



Finalist teams



Ambassadors and VIPs



Romania team



Greece team



Philippines team



Palestine team



Lebanon team

USA Team win 'Challenge Cup 2019'

BAS and Romanian Embassy hold 6th Int'l Basketball Tournament



Team USA – Winners of the Challenge Cup 2019

KUWAIT CITY, Dec 3: The British Academy of Sport (BAS) and the Romanian Embassy in Kuwait organized the sixth International Basketball Tournament between Embassies in Kuwait on Friday, Nov 29 at the BSK Campus.

A total of 8 teams represented their countries: Egypt, Greece, Lebanon, Mongolia, Palestine, Philippines, Romania and USA. The opening ceremony saw the team's parade with their flags and in national costume past the reviewing stand of VIPs, five ambassadors including the patron of the tournament and HE the Romanian Ambassador

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Daniel Tanase. The captains drew the numbers, the games began and the spectators from the various communities spurred on their teams with great national pride.

It was an amazing day with very strong teams and challenging matches. The semifinals were played between USA against Romania and Palestine against Egypt. The winners of the "Challenge Cup" for the first time are USA Team who played a great final game against the Egypt Team.

The Director of British Academy of Sport, Lucian Anisia, the BSK Founder Madam Vera Al Mutawa, joined the Romanian Ambassador on stage and the special guest was Camelia Potec an Olympic and Multiple European Champion in Swimming from Romania. They all offered a lively Presentation ceremony when medals and certificates were distributed to everyone.

This year the event was sponsored by: Ecco, Royale Hayat, 4FEST Jumeirah Hotel, Qatar Airways, FCM Travel Solutions and Decathlon. The media partner was Times Kuwait.

Since 2014 it has become a tradition at BAS to organize high caliber community sports events and invite all the Embassies to participate every February and March in a Volleyball Tournament and every November in a Basketball Tournament. Full details of all BAS courses and events are available at www.bas.edu.kw or you can contact the Academy at 99458013.



Action shot taken during the USA team and the Philippines match.

Barty hopes 2020 will be golden yr

MELBOURNE, Dec 3, (RTS): Ash Barty won her third Newcombe Medal as Australia's top tennis player this week but the world number one says she hopes to earn a more coveted medal at the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

The 23-year-old has had a whirlwind 2019, claiming her maiden Grand Slam title at the French Open to become the first Australian to win one of the four majors since Sam Stosur's 2011 US Open triumph.

Barty also became Australia's first woman to earn the No. 1 ranking since Evonne Goolagong in the 1970s and led the nation to the Fed Cup final for the first time in over a quarter of a century.

"I'm really excited to hopefully be a part of my very first Olympics," Barty told reporters in Melbourne on Tuesday. "I think it could make the year extra special, but there are so many parts of the year that I'm looking forward to."

Blues shut out Blackhawks

Sabres rout Devils as Ducks hand Kings another road loss

CHICAGO, Dec 3, (RTS): Jaden Schwartz had a goal and an assist, Jake Allen stopped all 38 shots he faced, and the St Louis Blues skated to a 4-0 win over the hosts Chicago Blackhawks, the reigning champions' fourth straight win.

Mackenzie MacEachern, Brayden Schenn and Tyler Bozak also scored for the Blues, who have

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earned at least one point in seven of their past eight contests.

Patrick Kane led the Blackhawks with six shots on goal while Brandon Saad finished with five shots. Chicago lost their third consecutive game and was blanked for the third time this season.

Allen recorded his first shutout of the season and the 20th of his career. The seventh-year veteran stopped 10 shots in the first period, 11 in the second and 17 in the third as he improved to 5-1-2 in 2019-20.



Chicago Blackhawks goaltender Corey Crawford (left), makes a save on a shot by St Louis Blues' Ryan O'Reilly during the second period of an NHL hockey game on Dec 2 in Chicago. (AP)

Sabres 7, Devils 1

In Buffalo, New York, Jack Eichel's goal less than three minutes after face-off sparked a five-goal first period for hosts Buffalo, which continued its dominance of the Devils with an easy rout.

Conor Sheary scored twice in the

first for the Sabres, who led 5-0 after one period and 6-0 fewer than five minutes into the second. Jeff Skinner and Rasmus Asplund added first-period goals before Victor Olofsson and Henri Jokiharju scored in the second.

Ducks 4, Kings 2

In Anaheim, California, Derek Grant

scored twice, including an empty-netter, as Anaheim defeated visiting Los Angeles in the first Freeway Face-off of the season between the NHL's Southern California rivals.

Carter Rowney added a goal and an assist, Jakob Silfverberg also scored, and Hampus Lindholm had three assists for the Ducks. Goaltender Ryan Miller, 39, who started because John Gibson was sidelined by an illness, made 34 saves to improve to 4-1-0 this season.

Golden Knights 4, Rangers 1
In New York, Alex Tuch scored two first-period goals and Malcolm Subban finished with 29 saves as Vegas skated to its third consecutive win with a solid showing in New York.

It was Tuch's third career two-goal game. Reilly Smith and Max Pacioretty also scored goals for the Golden Knights, who improved to 4-1-0 in franchise history against the Rangers. It marked the first time this season that Vegas has won three games in a row, all with Subban in net.

Islanders 4, Red Wings 1
In Detroit, Jordan Eberle scored his first two goals of the season as New York handed hosts Detroit its 10th consecutive loss. Eberle was appearing in his 15th game this season. He scored 19 goals last season.

NHL Results/Standings

WASHINGTON, Dec 3, (RTS): Results and standings from the NHL games on Monday.

Buffalo	7	New Jersey	1	St Louis	4	Chicago	0
Las Vegas	4	NY Rangers	1	Anaheim	4	Los Angeles	2
NY Islanders	4	Detroit	1				

Eastern Conference						Western Conference							
Atlantic Division						Central Division							
W	L	OTL	GF	GA	Pts	W	L	OTL	GF	GA	Pts		
Boston	19	3	5	99	65	43	St Louis	18	5	6	90	75	42
Florida	13	8	5	94	83	31	Colorado	16	8	2	97	75	34
Buffalo	13	10	5	85	83	31	Winnipeg	16	10	1	77	76	33
Toronto	13	11	4	93	92	30	Dallas	15	10	3	75	68	33
Montreal	11	10	6	89	96	28	Nashville	12	10	4	87	85	28
Tampa Bay	12	9	3	88	79	27	Minnesota	12	11	4	79	86	28
Ottawa	11	15	1	69	84	23	Chicago	10	12	5	74	85	25
Detroit	7	20	3	63	119	17							
Metropolitan Division						Pacific Division							
W	L	OTL	GF	GA	Pts	W	L	OTL	GF	GA	Pts		
Washington	19	4	5	104	83	43	Edmonton	17	9	3	91	84	37
NY Islanders	18	5	2	75	59	38	Arizona	15	9	4	87	87	34
Philadelphia	15	7	5	85	83	31	Las Vegas	14	11	4	78	62	32
Carolina	16	10	1	88	76	33	San Jose	15	12	1	82	91	31
Pittsburgh	14	9	4	93	78	32	Vancouver	13	11	4	92	84	30
NY Rangers	13	10	3	84	87	29	Calgary	13	12	4	73	86	30
Columbus	11	11	4	66	80	26	Anaheim	12	12	4	75	84	28
New Jersey	9	13	4	66	97	22	Los Angeles	11	15	2	72	93	24