

# SPORTS

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## OPINION

# 1% of spectators need to step up or shut up

For those who follow the Manistee News Advocate, you're probably well aware of the current referee shortage plaguing prep sports.

As a former high school athlete and a current award-winning sports writer and photographer, I was curious as to how bad this issue was. When I finally saw the research, I was left speechless. Since my senior year of high school in 2012, referees leaving prep sports became as common as a sorority girl posting a photo of her overpriced plate of sushi to her Instagram profile.

Before I go further, I want to make one thing crystal clear: What I say next is solely toward 1% of spectators. This is not for every spectator because not every spectator acts out of line. So, to the 1% of spectators, let me start with a question.

Does verbally and emotionally berating a referee legitimately bring you joy?

Do you honestly enjoy paying \$5 to watch your child play a game and scream at a human being who's attempting to help your child play the game the right way?



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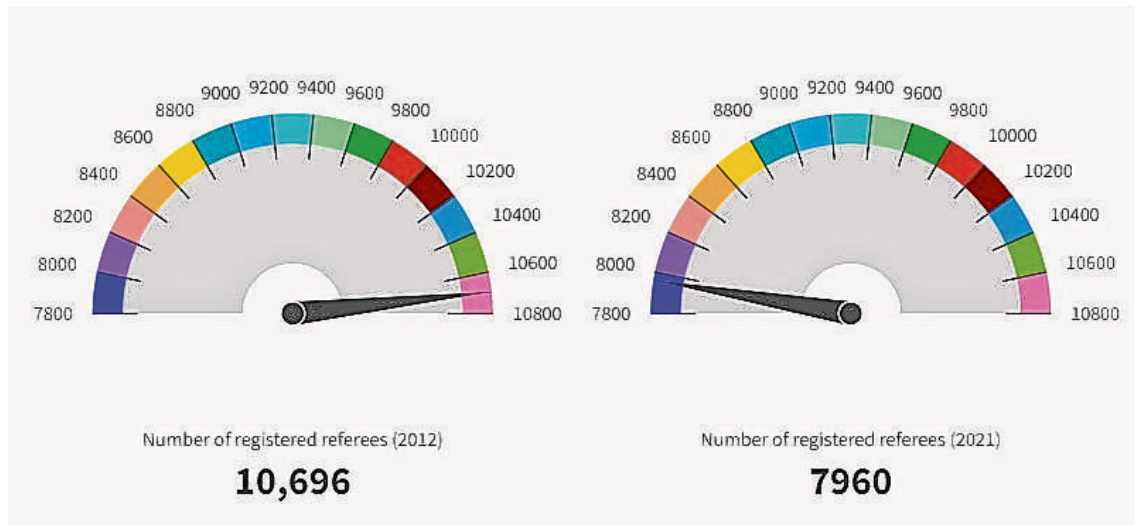
As someone who's attended a fair number of sporting events in my 16 months here, I've heard nearly everything said toward officials. More times than not, I go home disappointed in spectators' behavior.

I've heard adults blame "the f— refs" for their son or daughter's team losing. To make matters worse, I heard the same three words be uttered by a child no more than 10 years old.

Is this the precedent you want to set for future generations? Is this the way you want not only the opposition's fans, but your child's friends to remember you?

I get it, referees miss calls. I can attest to that.

Let me take you back to 2012, my senior year of high school football. In week 2, which happened to fall on my dad's 50th birthday, I laid a kid out. It was a trap play, I stepped to my right at a 45 degree angle and hit the other team's nose



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### The number of registered referees between 2012 and 2021

tackle so hard that his helmet flew off his head and soared three yards down field.

We played that team again week 9. I fired off the line of scrimmage and blocked the same kid I laid out seven weeks prior, who happened to move to linebacker. As I went to block him, he grabbed me by my head, grasped one of his hands around my facemask and ripped my helmet off.

All this occurred in front of

one of the referees. He saw everything unfold. His words to me were as simple as they were infuriating.

"You're helmet came off. You're out a play, go to the sidelines."

So I sat out a play. My coaches were left appalled at what transpired.

Was I furious at the time? Oh hell yes.

But referees are human. They don't see everything.

Perfection as a referee is impossible.

I disagreed with the referee's decision to not throw a flag for a facemask penalty. However, at no point was I disrespectful toward said referee.

It's one thing to disagree with a referee's call. Our country was founded because we disagreed with somebody. Disagreeing is a normal aspect of life.

*Referees continues on B2*

## BASEBALL

# Wheeler, Clemens lead Phillies to 5th straight win

By Aaron Bracy  
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PHILADELPHIA — Zack Wheeler took a no-hitter into the eighth inning, Kody Clemens came through with a game-ending single and the Philadelphia Phillies rallied past the Detroit Tigers 3-2 on Thursday night for their fifth victory in a row.

Brandon Marsh tied it in the ninth with a bases-loaded sacrifice fly for the defending NL champion Phillies (30-32).

"These guys never quit," Wheeler said.

Nick Maton hit a go-ahead single in the top of the ninth after Tyler Nevin broke up Wheeler's no-hit bid with one out in the eighth for the Tigers, who lost their sixth straight and eighth in the last nine.

Bryce Harper led off the bottom of the ninth with a double off Alex Lange (3-2), and Trea Turner walked. After J.T. Realmuto struck out, Bryson Stott loaded the bases with an infield single. Marsh tied it on a liner to deep left field before Clemens laced a 96 mph sinker into right to score Turner from second.

"It was amazing," Clemens said. "Got a good pitch to hit and put a good swing on it."

Clemens' dad, Roger, the seven-time Cy Young Award winner, watched from the stands. Afterward, he tweeted: "Yes sir!" He added a flex and fire emoji.

"He was probably as locked into the game as much as I was," Kody Clemens said.

The game originally was scheduled for Wednesday night but was postponed due to poor air quality caused by smoke from Canadian wildfires. The smoky smell that was present the previous two days in Philadelphia dissipated, and the sky became more clear as the game went on.

Wheeler retired Akil Baddoo on a grounder to begin the eighth. Jonathan Schoop then hit a chopper to third baseman Josh Harrison, and Clemens couldn't hold onto Harrison's one-hop throw to first that would've had Schoop. Harrison was charged with a throwing error.

## GIRLS SOFTBALL



File Photo

Carly Bennett reaches third base against Manistee during the 2022 season.

# Hart, Bennett earn All-Conference honors

By Mitch Vosburg  
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The Northwest Conference named its All-Conference selections for the 2023 season.

For Onekama, two members earned a place on the honorable mention team.

Freshman Hailey Hart played second base during her eighth grade season on varsity in 2022. In 2023, she was tasked with being the Portagers workhorse from the pitchers circle.

"She was very poised in the circle," coach Rob Johnson said. "Early on in the season we talked about the defense behind her was young and probably capable of making some mistakes. I told her that she couldn't let that bother her when they did make that mistake behind her, that she had to stay focused on what she was doing in the circle, just worry about the batters and not to try to get outside of herself. Pitch-



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Onekama freshman Hailey Hart (left) chats with coach Rob Johnson after reaching third base against Frankfort on June 2 at Brookes Field in Frankfort.

ers need to stay within themselves. I thought she was very mature (in the circle) this year."

Senior Carly Bennett spent a majority of her time playing

first base, earning conference and district accolades in the process. In 2023, she made the move to second base without hesitation.

"She was more focused on

what it would do for the team," Johnson said of Bennett's decision to switch positions. "That was big of her (as a person) to do that. I think it's good for her to get recognized."



# SCOREBOARD

## Baseball

AMERICAN LEAGUE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Tampa Bay	46	19	.708	—
Baltimore	38	24	.613	6 1/2
New York	37	27	.578	8 1/2
Toronto	36	28	.563	9 1/2
Boston	31	32	.492	14
Central				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Minnesota	31	32	.492	—
Cleveland	29	33	.468	1 1/2
Chicago	28	36	.438	3 1/2
Detroit	26	34	.433	3 1/2
Kansas City	18	44	.290	12 1/2
West				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	40	21	.656	—
Houston	36	27	.571	5
Los Angeles	34	30	.531	7 1/2
Seattle	30	31	.492	10
Oakland	14	50	.219	27 1/2

NATIONAL LEAGUE				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	38	24	.613	—
Miami	35	28	.556	3 1/2
Philadelphia	30	32	.484	8
New York	30	33	.476	8 1/2
Washington	25	36	.410	12 1/2
Central				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Milwaukee	34	29	.540	—
Pittsburgh	32	29	.525	1
Cincinnati	29	34	.460	5
Chicago	26	36	.419	7 1/2
St. Louis	26	37	.413	8
West				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Arizona	37	25	.597	—
Los Angeles	36	27	.571	1 1/2
San Francisco	32	30	.516	5
San Diego	29	33	.468	8
Colorado	26	38	.406	12

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**  
**Thursday's Games**  
 Tampa Bay 4, Minnesota 2  
 Baltimore 6, Milwaukee 3  
 Chicago White Sox 6, N.Y. Yankees 5, 1st game  
 Philadelphia 3, Detroit 2  
 N.Y. Yankees 3, Chicago White Sox 0, 2nd game  
 Toronto 3, Houston 2  
 Cleveland 10, Boston 3  
 L.A. Angels 3, Chicago Cubs 1  
**Friday's Games**  
 Arizona at Detroit, 6:40 p.m.  
 Texas at Tampa Bay, 6:40 p.m.  
 Boston at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05 p.m.  
 Kansas City at Baltimore, 7:05 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Toronto, 7:07 p.m.  
 Houston at Cleveland, 7:10 p.m.  
 Miami at Chicago White Sox, 8:10 p.m.  
 Oakland at Milwaukee, 8:10 p.m.  
 Seattle at L.A. Angels, 9:38 p.m.  
**Saturday's Games**  
 Arizona (Nelson 2-3) at Detroit (Boyd 3-4), 1:10 p.m.  
 Miami (Alcantara 2-5) at Chicago White Sox (Kopech 3-5), 2:10 p.m.  
 Minnesota (Ryan 7-3) at Toronto (TBD), 3:07 p.m.  
 Kansas City (Singer 4-4) at Baltimore (TBD), 4:05 p.m.  
 Oakland (Blackburn 0-0) at Milwaukee (Teheran 1-2), 4:10 p.m.  
 Texas (Eovaldi 8-2) at Tampa Bay (Bradley 4-2), 4:10 p.m.  
 Houston (France 1-1) at Cleveland (McKenzie 0-0), 6:10 p.m.  
 Boston (Houck 3-5) at N.Y. Yankees (Gerrán 3-3), 7:35 p.m.  
 Seattle (Woo 0-1) at L.A. Angels (Sandoval 3-5), 10:07 p.m.  
**Sunday's Games**  
 Arizona at Detroit, 11:35 a.m.  
 Kansas City at Baltimore, 1:35 p.m.  
 Minnesota at Toronto, 1:37 p.m.  
 Houston at Cleveland, 1:40 p.m.  
 Texas at Tampa Bay, 1:40 p.m.  
 Miami at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m.  
 Oakland at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m.  
 Seattle at L.A. Angels, 4:07 p.m.  
 Boston at N.Y. Yankees, 7:10 p.m.

Cincinnati at St. Louis, 8:15 p.m.  
 San Diego at Colorado, 8:40 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, 10:15 p.m.  
**Saturday's Games**  
 Arizona (Nelson 2-3) at Detroit (Boyd 3-4), 1:10 p.m.  
 Miami (Alcantara 2-5) at Chicago White Sox (Kopech 3-5), 2:10 p.m.  
 Cincinnati (Abbott 1-0) at St. Louis (Mikolas 4-2), 2:15 p.m.  
 San Diego (Weathers 1-4) at Colorado (Freeland 4-7), 3:10 p.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers (Miller 2-0) at Philadelphia (Nola 5-4), 4:05 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets (Senga 5-3) at Pittsburgh (Oviedo 3-4), 4:05 p.m.  
 Oakland (Blackburn 0-0) at Milwaukee (Teheran 1-2), 4:10 p.m.  
 Washington (Gore 3-4) at Atlanta (Shuster 2-2), 4:10 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs (Hendricks 0-2) at San Francisco (TBD), 7:35 p.m.  
**Sunday's Games**  
 Arizona at Detroit, 11:35 a.m.  
 L.A. Dodgers at Philadelphia, 1:35 p.m.  
 N.Y. Mets at Pittsburgh, 1:35 p.m.  
 Washington at Atlanta, 1:35 p.m.  
 Miami at Chicago White Sox, 2:10 p.m.  
 Oakland at Milwaukee, 2:10 p.m.  
 Cincinnati at St. Louis, 2:15 p.m.  
 San Diego at Colorado, 3:10 p.m.  
 Chicago Cubs at San Francisco, 4:05 p.m.

**College baseball**  
**NCAA Division I Baseball**  
*Best of Three; x-if necessary;*  
**SUPER REGIONALS**  
**Host school is Game 1 home team; visiting school is Game 2 home team; coin flip determines Game 3 home team**  
*At Winston-Salem, N.C.*  
 Saturday, June 10: Wake Forest (50-10) vs. Alabama (43-19), noon  
 Sunday, June 11: Wake Forest vs. Alabama, TBD  
 x-Monday, June 12: Wake Forest vs. Alabama, TBD  
*At Stanford, Calif.*  
 Saturday, June 10: Stanford (42-17) vs. Texas (41-20), 6 p.m.  
 Sunday, June 11: Stanford vs. Texas, TBD  
 x-Monday, June 12: Stanford vs. Texas, TBD  
*At Baton Rouge, La.*  
 Saturday, June 10: LSU (46-15) vs. Kentucky (40-19), 3 p.m.  
 Sunday, June 11: LSU vs. Kentucky, TBD  
 x-Monday, June 12: LSU vs. Kentucky, TBD  
*At Hattiesburg, Miss.*  
 Saturday, June 10: Tennessee (41-19) vs. Southern Miss. (45-18), 3 p.m.  
 Sunday, June 11: Tennessee vs. Southern Miss., TBD  
 x-Monday, June 12: Tennessee vs. Southern Miss., TBD  
*At Gainesville, Fla.*  
 Friday, June 9: Florida (48-15) vs. South Carolina (42-19), 6 p.m.  
 Saturday, June 10: Florida vs. South Carolina, 3 p.m.  
 x-Sunday, June 11: Florida vs. South Carolina, TBD  
*At Charlottesville, Va.*  
 Duke 5, Virginia 4  
 Saturday, June 10: Virginia vs. Duke, noon  
 x-Sunday, June 11: Virginia vs. Duke, TBD  
*At Eugene, Ore.*  
 Friday, June 9: Oral Roberts (49-11) vs. Oregon (40-20), 8 p.m.  
 Saturday, June 10: Oral Roberts vs. Oregon, 9 p.m.  
 x-Sunday, June 11: Oral Roberts vs. Oregon, TBD  
*At Fort Worth, Texas*  
 Friday, June 9: Indiana St. (45-15) vs. TCU (40-22), 5 p.m.  
 Saturday, June 10: Indiana St. vs. TCU, 6 p.m.  
 x-Sunday, June 11: Indiana St. vs. TCU, TBD

**Finals**  
*Best-of-7; x-if necessary*  
**Saturday, June 3**  
 Vegas 5, Florida 2  
**Monday, June 5**  
 Vegas 2, Florida 2  
**Thursday, June 8**  
 Florida 3, Vegas 2, OT, Vegas leads series 2-1  
**Saturday, June 10**  
 Vegas at Florida, 8 p.m.  
**Tuesday, June 13**  
 Florida at Vegas, 8 p.m.  
**Friday, June 16**  
 x-Vegas at Florida, TBA  
**Monday, June 19**  
 x-Florida at Vegas, TBA

**CINCINNATI REDS:** Placed RHP Graham Ashcraft on the 15-day IL. Sent IB Wil Myers to Louisville (IL) on a rehab assignment. Recalled RHPs Ricky Karcher and Joel Kuhnel from Louisville.  
**PITTSBURGH PIRATES:** Recalled OF Ganaan Smith-Njigba from Indianapolis (IL). Designated RHP Chase De Jong for assignment.  
**Minor League Baseball**  
**Atlantic League**  
**LONG ISLAND DUCKS:** Reinstated C Chance Sisco to the active roster. Released INF Edward Salcedo.  
**FOOTBALL**  
**NFL**  
**MINNESOTA VIKINGS:** Released RB Dalvin Cook.  
**TENNESSE TITANS:** Named Sarah Bailely director of football research and development.  
**HOCKEY**  
**NHL**  
**NEW JERSEY DEVILS:** Traded D Damon Severson to Columbus in exchange for a third-round 2023 draft pick.  
**SOCCER**

BASKETBALL				
WNBA				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Connecticut	7	2	.778	—
New York	4	2	.667	1 1/2
Chicago	5	3	.625	1 1/2
Washington	3	3	.500	2 1/2
Atlanta	2	3	.400	3
Indiana	1	5	.167	4 1/2
WESTERN				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Las Vegas	7	1	.875	—
Dallas	4	3	.571	2 1/2
Los Angeles	3	3	.500	3
Seattle	1	4	.200	4 1/2
Phoenix	1	4	.200	4 1/2
Minnesota	1	6	.143	5 1/2

**Thursday's Games**  
 Connecticut 94, Las Vegas 77  
**Friday's Games**  
 New York at Atlanta, 7:30 p.m.  
 Indiana at Minnesota, 8 p.m.  
 Phoenix at Dallas, 8 p.m.  
 Chicago at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.  
 Washington at Seattle, 10 p.m.  
**Saturday's Games**  
 No games scheduled.  
**Sunday's Games**  
 Dallas at New York, 1 p.m.  
 Chicago at Las Vegas, 3 p.m.  
 Washington at Seattle, 3 p.m.  
 Connecticut at Atlanta, 4 p.m.  
 Phoenix at Indiana, 5 p.m.  
 Los Angeles at Minnesota, 7 p.m.  
**Monday's Games**  
 No games scheduled.

**Transactions**  
**Friday**  
**BASEBALL**  
**MLB**  
**American League**  
**NORTHWEST ORIOLES:** Recalled LHP Nick Vespi from Norfolk (IL). Optioned LHP Bruce Zimmerman to Norfolk.  
**BOSTON RED SOX:** Agreed to terms with RHP Brian Rijo on a minor league contract.  
**CHICAGO WHITE SOX:** Optioned LHP Tanner Banks to Charlotte (IL).  
**DETROIT TIGERS:** Sent OF Matt Vierling to Toledo (IL) on a rehab assignment. Transferred RHP Spencer Turnbull from the 15-day IL to the 60-day IL. Claimed 2B Nick Solak off waivers from Atlanta and optioned him to Louisville.  
**HOUSTON ASTROS:** Placed OF Yordan Alvarez on the 10-day IL.  
**MINNESOTA TWINS:** Placed LHP Caleb Thielbar on the 15-day IL, retroactive to June 6. Recalled RHP Josh Winders from St. Paul (IL).  
**NEW YORK YANKEES:** Optioned RHP Randy Vasquez to Scranton/Wilkes-Barre (IL).  
**OAKLAND ATHLETICS — Sent RHP Freddy Tarnok to the Arizona Complex League (ACL) on a rehab assignment.**  
**TORONTO BLUE JAYS:** Reinstated RHP Mitch White from the 60-day IL. Designated RHP Anthony Bass for assignment. Sent C Danny Jansen to Buffalo (IL) on a rehab assignment.  
**National League**

**SPORTS ON TV**  
*Schedule subject to change and/or blackouts*  
**Saturday, June 10**  
**AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL**  
 5 a.m.: FS2 — AFL: Richmond at Fremantle  
**AUTO RACING**  
 3 p.m.: FSI — NASCAR Xfinity Series: Qualifying, Sonoma Raceway, Sonoma, Calif.  
 5 p.m.: FS2 — NASCAR Cup Series: Qualifying, Sonoma Raceway, Sonoma, Calif.  
 8 p.m.: FSI — NASCAR Xfinity Series: The DoorDash 250, Sonoma Raceway, Sonoma, Calif.  
 10:30 p.m.: FSI — NHRA: The NHRA New England Nationals, Bristol Dragway, Bristol, Tenn. (Taped)  
**BOXING**  
 10 p.m.: ESPN — Top Rank Main Card: Teofimo Lopez vs. Josh Taylor (Junior Welterweights), New York  
**CFL FOOTBALL**  
 7 p.m.: CBSN — Ottawa at Montreal  
**COLLEGE BASEBALL**  
 12 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: Alabama at Wake Forest, Super Regional, Game 1  
 12 p.m.: ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament: Virginia vs. Duke, Super Regional, Game 2, Charlottesville, Va.  
 3 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: Kentucky at LSU, Super Regional, Game 1  
 3 p.m.: ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament: Florida vs. South Carolina, Super Regional, Game 2, Gainesville, Fla.  
 3 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: Tennessee at Southern Miss, Super Regional, Game 1  
 6 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: Texas at Stanford, Super Regional, Game 1  
 6 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: Indiana St. at TCU, Super Regional, Game 2  
 9 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: Oregon vs. Oral Roberts, Super Regional, Game 2, Eugene, Ore.  
**COLLEGE TRACK AND FIELD**  
 9 p.m.: ESPN2 — NCAA Outdoor Track & Field Championships: Women's Day 2, Austin, Texas  
**FISHING**  
 1 p.m.: CBSN — SFC: The Gulf Coast Billfish Classic, Day 3, Biloxi, Miss.  
**GOLF**  
 7:30 a.m.: GOLF — DP World Tour/Ladies European Tour Mixed: The Volvo Car Scandinavian, Third Round, Ulina G&CC, Å, Jersberg, Sweden  
 2:30 p.m.: GOLF — PGA Tour: The RBC Canadian Open, Third Round, Oakdale Golf & Country Club, Toronto  
 5:30 p.m.: CBS — PGA Tour: The RBC Canadian Open, Third Round, Oakdale Golf & Country Club, Toronto  
 5:30 p.m.: GOLF — LPGA Tour: The ShopRite LPGA Classic, Second Round, Stockton Seaview Hotel and Golf Club - Bay Course, Galloway, N.J.  
 8:30 p.m.: GOLF — PGA Tour Champions: The American Family Insurance Championship, Second Round, University Ridge Golf Course, Madison, Wis. (Taped)  
 10:30 a.m.: GOLF — Korn Ferry Tour: The BMW Charity Pro-Am, Third Round, Thornblade Club, Greenville, S.C. (Taped)

**HORSE RACING**  
 11 a.m.: FSI — NYRA: America's Day at the Races  
 3 p.m.: FOX — America's Day at the Belmont: From Belmont Park, Elmont, N.Y.  
 4 p.m.: FOX — Belmont Day: From Belmont Park, Elmont, N.Y.  
 4 p.m.: FSI — America's Day at the Belmont: From Belmont Park, Elmont, N.Y.  
 6:30 p.m.: FOX — The 155th Belmont Stakes: From Belmont Park, Elmont, N.Y.  
 6:30 p.m.: FSI — America's Day at the Belmont: From Belmont Park, Elmont, N.Y.  
 7:30 p.m.: FS2 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races  
**LACROSSE (MEN'S)**  
 3 p.m.: ABC — PLL: Whipsnakes vs. Atlas, Charlotte, N.C.  
**MIXED MARTIAL ARTS**  
 7 p.m.: ESPN — UFC 289 Early Prelims: Undercard Bouts, Vancouver, British Columbia  
 8 p.m.: ESPN — UFC 289 Prelims: Undercard Bouts, Vancouver, British Columbia  
**MLB BASEBALL**  
 4 p.m.: MLB — Regional Coverage: LA Dodgers at Philadelphia OR Texas at Tampa Bay  
 7:30 p.m.: FOX — Regional Coverage: Boston at NY Yankees OR Chicago Cubs at San Francisco  
 10:30 p.m.: MLB — Regional Coverage: Seattle at LA Angels (Joined in Progress)  
**NHL HOCKEY**  
 8 p.m.: TBS — Stanley Cup Final: Vegas at Florida, Game 4  
 8 p.m.: TNT — Stanley Cup Final: Vegas at Florida, Game 4  
 8 p.m.: TRUTV — Stanley Cup Final: Vegas at Florida, Game 4  
**RUGBY (MEN'S)**  
 8 p.m.: F52 — MLR: New York at Rugby ATL  
 2 a.m. (Sunday): FS2 — NRL: Cronulla-Sutherland at Melbourne  
**SOCCER (MEN'S)**  
 3 p.m.: CBS — UEFA Champions League: Manchester City vs. Inter Milan, Final, Istanbul  
**TENNIS**  
 5 a.m.: TENNIS — Junior Girls' and Boys' Finals  
 6 a.m.: TENNIS — Junior Girls' and Boys' Finals  
 9 a.m.: NBC — WTA: The French Open, Final, Paris  
 5:30 a.m. (Sunday): TENNIS — WTA: The French Open, Doubles Final, Paris  
 6 a.m. (Sunday): TENNIS — WTA: The French Open, Doubles Final, Paris

**TRACK AND FIELD**  
 1 p.m.: CNBC — IAAF World Athletics Diamond League: The Meeting de Paris, Paris (Taped)  
**USFL FOOTBALL**  
 12 p.m.: FOX — Michigan vs. Pittsburgh, Canton, Ohio  
 2 a.m. (Monday): NBC — New Orleans at Memphis  
**Sunday, June 11**  
**AUSTRALIAN RULES FOOTBALL**  
 1 a.m. (Monday): FSI — AFL: Collingwood at Melbourne  
**AUTO RACING**  
 12:30 p.m.: FSI — FIM Motocross: The MX2, Teutschenthal, Germany  
 11 a.m.: CBSN — FIM Motocross: The MXGP, Teutschenthal, Germany  
 12:30 p.m.: FSI — NHRA: Qualifying, Bristol Dragway, Bristol, Tenn. (Taped)  
 1:30 p.m.: CNBC — FIM MotoGP: The Gran Premio d'Italia Oakley, Scarpperia e San Piero Fi, Italy (Taped)  
 3:30 p.m.: FOX — NASCAR Cup Series: The Toyota/Save Mart 350, Sonoma Raceway, Sonoma, Calif.  
 7 p.m.: FSI — NHRA: The NHRA Thunder Valley Nationals, Bristol Dragway, Bristol, Tenn. (Taped)  
 2 a.m. (Monday): CNBC — AMA Pro Motocross: Round 3, Lakewood, Colo. (Taped)  
**COLLEGE BASEBALL**  
 12 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: TBD, Super Regional  
 12 p.m.: ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament: TBD, Super Regional  
 3 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: TBD, Super Regional  
 3 p.m.: ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament: TBD, Super Regional  
 6 p.m.: ESPN — NCAA Tournament: TBD, Super Regional  
 6 p.m.: ESPN2 — NCAA Tournament: TBD, Super Regional  
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**CYCLING**  
 7 a.m.: CNBC — UCI: The Critérium du Dauphiné, Stage 8, 166 miles, Le Pont-De-Claix to La Bastille, France  
**GOLF**  
 7:30 a.m.: GOLF — DP World Tour/Ladies European Tour Mixed: The Volvo Car Scandinavian, Final Round, Ulina G&CC, Å, Jersberg, Sweden  
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**HORSE RACING**  
 1 p.m.: FS2 — NYRA: America's Day at the Races  
 3 p.m.: FSI — NYRA: America's Day at the Races  
**MLB BASEBALL**  
 11:35 a.m.: PEACOCK — Arizona at Detroit  
 1:30 p.m.: MLB — Regional Coverage: LA Dodgers at Philadelphia OR Houston at Cleveland  
 4:30 p.m.: MLB — Regional Coverage: Seattle at LA Angels OR Chicago Cubs at San Francisco (Joined in Progress)  
 7 p.m.: ESPN — Cubs at NY Yankees  
**SOCCER (MEN'S)**  
 1 p.m.: FOX — MLS: LA Galaxy at St. Louis City SC  
 4:45 p.m.: FS2 — FIFA U-20 World Cup: Uruguay vs. Italy, Final, La Plata, Argentina  
 7 p.m.: FS2 — FIFA U-20 World Cup: Israel vs. South Korea, Third-Place Match, La Plata, Argentina (Taped)  
 10 p.m.: FSI — MLS: FC Dallas at Portland  
**SOCCER (WOMEN'S)**  
 7 p.m.: CBSN — NWSL: Portland FC at Orlando  
**TENNIS**  
 5:30 a.m.: TENNIS — WTA: The French Open, Doubles Final, Paris  
 6 a.m.: TENNIS — WTA: The French Open, Doubles Final, Paris  
 9 a.m.: NBC — ATP: The French Open, Final, Paris  
 5 a.m. (Monday): TENNIS — Stuttgart-ATP, Nottingham-WTA, s-Hertogenbosch-ATP/WTA Early Rounds  
 6 a.m. (Monday): TENNIS — Stuttgart-ATP, Nottingham-WTA, s-Hertogenbosch-ATP/WTA Early Rounds  
**USFL FOOTBALL**  
 2 p.m.: NBC — Birmingham vs. Houston, Memphis, Tenn.  
 7 p.m.: FOX — Philadelphia vs. New Jersey, Canton, Ohio  
**WNBA BASKETBALL**  
 1 p.m.: ABC — Dallas at New York  
 3 p.m.: ABC — Washington at Seattle  
 5 p.m.: CBSN — Phoenix at Indiana

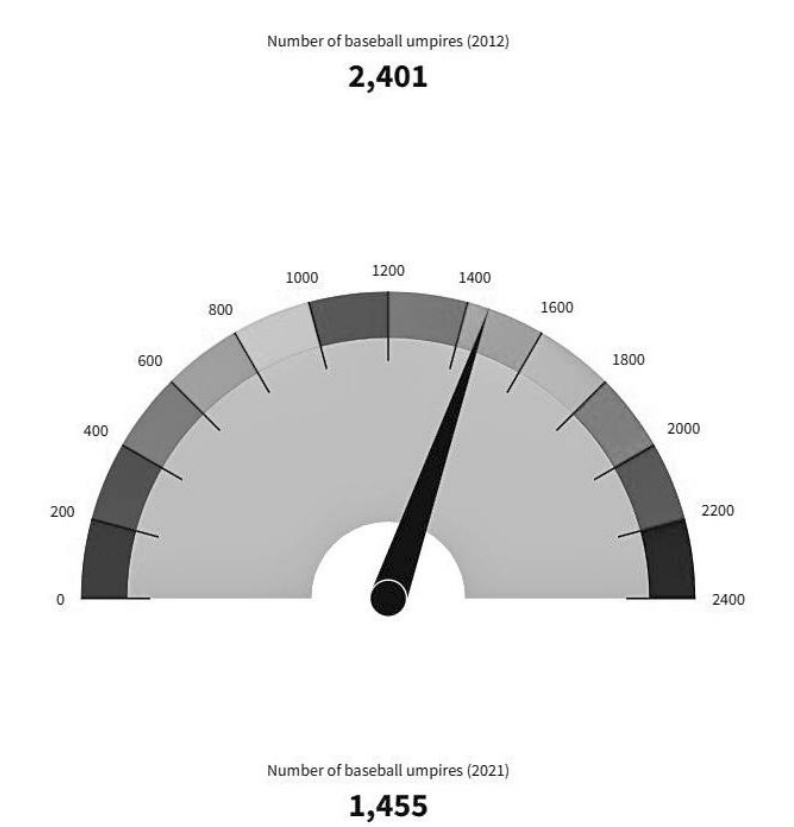
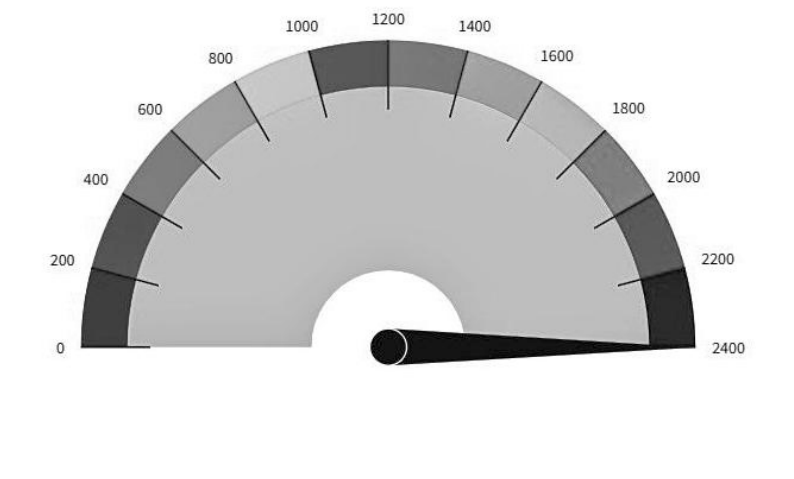
**On this date**  
**June 10**  
 1890: The Peckness Stakes is run outside Baltimore, at Morris Park in New York. The race is then suspended for three years, and resumes at the Brooklyn Jockey Club's Gravesend Course from 1894-1928.  
 1932: Gene Sarazen leads wire-to-wire to win the British Open by five strokes ahead of Macdonald Smith at Prince's Golf Club in Sandwich, England. Sarazen finishes with a tournament record of 283.  
 1933: Johnny Goodman wins the U.S. Open golf title, making him the last amateur to win this event.  
 1934: Italy beats Czechoslovakia 2-1 in extra time to win the second FIFA World Cup at the Stadio Flaminio in Rome. Italy trailing 1-0, ties the game at the 80th minute. Angelo Schialvo scores the winning goal in extra time.  
 1946: A rare triple dead heat occurs in the Carter Handicap at Aqueduct with Bossuet, Bowline and Wait a Bit crossing the finish line together.  
 1950: Sixteen months after near-fatal car accident, Ben Hogan wins the U.S. Open. Hogan beats Lloyd Mangrum and George Fazio in an 18-hole playoff at the Merion Golf Club in Ardmore, Pa.  
 1968: UEFA European Championship Final. Stadio Olimpico, Rome, Italy. Italy beats Yugoslavia, 2-0 in a replay (first game, 1-1).  
 1973: Mary Mills shoots a 63 in the final round of the LPGA Championship to beat Betty Burfeindt by one stroke.  
 1977: Al Geiberger sets a PGA Championship 18-hole record when he shoots a 59 in the Danny Thomas Classic.  
 1978: Affirmed, ridden by Steve Cauthen, wins the Belmont Stakes to capture the Triple Crown in one of the greatest battles in racing history. Affirmed edges Alydar for the third time.  
 1981: Pete Rose ties Stan Musial's NL record of 3,630 hits.  
 1989: Wayne Gretzky of the Los Angeles Kings is named the NHL's MVP, winning the Hart Trophy for a record ninth time.  
 1995: Trainer D. Wayne Lukas wins a record five straight Triple Crown races as Thunder Gulch takes the Belmont Stakes. Lukas is the first trainer to win the Triple Crown races with two different horses. Lukas' Timber Country won the Preakness.  
 1996: Colorado's Patrick Roy makes 63 saves before Uwe Krupp scores 4:31 into the third overtime to give the Avalanche a 1-0 victory against the Florida Panthers at Miami Arena and complete a four-game sweep of the Stanley Cup Final.  
 2000: Stanley Cup Final, Reunion Arena, Dallas, TX: New Jersey Devils defeat Dallas Stars, 2-1 in double OT for a 4-2 series victory.  
 2006: In Atlantic City, N.J., Bernard Hopkins wins an unanimous decision over light heavyweight champion Antonio Tarver, capping an 18-year career with an upset for the ages.

# REFEREES

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But there's a way to disagree without being disrespectful. And that's the root of the issue.  
 We as a society need to learn how to disagree without being disrespectful. The sooner we discover how to pull that off, the sooner prep sports can heal.  
 If we don't learn how to disagree without being disrespectful, well, that picture is not pretty.  
 Friday night lights enter permanent darkness. Games turn into scrimmages. Any opportunity at a college athletic scholarship gets thrown away.  
 And it's thanks to the unnecessary actions of the 1%.

I get it, you want to see your child do well. But you do not live vicariously through them whenever they step on the court or onto the field. They are not playing because they signed a 10-year, \$500 million contract like a pro athlete, yet every decision made in a game is unnecessarily placed on that pedestal.  
 As a result, adults lose their minds when something they deem wrong transpires. Adults somehow magnify every call in a game, yet 83% of the time I've seen kids care less. They're happy to be playing a game with their friends.  
 See, prep sports offer kids the opportunity to not only play a game, but be part of something greater than themselves. There are valuable life lessons to be learned through sports.  
 For some athletes, it may be the only time where they feel a part of something that resembles a family. It may be the only time they get the chance to build healthy

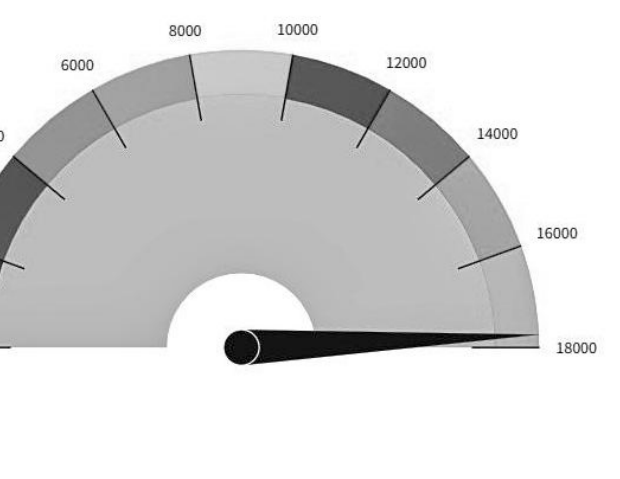


The number of baseball umpires between 2012 and 2021.

habits that can last a lifetime.  
 If this referee shortage isn't contained, all of that goes away.  
 And why is that? Because a group of adults who had their time playing high school sports can't grow up.  
 What makes you so special that you get to enjoy sports during your time in high school, but your kids won't because the referees are sick of your actions?

Because what you're doing doesn't make you "a boss," or "a legend" or "cool." What you're doing is killing prep sports.  
 As someone who found a sense of comfort playing high school football and golf and found his purpose in life thanks to his first job writing prep sports, I have a legitimate problem with these actions. I guarantee you that a majority of the legendary sports writing and broadcasting figures

started by covering prep sports.  
 But more importantly, you are ripping away a safe space for kids who probably need it more than anything. As someone who grew up with a speech impediment and had a hard time making friends, prep sports helped give me purpose a decade ago and today. I do not live the life I do today without prep sports.  
 Enough of your selfish



Graphics by Mitch Vosburg/News Advocate  
**The number of total referees between 2012 and 2021.**

insecurities. It's time to either step up or sit the down and shut up.  
 If prep sports goes extinct it won't be because of the kids. It will be because of 1% of the adults who once played the same games kids are today.  
 Your legacy as parents is on the line here. Do you want to be remembered as the group that kept this beautiful thing we call prep sports alive and well for future gener-

ations, or do you want to be remembered as the selfish cowards who killed it?  
 The ball is in your court. Be better, or the kids will suffer forever.  
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STANLEY CUP

# Panthers rally, top Golden Knights 3-2 in Game 3

By Tim Reynolds  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

SUNRISE, Fla. — Overtime. Season basically on the line. The Florida Panthers keep finding ways to flourish in those moments.

And for the first time, they've won a game in the Stanley Cup Final.

Carter Verhaeghe snapped a wrist from the slot high into the back of the net 4:27 into overtime and the Panthers rallied to beat the Vegas Golden Knights 3-2 on Thursday night in Game 3. Vegas still leads the title series 2-1, but Florida has life and found a way to turn overtime into its favorite time once again.

"We're the Cats," said Verhaeghe, after his fourth career playoff overtime goal. "We have whatever lives we have, but it's awesome. It shows how great our team is and the guys on our team have no quit in them."

The Panthers are 7-0 in these playoffs in OT — actually winning more games in extra sessions than they've won in regulation.

"We don't know how we're going to get there," said Matthew Tkachuk, who tied the game with 2:13 left in regulation. "But we're going to do everything we can to get there."

Tkachuk gave Florida a chance, and the Panthers won their first title-series game in seven tries. Florida had to fend off a power play to start overtime, and Verhaeghe got the winner with Tkachuk providing some traffic in front of the net.

"I had a little bit of time to



Florida Panthers left wing Matthew Tkachuk (19) scores a goal to tie the game during the third period of Game 3 of the NHL hockey Stanley Cup Finals, June 8, in Sunrise, Fla.

Marta Lavandier/Associated Press

walk in and shoot," Verhaeghe said. "I'm so happy it went in."

Game 4 is Saturday night.

"There's a little bit of collective confidence," said Florida coach Paul Maurice, whose teams are 23-7 in overtime games over his playoff career.

Sergei Bobrovsky stopped 25 shots for Florida. Adin Hill made 20 saves for Vegas, but got beat on the only shot that came his way in overtime.

"Normally that's a shot that we're going to give up, get the save and move on," Vegas coach Bruce Cassidy said. "It wasn't like an odd-man rush through the middle so I didn't mind the way we defended it. ... I mean, they've got good players. They're

going to make some plays."

Brandon Montour also scored for Florida, which pulled Bobrovsky down 2-1 late in the third for the extra attacker and Tkachuk — who left for parts of the first and second periods after taking a big hit and needing to be cleared by the NHL's concussion protocol program — made that move pay off when he tied the game.

His goal breathed life into a very nervous building. But the Panthers were furious — and replays showed they had a case — when Gustav Forsling was sent to the box with 11.2 seconds remaining for tripping. Florida survived that scare, and a few minutes later, had life in the se-

ries again.

"Nobody cares how we got here," Tkachuk said. "It's a 2-1 series."

The odds are still long, but the Panthers at least have a bit more statistical hope now. Of the previous 55 teams to trail 2-1 at this point of the Stanley Cup Final, 11 have actually rallied to hoist the trophy.

It's improbable, sure. So are the Panthers, who were the eighth seed in the Eastern Conference, were down 3-1 to Boston in Round 1, were 133 seconds away from trailing this series 3-0 — and now have tons of reasons for optimism.

"We found our legs a little bit," Florida's San Reinhart said.

Jonathan Marchessault and Mark Stone had power-play goals for Vegas.

Marchessault's goal was his 13th in his last 13 playoff games, his fourth of this series and his third with the man advantage.

As if all that wasn't enough, there was a little history in there as well. Vegas joined the 1980 New York Islanders as the only team with at least two power-play goals in three consecutive games in the Cup final. And Marchessault became the third player in the last 35 years to score in each of the first three games of a title series — joining Steve Yzerman in 1997 with Detroit and Jake Guentzel with Pittsburgh in 2017.

But it wasn't enough to give Vegas a 3-0 lead in the series.

"I didn't mind our game," Cassidy said. "They made a play in overtime. ... Sometimes that happens to you."

## Around the rink

Florida's 0-6 record in Stanley Cup Final games before Thursday was well short of the record for franchise futility in the title series. St. Louis lost its first 13 games in the Cup final. ... Before Thursday, Florida's last home game in the title series was June 10, 1996, when Uwe Krupp scored in the third overtime for a 1-0 win as Colorado finished off a four-game sweep of the Panthers for the Cup. ... Miami Dolphins quarterback Tua Tagovailoa was in the crowd, as was NBA great Charles Barkley, and former Dolphins star Dan Marino was the celebrity drummer to welcome the Panthers onto the ice.

## YOUTH BASEBALL

# Fans who mistreat umpires are sentenced to do the job themselves

By Dan Gelston  
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DEPTFORD, N.J. — Back in Mudville, when mighty Casey took an unheeded pitch for a strike, there went up a muffled roar: "'Kill him! Kill the umpire!' shouted someone on the stand."

Even in 1888, well before pitch clocks, \$17 beers and instant replay, a common thread for the fans in baseball's most epic poem was how much they loved to threaten umpires.

These days, 135 or so years after writer Ernest Lawrence Thayer's renowned verse, one Little League in New Jersey is taking a hands-on approach. Its target: those watching 10- and 11-year-olds play baseball who curse at the volunteers behind the plate.

You want some of this? they're saying. Well, come get some. In Deptford, the umpire recruiting slogan sign may as well read: "If you can't berate them, join them."

The April Facebook post hardly seemed like

national news at the time for league president Don Bozzuffi. He'd lost patience when two umpires resigned after persistent spectator abuse. So he wrote an updated code of conduct.

It specified: Any spectator deemed in violation would be banned from the complex until three umpiring assignments were completed. If not, the person would be barred from any Deptford youth sports facilities for a year.

In G-rated terms (unlike the ones that will get you tossed), the mandate just wants helicopter parents to calm the heck down. No 9-year-old will remember, as an adult, being safe or out on a bang-bang play at first. But how deep would be the cut of watching dad get tossed out of the game and banished for bad behavior?

The league doesn't want to find out. "So far, it's working like I'd hoped and just been a deterrent," the 68-year-old Bozzuffi said.

The problem, though, isn't limited to Deptford and its handful of unruly

parents.

Outbursts of bad behavior at sporting events for young people have had frightening consequences for officials at all youth levels. Pick a town, any town, and there are adults assaulting referees or chasing umpires into parking lots looking for a fight, all available on the social feed of your choice.

The videos pop up almost weekly: inane instances of aggressive behavior toward officials. Like in January, when a Florida basketball referee was punched in the face after one game. Or last month, when an enraged youth baseball coach stormed a baseball field in Alabama and wrestled an umpire to the ground.

Jim McDevitt has worked as a volunteer Deptford umpire for 20 years. But he turns 66 this month and won't call games much longer. He wonders where the next generation of officials will come from, especially when the job description includes little pay and lots of crap.

## HORSERACING



Photos by Sarah Stier/Getty Images

A horse and exercise rider walk to the track during morning workouts prior to the 155th running of the Belmont Stakes at Belmont Park in Elmont, New York.

# Belmont Park will resume live racing as air quality improves

ASSOCIATED PRESS

ELMONT, N.Y. — Live racing will resume at Belmont Park on Friday following significant improvement in air quality conditions in the state, the New York Racing Association announced.

Both Belmont and Saratoga reopened for training Friday morning, and the 11-card race will start at 12:50 p.m. The NYRA said in a statement that it will actively monitor air quality conditions and forecasts to ensure the environment remains safe for racing participants and fans ahead of the Belmont Stakes on Saturday. Racing at Belmont Park was canceled on Thursday due to poor air quality from wildfires in Canada. New York Gov. Kathy Ho-



Horses are bathed during morning workouts prior to the 155th running of the Belmont Stakes at Belmont Park on June 09, 2023.

chul had warned that the Belmont Stakes, the final leg of the Triple Crown, could be affected if conditions don't improve by Saturday.

New York Racing Association vice president of communications Patrick McKenna said in a statement to The Associated Press on Thursday that state officials and the NYRA consulted on how to

proceed going forward in "our shared efforts to provide the safest possible environment for training and racing thoroughbred horses."

McKenna had said his group remained "optimistic that conditions will allow for the resumption of training and racing on Friday in advance of the Belmont Stakes on Saturday."

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