: The Resident	ION: Chicago Fire	A&E: (6:00) Storage	AMC: (6:00) Storage	ANIMAL: Finding Bigfoot: Uncovered	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Below Deck	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Street Outlaws	DISNEY: Big City	E! (6:30) He's Just Not That Into You	ESPN: Special	ESPN2: Caddie	FOOD: Chopped	FREEMFORM: The Office	FX: (6:00) Marvel's The Avengers	HGTV: Unsellable Houses	HISTORY: Oak Island	LIFETIME: Castle: "Third Man"	MTV: Teen Mom 2	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: (6:30) Hotel Transylvania 2	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Creepers II	TBS: Bang	TCM: In Which We Serve	TLC: 7 Little Johnstons	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball	TRAVEL: Beyond the Unknown	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: WWE NXT: "NXT 666"	VH1: Wild N Out	HBO: (6:30) F9	MAX: Bad News Bears	SHOW: The First Lady	
<b>CABLE</b>	A&E: (6:00) Storage	AMC: (6:00) Storage	ANIMAL: Finding Bigfoot: Uncovered	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Below Deck	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: The Office	DISCOVERY: Street Outlaws	DISNEY: Big City	E! (6:30) He's Just Not That Into You	ESPN: Special	ESPN2: Caddie	FOOD: Chopped	FREEMFORM: The Office	FX: (6:00) Marvel's The Avengers	HGTV: Unsellable Houses	HISTORY: Oak Island	LIFETIME: Castle: "Third Man"	MTV: Teen Mom 2	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: (6:30) Hotel Transylvania 2	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Creepers II	TBS: Bang	TCM: In Which We Serve	TLC: 7 Little Johnstons	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball	TRAVEL: Beyond the Unknown	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: WWE NXT: "NXT 666"	VH1: Wild N Out	HBO: (6:30) F9	MAX: Bad News Bears	SHOW: The First Lady					

## WEDNESDAY EVENING

APRIL 20, 2022

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<b>BROADCAST</b>	ABC: Goldbergs	CBS: Survivor (TVPG)	NBC: Chicago Med (TV14) N	FOX: The Masked Singer (N)	ION: Blue Bloods (TV14)	A&E: The First 48 (TV14)	AMC: Sicario (15, R) ★★½	ANIMAL: River Monsters: Deadliest Man-eaters (TVPG)	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Real Housewives (N)	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: S. Park	DISCOVERY: Moonshiners: "America's First" (TV14) N	DISNEY: Big City	E! Family	ESPN: National Champ.	ESPN2: NFL Live	FOOD: Guy's Grocery Games	FREEMFORM: The Office	FX: (6:00) Captain America: The Winter Soldier (14)	HGTV: Love It or List It (TV G)	HISTORY: Forged in Fire (TVPG)	LIFETIME: Married at First Sight: "Past Lives" (TV14) N	MTV: Catfish: The TV Show	NEWSNAT: NewsNation	NICK: (6:30) Despicable Me (10, PG) ★★½	PARMT: Movie	SYFY: (6:00) Zombieland (09)	TBS: Bang	TCM: The Man with the Golden Arm (55, NR) ★★★	TLC: Dr. Pimple Popper (N)	TNT: (6:30) NBA Basketball (Live)	TRAVEL: Ghost Adventures	TV LAND: Loves Ray	USA: SVU: "Hunt, Trap."	VH1: (5:30) Training Day (01)	HBO: Bill Maher: #Adulting	MAX: Adventureland (09, R) ★★★	SHOW: Cypress Hill: Insane In The Brain
<b>BROADCAST</b>	CBS: Survivor	NBC: Chicago Med	FOX: The Masked Singer	ION: Blue Bloods	A&E: The First 48	AMC: Sicario	ANIMAL: River Monsters	BET: (5:00) Movie	BRVO: Real Housewives	CARTOON: Hill	CNN: Anderson Cooper 360°	COMEDY: S. Park	DISCOVERY: Moonshiners	DISNEY: Big City	E! Family	ESPN: National Champ.	ESPN2: NFL Live	FOOD: Guy's Grocery Games	FREEMFORM: The Office	FX: (6:0																				

# Congress: Commanders possibly broke financial laws

By **STEPHEN WHYNO**  
AP Sports Writer

WASHINGTON) — The U.S. House Committee on Oversight and Reform sent a letter to the Federal Trade Commission on Tuesday saying the Washington Commanders engaged in potentially unlawful financial conduct, and the NFL plans to look into the most serious allegations.

The committee found evidence of deceptive business practice over the span of more than a decade, including withholding ticket revenue from visiting teams and refundable deposits from fans.

In the letter obtained by The Associated Press, the committee outlined through the testimony of former employees and access to emails and documents a pattern of financial impropriety by owner Dan Snyder and team executives. At one point in 2016, the committee said the team retained up to \$5 million from 2,000 season-ticket holders while also concealing shareable revenue from the league.

An NFL spokesman said the league has engaged former Securities and Exchange Commission chair Mary Jo White “to review the most serious matters raised by the

committee.” She chaired the SEC from 2013-17.

One former employee testified before Congress saying the team had two separate financial books: one with underreported ticket revenue that went to the NFL and the full, complete picture. According to testimony, Snyder was aware of the numbers shared with the league while also being privy to the actual data.

The business practice was known as “juice” inside Washington’s front office. And, if correct, it could spell significant trouble for Snyder and the Commanders.

Ticket revenue is shared among all 32 NFL teams, with 40% of it deposited in a visiting team fund. Such money is among the pillars of the league’s revenue-sharing commitment.

A team spokeswoman said there was no new comment and referred to the statement from March 31: “The team categorically denies any suggestion of financial impropriety of any kind at any time.”

“We adhere to strict internal processes that are consistent with industry and accounting standards, are audited annually by a globally respected independent auditing firm, and are also subject to regular audits by the NFL. We continue to cooperate fully

with the Committee’s work.”

The House Oversight Committee said it is sharing documents with the FTC because the commission has the authority to investigate unfair or deceptive business practices and determine if any laws were broken.

“We request that you take any other action you deem necessary to ensure that all funds are returned to their rightful owners and that those responsible are held accountable for their conduct,” said the letter signed by committee chairwoman Carolyn B. Maloney and economic and consumer policy subcommittee chairman Raja Krishnamoorthi.

The letter is addressed to FTC chair Lina M. Khan but was also sent to the attorneys general of Maryland, Virginia and the District of Columbia, and NFL Commissioner Roger Goodell.

Congress launched an investigation into the team’s workplace misconduct after the league did not release a report detailing the findings of an independent probe into the matter. The committee said the NFL and the team “have taken steps to withhold key documents and information.”

An NFL spokesman said the league continues to coop-

erate and has provided more than 210,000 pages of documents.

Investigators’ inability to get all the information they wanted led them to seek testimony and documents in other ways. The committee said its investigation uncovered everything from “pervasive sexual harassment and other workplace misconduct to potential financial misconduct.”

According to testimony, financial misconduct included making it intentionally difficult for season-ticket holders to recoup refundable deposit money, counting some of those leftover funds as a different kind of revenue that doesn’t need to be shared with the league, and shifting money from ticket sales for NFL games to other events at FedEx Field as a way of hiding that money from the league.

The committee in the letter shared spreadsheet data showing evidence of deposits that were not returned. Citing emails and the testimony of longtime vice president of sales and customer service Jason Friedman, ticket sales from Washington games were shifted to a 2013 Kenny Chesney concert and a 2014 Navy-Notre Dame college football game as a way to

“juice” revenue and keep it off the books shared with the NFL.

When word first surfaced in early April about the team withholding ticket revenue, the team released a statement denying that report and added: “Anyone who offered testimony suggesting a withholding of revenue has committed perjury, plain and simple.” Lawyer Lisa Banks, who represents Friedman, said the team defamed her client, who testified truthfully “with evidence.”

After the committee sent the letter to the FTC, Banks and lawyer Debra Katz, who represent more than 40 former employees, called it “damning.”

“It’s clear that the team’s misconduct goes well beyond the sexual harassment and abuse of employees already documented and has also impacted the bottom line of the NFL, other NFL owners, and the team’s fans,” they said in a statement. “We are proud of our many clients who have come forward at great personal risk to reveal the truth and bring us closer to total transparency about the full extent of the dysfunction at the Washington Commanders.”

## Logano watches Ty Gibbs scrap with veteran bemusement

By **JENNA FRYER**  
AP Auto Racing Writer

Joey Logano has had his share of conflict during a career that began with his appointment as “Sliced Bread” upon arrival.

He was 18 and overhyped, evidenced by a nickname that likened him to the “greatest thing since ... sliced bread.” Eager to prove himself and determined not to be pushed around, Logano scrapped with just about all of NASCAR’s biggest stars.

He’s had a beef with Kevin Harvick, as well as former Joe Gibbs Racing teammates Denny Hamlin and Kyle Busch. Tony Stewart, the guy he replaced at Gibbs, called Logano “nothing but a little rich kid” during their spat, and Matt Kenseth was suspended two races for deliberately knocking Logano out of championship-contention during their contentious flare-up.

And so it is with some bemusement that Logano watches from afar as Ty Gibbs, the 19-year-old heir apparent at the Gibbs organization, is struggling to find his own footing with three incidents in the past six Xfinity Series races.

“I have a lot more grace for seeing that stuff after going through it myself,” Logano said. “Do I agree with the way it went down? No, I don’t. Have I done that type of thing before? Yeah, I have. Am I proud of it? No, not at all. But I learned from it at least.”

Ty Gibbs this year hasn’t helped his bid to overcome the perception he’s only advanced to NASCAR’s second-tier Xfinity Series because his grandfather owns the team. Gibbs has the best car on track each week and it shows — he has three wins through eight races, is ranked second in the standings and has led nearly a quarter of the laps completed to date — but he’s aggressive and it exploded last weekend at Martinsville Speedway.

Gibbs and Sam Mayer

were racing AJ Allmendinger on the final lap of Friday’s Xfinity Series race with a \$100,000 bonus on the line. Mayer moved Gibbs out of his way, Gibbs retaliated after the checkered flag and then they brawled on pit road.

Gibbs, while still wearing his helmet, threw punches at the unprotected face of his fellow team rival.

“It’s part of growing up on TV. You’re growing up in the limelight, right?” he said before addressing Gibbs specifically, “it’s a very popular driver. He’s very good, he wins, he’s in a great car, and he’s pretty dang aggressive. And I can relate to all that.”

“I wouldn’t say what happened on the race track was wrong, but I’d say what happened after was probably not the right direction.”

What Logano most did not understand is why Gibbs was upset with Mayer after the race. Gibbs has shown since his NASCAR national series debut — a stunning win on the road course in Daytona — that he’s willing to bump and bang his way into victory lane and he’s been aggressive this season.

At Las Vegas in March, Gibbs spun Ryan Sieg early in the Xfinity Series race, which led to a conversation on pit road between the two during a rain delay, and then more contact between the two when racing resumed. At Richmond two races ago, Gibbs bumped his way past teammate John Hunter Nemechek to win the race.

“If you’re going to race a certain way, you got to expect to be raced that way back,” Logano said of Gibbs. “That’s the driver code that nobody can understand. That’s it. If you’re willing to push, then you’ve got to be willing to take some pushes. That’s what it comes down to. If you’re willing to push for a win, and someone is willing to push for \$100,000 behind you, (it’s) one for the other at that point.”

## Title IX has not meant equality for high school girls sports

By **JACOB RICHMAN**  
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COLLEGE PARK, Md. (AP) — Title IX was designed in part to balance the scales for girls and boys in school-based athletics. Some day, maybe it will.

Nearly 50 years after Congress passed the sweeping law that guarantees equity in “any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance,” including high school athletics, girls are stuck in an imperfect system that continues to favor boys.

In schools across the country, boys’ teams wear nicer uniforms, play on better fields, are led by more experienced coaches, have their practices scheduled at more desirable times, play with newer equipment and dress in better-equipped locker rooms. All are potential violations of Title IX.

“We still estimate that the majority of schools are likely out of compliance with the law,” said Sarah Axelson, vice president of advocacy at the Women’s Sports Foundation.

A four-month investigation by The Shirley Povich Center for Sports Journalism and the Howard Center for Investigative Journalism at the University of Maryland found that:

— While Title IX has made a difference — girls’ participation in high school sports rose from 7% to 43% in the last 50 years — it is still not equal.

— The U.S. Department of Education collects minimal data about how many girls and boys are playing sports. The information that is collected and would confirm compliance with parts of the law is deeply flawed.

— The onus to report violations of Title IX is often left to teenagers and their parents, who know little about the law.

— Enforcement by the Education Department’s Office For Civil Rights is cumbersome and slow-moving. A review of 39 complaints to the civil rights office since 2008 that had both filing and resolution dates showed that it took an average of 700 days to resolve the cases. That means girls who suffered unequal treatment often graduated before they saw results.

As a result, serious questions remain about how many of the 3.4 million girls playing high school sports have experienced violations of Title IX that went unaddressed.

The centers found that violations have affected girls across the country.

In Union City, New Jersey, a highly publicized athletic field that sits on the roof of a \$180 million high school building was mostly used by boys’ teams. For

nearly 10 years, access for girls was limited.

In Ewa Beach, Hawaii, girls on the water polo team argued that they had to practice on dry land or in the open ocean before their season because they couldn’t get funding for a pool.

In Ventura, California, girls on the softball team suffered injuries on a field that was poorly maintained, while the boys’ baseball team had a field that was better tended at a higher quality stadium.

“Most of these athletes just presume that there must be a reason that they’re getting second-class treatment,” three-time Olympic gold medalist Nancy Hogshhead-Makar said. “In high school, in junior high school, in college, men are getting more.”

When girls see that they’re getting worse treatment, their options include challenging their coach or principal, filing a lawsuit or lodging a complaint with the federal Education Department — all daunting for a teenager and their family. When parents step forward to report, they’re often at the center of disputes that can roil their child’s school.

In the late 1970s, Ellen Zavian — the first female agent licensed by the National Football League Players’ Association and a Title IX advocate — wanted to play soccer in high school. But she was told she wouldn’t be able to because there was only a boys’ team.

“If I had known about Title IX, I definitely would have filed a suit against my school when I didn’t have the opportunity to play soccer,” Zavian said. “But I didn’t know about it.”

That information gap still exists. Grace Saad, a former softball player at Buena High School in Ventura, California, didn’t realize she could do anything after noticing the Buena High baseball team has a stadium, dugouts and a permanent outfield fence with a scoreboard while the softball team often didn’t even have enough softballs to hold batting and fielding practice at the same time.

“I knew that things weren’t equal, but I just thought that’s the way it was,” said Saad, who graduated in 2020.

A University of Maryland-Ipsos national poll of more than 1,000 parents found that 58% of them knew nothing at all about Title IX. What little information they did have came primarily from the internet or news reports, not from their schools.

Courses and webinars in public schools could help inform students, coaches and administrators. But the federal Education Department doesn’t require them.

Title IX compliance covers both “treatment and benefits” and

“participation,” which means that if 60% of the students in a high school are girls, about 60% of athletics opportunities should be for girls.

The law doesn’t mandate that boys’ and girls’ teams have exactly the same of everything. It does require that they receive equal treatment in locker rooms, practice and game venues, scheduling of games and practices, publicity and coaching experience.

If local school officials don’t respond to concerns and a federal complaint is filed, the Education Department’s civil rights office investigates. It can issue a resolution letter with steps the school must take to come into compliance.

At Pentucket Regional High School in West Newbury, Massachusetts, the issue was Twitter.

When the school tweeted live updates from its athletics account, 60% focused on boys’ teams compared to 32% for girls’ teams. After a complaint, the civil rights office required the school to monitor publicity efforts to ensure that any inequalities are corrected.

Going to court over a Title IX violation can be costly and time-consuming. Plaintiffs, even when they prevail, often emerge feeling bruised and exhausted.

In Stillwater, Oklahoma, a group of softball parents filed a Title IX lawsuit against the local school district in August 2020. Ten months later, the parties reached a settlement, but at a price.

“It’s been quite an emotional toll,” said Angela Morgan, a plaintiff in the case and president of the softball team booster club at Stillwater High School. “I think we’ve all lost sleep over it.”

Schools, advocates said, need to fully embrace Title IX and proactively enforce it instead of dumping the responsibility on parents, students and the courts.

“This is not rocket science,” said Peg Pennepacker, the former athletic director and assistant principal who founded High School Title IX Consulting Services. She said K-12 schools “are not really making it a priority. They’re kind of sitting back and ... saying, ‘Well, I’ll wait ‘til someone files a complaint, then I’ll worry about it.’”

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LOCAL KARATE PARTICIPANTS WIN AWARDS



Lewisburg Karate, owned and headed by Sensei Roe Carter, participated in the 20th annual C.T. Patterson Memorial Wado-Ryu Championship in Murfreesboro. With numerous members participating, several members won trophies for Forms and Fighting. Those who competed are (front row, from left) Mason Wright (third-place Fighting); Mia Sikula (third-place Fighting); Camdyn Cook (third-place Forms); Cortez Brown (first-place Fighting); Harper Bagsby (third-place Forms and first-place Fighting); Tianna Weaver (second-place Fighting); Micah Finley (second-place Fighting); and Claire Bagsby (second-place Forms).



Nathan Dunkle, a student of Sensei Carter's, was awarded the Student of the Year for the U. S. Eastern Wado-Ryu Federation. Dunkle started under Mr. Carter in 2013 and holds the rank of second degree black belt. He is a student at Cornersville High School. Pictured are Roe Carter and Nathan Dunkle.



For the second time in the last three years, Lewisburg Wado-Ryu Karate School was the winner of the Single Dojo of the Year Award. Roe Carter and Michael Burgess proudly hold the award which was given in recognition of outstanding service in the best interest and in the highest traditions of the U.S. Eastern Wad-Ryu Katate-Do Federation by producing countless new members and support to our federation.

# Huntland sweeps twinbill vs. Cornersville

**Staff Report**  
**HUNTLAND** — With rains and inclement weather forcing rescheduling, the Cornersville Bulldogs dropped a District 9-A doubleheader on Tuesday afternoon at Huntland, falling 7-6 in Game 1 and 9-0 in Game 2.

**GAME 1**  
 It was a closely-contested first game between the Bulldogs and the Hornets, but ultimately it was a slew of errors in the field that led to a 7-6 Huntland win. RBI doubles by Wesley Pigg and Daniel Sellars put Cornersville up 2-0 in the top of the first inning.

Huntland evened the score in the bottom of the frame with a pair of runs and took the lead with two more in the bottom of third inning.

Tanner Mullins got one back for the Bulldogs when he scored on a Bryce Woodard fielder's choice in the top of the third.

Cornersville eventually tied the game with a three-spot in the top of the sixth inning. Mullins singled to right to lead off and was followed on base with a Peyton Cherry single and a Beau Schillig walk.

Mullins eventually scored the first run of the inning when Blaine Woodard was hit by a pitch with the bases loaded. Mason Callahan then drove in a pair of runs on a 2 RBI single to left, tying the game at six apiece.

But as the fates would have it, Huntland was able to orchestrate a little late-game magic and in dramatic fashion, connected on the walk-off

RBI single with two outs in the bottom of the seventh. Pigg and Sellars recorded the only extra base hits for the Bulldog, with Callahan's 2 RBI game being the top run-producer.

Mullins got the nod and pitched five innings for Cornersville. He gave up six runs on nine hits, but struck out five before turning the mound over to Beau Shillig. Shillig pitched the final 1 2/3 innings and allowed just one unearned run on three hits.

**GAME 2**  
 Not much went Cornersville's way in Game 2 on Tuesday afternoon as the Hornets were able to score in six of the seven innings and take a 9-0 win over the Bulldogs.

Huntland plated one run in the first and second inning before doubling up the Bulldogs with a two-spot in the third.

After a scoreless fourth, Huntland drove in one more run in the fifth and sixth innings before closing the game by knocking in three more.

In total, Huntland connected on 11 hits against the Bulldogs, while Cornersville was held to just three hits—singles by Mullins, Shillig and Woodard.

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 Cornersville 000 000 0 — 0 3 4  
 Cornersville: Tanner Mullins 1-for-2, Beau Schillig 1-for-2, Bryce Woodard 1-for-2.  
 WP: Jackson  
 LP: Gann

# Lady Bulldogs drop heartbreaker to Eagleville

**By Dennis Holley**  
 Sports Writer  
**CORNERSVILLE** — The early spring weather just seems to be plotting against the Cornersville High School Lady Bulldogs.

On Monday, the Lady Bulldogs bested Fayetteville City but Tuesday and Wednesday games were called off due to the weather and on Thursday with dark skies and a cold wind blowing District 9-A foe, the Eagleville Eagles, came to the home field in Cornersville for an important softball game.

The Lady Bulldogs fell behind early, staged a comeback in the fifth inning to tie the game then lost a heartbreaker in the eighth inning, 6-5.

The Lady Bulldogs were led by Jayli Childress, pitching a complete game, plus driving in three runs in the crucial fifth inning to tie the game.

Childress also was aboard when Alicia Polk drilled a ball off the Eagleville second baseman's glove to score Anna Wood and Childress for the go ahead runs.

Eagleville was led by Addi Linton, who pitched a complete game, striking out 14 Lady Bulldogs as Brinli Bain, went 3-for-4, slamming a two-run home run and driving in three runs.

Bain led off the first inning for Eagleville with a solid base hit to centerfield but was erased when Linton hit into a fielder's choice.

Bella Bain then followed with a base hit to left field sending Linton third base, where she scored on a double by Rylee Warbritton to put the Eagles up 1-0.

The Lady Eagles struck again in the top of the second inning when Sarah Thompson, with two outs, lashed a single to right field and Bain followed with a drive over the left-centerfield fence to boost the Eagleville lead to 3-0.

Linton was cruising through the Lady Bulldog lineup until the fifth inning when after one out Cora Duke, Alisha Price and Anna Wood got aboard to load the bases.

Childress then cleared the bases with a line drive to the center-right field fence. Cornersville placed two more runners on to re-load the bases, but Linton bore down to strike out the next two batters.

At the end of the fifth inning, Cornersville had tied the game, 3-3.

Eagleville responded in the top of the sixth when Warbritton doubled and came home when with two outs, pinch hitter Adler Buchanan, drilled a single to centerfield to put the Eagles back in front, 4-3.

The Bulldogs were not deterred, with two outs Wood and Childress singled, Polk then followed with a wicked smash to second base that careened off the Eagles' second baseman's glove and both Cornersville runners scampered home to put the Lady Bulldog in front for the first time 5-4.

Eagleville responded in the top of the seventh when Zoe Ellis led off with a single to left field and moved to third on two infield outs, she came around when Brinli Bain drilled a single to left, her third RBI, to tie the game at 5-5.

The bottom of the seventh saw Cornersville's Hannah Moore

get aboard with a base-on-balls but Linton again bore down and held the Lady Bulldogs and extra innings would be needed to decide the game now tied at 5-5.

Bella Bain for Eagleville began the top of the eighth with a Cornersville error and moved to second base.

Eagleville's Warbritton followed with a single to left field and Bain rounded third base looking to score but the relay from Zoe Blackwell to Polk to Wood nailed the runner at home with Warbritton gaining second on the throw.

Ellis with a single to left field scored Warbritton and at the middle of the eighth inning Eagleville led 6-5.

Linton held her own and the Lady 'Dawgs went down in order in the bottom of the eighth as Eagleville came away with a 6-5 victory.

"It was exciting ballgame tonight, the kind of game we live for and facing a good pitcher as we did tonight, during practice this week we tried to have the players focus on seeing the ball and hitting good pitches. A game like tonight, where a play one way or the other can make the difference is good for us, we grow from games like this," Cornersville coach Nathan Polk said.

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 Cornersville 000 032 00 — 5 9 1  
 Eagleville: Brinli Bain 3-for-3, Rylee Warbritton 3-for-4, Bella Bain 1-for-4, Zoe Ellis 1-for-3, Sarah Thompson 1-for-3.  
 2B: Warbritton 2.  
 HR: Brinli Bain.  
 Cornersville: Anna Wood 3-for-5, Jayli Childress 2-for-5, Alicia Polk 2-for-4, Emma Ward 1-for-3, Cora Duke 1-for-3.  
 2B: Childress  
 WP: Linton  
 LP: Childress

# Tigers

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 ed one in the first, one in the third and one final run in the

fifth. Marshall County responded with an unearned run in the top of the sixth, but was unable to solve the Falcon pitching staff, who combined for 12 strikeouts against Marshall County.

Marshall County hits the road and travels east this weekend to participate in the Mountain Valley Classic.  
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 WP: Webb  
 LP: Luttrell