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Players and officials of Quetta Gladiators pose for a photograph with the trophy after winning the final cricket match of Pakistan Super League against Peshawar Zalmi at National Stadium in Karachi, Pakistan, March 17. (AP)

Quetta clinch first PSL title

KARACHI, Pakistan, March 18, (AP) — Quetta Gladiators won their first Pakistan Super League Twenty20 title with a thumping eight-wicket victory over 2017 champions Peshawar Zalmi in the final.

CRICKET

Darren Sammy-led Peshawar, playing in their third straight PSL final, were restricted to 138-8 after being put into bat by Quetta captain Sarfaraz Ahmed. Improving paceman Mohammad Hasnain claimed 3-30 from his four overs.

In reply, Ahmed Shehzad (58 not out off 51 balls) led Quetta to 139-2 in 17.5 overs after former Australia international Shane Watson was run out early for seven in the run-chase.

NBA Results/Standings

WASHINGTON, March 18, (RTRS): Results and standings from the NBA games on Sunday.

New York	124	LA Lakers	123	Orlando	101	Atlanta	91
Miami	93	Charlotte	75	Sacramento	129	Chicago	102
Philadelphia	130	Milwaukee	125	Houston	117	Minnesota	102
Detroit	110	Toronto	107	LA Clippers	119	Brooklyn	116

Eastern Conference				Western Conference			
Atlantic Division				Northwest Division			
W	L	PCT	GB	W	L	PCT	GB
Toronto	49	21	.700	Denver	46	22	.676
Philadelphia	45	25	.643	Portland	42	27	.609
Boston	43	27	.614	Oklahoma City	42	28	.600
Brooklyn	36	36	.500	Utah	40	29	.580
New York	14	56	.200	Minnesota	32	38	.457
Central Division				Pacific Division			
W	L	PCT	GB	W	L	PCT	GB
Milwaukee	52	18	.743	Golden State	47	21	.691
Indiana	44	26	.629	LA Clippers	41	30	.577
Detroit	36	33	.522	Sacramento	34	35	.493
Chicago	19	52	.268	LA Lakers	31	39	.443
Cleveland	17	53	.243	Phoenix	17	54	.239
Southeast Division				Southwest Division			
W	L	PCT	GB	W	L	PCT	GB
Miami	33	36	.478	Houston	44	26	.629
Orlando	33	38	.465	San Antonio	41	29	.586
Charlotte	31	38	.449	New Orleans	30	42	.417
Washington	30	40	.429	Dallas	28	41	.406
Atlanta	24	47	.338	Memphis	28	42	.400

Furyk disappointed

McIlroy wins Players Championship

FLORIDA, March 18, (RTRS): Rory McIlroy became the first player from Northern Ireland to win the Players Championship when he emerged as the last man standing to beat veteran American Jim Furyk by one stroke in Ponte Vedra, Florida on Sunday.

On a day when 15 players at one stage were within two shots of the lead, McIlroy eventually emerged from the pack, overcoming an early double-bogey by displaying enough maturity to hang tough before moving in for the proverbial kill.

McIlroy carded two-under-par 70 at the famous TPC Sawgrass course in Ponte Vedra Beach to win a championship that was first held in 1974, when it was won by Jack Nicklaus.

McIlroy finished at 16-under 272 to edge Furyk, who with a gimme birdie at the final hole threatened to become the event's oldest winner at the age of 48.

"Sawgrass and I didn't have the greatest relationship starting off," McIlroy told reporters, referring to missed cuts in his first three appearances from 2009-11.

"It's a massive win on a course (where) I've had mixed results. I had to show a lot of character out there. Any time I looked at the leaderboard I was pleasantly surprised I hadn't fallen two or three shots behind."



Rory McIlroy, of Northern Ireland, poses with the trophy after winning The Players Championship golf tournament on March 17 in Ponte Vedra Beach, Fla. (AP)

"That gave me a little bit of encouragement to keep going and play a great back nine. I am just thankful that it was my turn this week." With Furyk already in the clubhouse, the 29-year-old McIlroy knew what he had to do as he played the final three holes.

After a birdie at the par-four 15th, he used his power to reach the par-five 16th in two shots and a two-putt birdie gave him the lead.

McIlroy then safely negotiated the water-lined final two holes with tap-in pars to clinch the most prestigious tournament outside the four majors.

Furyk shot 67 to finish alone on 15-under.

"There's a little disappointment, thinking maybe I played well enough to win," said the American. "Rory obviously felt differently." It was Furyk's 31st runner-up finish on the PGA Tour, the same number as Tiger Woods who has also won 80 times compared to his compatriot's 17.

GOLF

Englishman Eddie Pepperell (66) and Venezuelan Jhonattan Vegas (66) finished two strokes behind McIlroy in a tie for third.

Pepperell and Vegas sank monster birdies at the par-three 17th, Pepperell sinking a roller-coaster 50-footer before Vegas one-upped him with a 70-footer.

Overnight leader Jon Rahm floundered, the Spaniard making three bogeys in the first four holes and compounding his misery by dunking his tee shot into the water at the par-three 17th.

Sixers down Bucks despite Giannis' 52

Clippers pull out dramatic win

WASHINGTON, March 18, (RTRS): Joel Embiid scored 40 points and grabbed 15 rebounds to lead the visiting Philadelphia 76ers past the Milwaukee Bucks 130-125 on Sunday.

It was Embiid's 52nd double-double and the 25th time he has scored at least 30 points and swept 10 rebounds in a game. He scored 18 points alone in the fourth quarter.

BASKETBALL

Jimmy Butler had 27 and J.J. Redick 19 for the Sixers, who won their fourth in a row and officially clinched a play-off spot.

Giannis Antetokounmpo was terrific for the Bucks with a career-high 52 points to go along with 16 rebounds and seven assists. Khris Middleton added 19 points.

Rockets 117, Timberwolves 102
Chris Paul, Clint Capela and James Harden recorded double-doubles, and host Houston turned a blistering third-quarter shooting display into a victory over Minnesota.

Paul paired 25 points with 10 assists and matched his single-game high of six 3-pointers, while Capela recorded 20 points and 13 rebounds in grappling with Timberwolves All-Star center Karl-Anthony Towns (22 points, 10 rebounds, six assists).

Rookie forward Josh Okogie scored 21 points for the Timberwolves, who have dropped 7 of 10. Taj Gibson chipped in 15 points and 10 rebounds off the bench for Minnesota. Houston improved to 11-2 since the All-Star break.

Clippers 119, Nets 116
Reserve Lou Williams hit a 3-pointer at the buzzer as hosts Los Angeles pulled



Orlando Magic's Nikola Vucevic (left), and Atlanta Hawks' Kent Bazemore (24) go after a loose ball during the first half of an NBA basketball game on March 17 in Orlando, Fla. (AP)

out a dramatic win over Brooklyn for its seven win in its last eight games.

Williams, whose game winner was the first of his career, scored 11 of his team-high 25 points in a fourth quarter that featured wild runs by both teams. The Clippers (41-30) won for the seventh time in eight games and moved into a virtual tie with Utah for seventh in the West and a half-game behind sixth-place San Antonio.

Danilo Gallinari and Montrezl Harrell added 20 points apiece for the Clippers. D'Angelo Russell scored a game-high 32 points, but the Nets (36-36) fell 1-1/2 games behind sixth-place Detroit in the Eastern Conference and lead eighth-place Miami by just 1-1/2 games.

Pistons 110, Raptors 107
Blake Griffin scored 25 points to lead hosts Detroit past Toronto to sweep their three-game regular-season series.

Trailing 110-107 with 2.4 seconds left, Toronto had a glimmer of hope after Griffin missed two free throws. Griffin intentionally fouled Toronto's

Kawhi Leonard on the rebound with 1.4 seconds remaining, but Leonard missed the first throw. After Leonard intentionally missed the second, Pistons center Andre Drummond gathered the rebound and the clock ran out.

Reggie Jackson scored 20 points for the Pistons, and Drummond added 15 points and 17 rebounds. Leonard put up a game-high 33 points to go with 10 rebounds, while Fred VanVleet scored 17 points and Marc Gasol grabbed 11 rebounds.

Knicks 124, Lakers 123
Emmanuel Mudiay highlighted his 28-point performance with a pair of late free throws as NBA-worst New York erased an 11-point deficit late in the fourth quarter to knock off visiting Los Angeles.

Damyean Dotson scored 25 points and Kevin Knox chipped in 19 for the Knicks, who benefited from a season-high 41-point first quarter to post their first win since a 108-103 victory against Orlando on Feb 26.