

Russia dominate Sweden in Group B with 7-3 win

Canada blank US to close preliminary round of worlds



Latvia's Janis Jaks (left), checks Norway's Patrick Thoresen during the Ice Hockey World Championships Group B match between Norway and Latvia at the Ondrej Nepela Arena in Bratislava, Slovakia on May 21. (AP)

KOSICE, Slovakia, May 22, (AP): Pierre-Luc Dubois scored early to back the shutout goaltending of Matt Murray, sending Canada past the United States 3-0 on Tuesday at the world hockey championship. Both teams already were assured quarterfinal berths and were competing for seeding.

Canada won Group A and will next play Switzerland. The Americans, who had five won straight, will face the high-scoring and undefeated Russians on Thursday. Finland will face Sweden, while the Czech Republic plays Germany in the round of eight.

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Kyle Turris also scored in the first period for Canada, beating Cory Schneider, and Turris assisted on Jared McCann's goal in the second period.

Alex Ovechkin and Evgeni Malkin scored for Russia, which closed out its dominant play in Group B with a 7-3 win over Sweden. Earlier Tuesday, Leon Draisaitl scored tie-breaking and go-ahead goals late in the third period to life Germany to a 4-2 win over Finland in Group A.

The Czech Republic closed the preliminary round with a 5-4 win over Switzerland in Bratislava in Group B, getting one goal and two assists each from Jakub Voracek and Dominik Si-



James van Riemsdyk of the US (left), checks Canada's Dante Fabro (right), during the Ice Hockey World Championships Group A match between Canada and the United States at the Steel Arena in Kosice, Slovakia on May 21. (AP)

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In match-ups of teams that won't advance, Latvia beat Norway 4-1 in Group B, and the hosts Slovaks outlasted Denmark 2-1 in a shootout decided by penalty shots.

NFL Roundup

Bucs finalizing deal with DT Suh

Patriots extend Super Bowl MVP Edelman through 2021

SEATTLE, May 22, (RTRS): The Patriots finalized a two-year extension worth \$21 million to perhaps keep Super Bowl MVP Julian Edelman in New England for his entire career.

According to multiple reports, the extension includes an \$8 million signing bonus and \$12 million guaranteed. The 32-year-old wide receiver's contract was set to expire after the 2019 season. He signed a two-year, \$11 million deal in June 2017.



Edelman

The Tampa Bay Buccaneers are finalizing a one-year contract with defensive tackle Ndamukong Suh, multiple media outlets reported.

The deal comes a day after the team "mutually parted ways" with defensive tackle Gerald McCoy, who, coincidentally, was chosen one pick after Suh in the 2010 NFL Draft.

As the Pittsburgh Steelers' 2019 organized team activities got underway, quarterback Ben Roethlisberger pinned the team's 2018 struggles on himself.

"I lacked in leadership," Roethlisberger told reporters. "Because that's my job as the leader of this team, to get us to the playoffs. I'm gonna need to focus and refocus my energy and time on, how can I be a better leader to get us back to the playoffs?"

Indianapolis Colts star Andrew Luck sat out the first day of

organized team activities due to a minor calf strain.

The injury isn't considered serious, and the Colts are likely just being cautious with the 29-year-old franchise quarterback.

The 2021 NFL Draft will be held in Cleveland, according to an Uproxx report.

The league is expected to officially announce the news, and potentially the hosts of other future drafts, on Wednesday, as owners hold spring meetings in Florida this week.

San Francisco 49ers top pick Nick Bosa tweaked his hamstring and sat out the rest of practice.

Head coach Kyle Shanahan told reporters the severity is unclear, but Bosa remained on the sidelines through the end of practice.

The Buffalo Bills signed defensive end Jerry Hughes to two-year extension, putting the team's longest-tenured player under contract through 2021.

According to ESPN, Hughes' extension is worth up to \$23 million with \$19.5 million guaranteed. Hughes, who turns 31 in August, was set to make \$7.5 million in 2019.

Bills tight end Tyler Kroft suffered a broken right foot Monday and will require surgery, which reportedly brings with it a three-to-four month recovery.

Four other offseason acquisitions are also sidelined: Wide receiver Cole Beasley and center Mitch Morse are recovering from core muscle surgeries, while running backs Frank Gore (foot, ankle) and T.J. Yeldon (groin) are also out.

Ewan 'sprints' to second stage win at Giro d'Italia

Conti keeps pink jersey

NOVILIGURE, Italy, May 22, (RTRS): Australian Caleb Ewan won the 11th stage of the Giro d'Italia on Wednesday after a bunch sprint at the end of a 221-kilometre ride from Carpi to Novi Ligure.



Conti

The Lotto-Soudal rider timed his late attack to perfection as he edged Arnaud Demare (Groupama-FDJ) and a wounded Pascal Ackermann (Bora-Hansgrohe) in a thrilling finale, adding to his victory on stage eight.

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"Ackermann was the first sprinter who came by me on his train so I decided to jump on him," Ewan said. "He went quite early so I could wait and then time my sprint to perfection."



Australia's Caleb Ewan celebrates as he crosses the finish line to win the 11th stage of the Giro d'Italia cycling race, from Carpi to Novi Ligure, on May 22. (AP)

"My team did a great job and I'm really happy to pay them back with another win. This is the most successful Grand Tour I have done so I'm really happy with my progression."

Italian champion Elia Viviani (Deceuninck-Quick-Step), who remains without a victory in this year's race, faded and had to settle for fourth spot. Valerio Conti of UAE Team Emir-

ates retained the overall leader's pink jersey, with Slovenian Primoz Roglic one minute and 50 seconds adrift on a straightforward day for the leading race contenders.

A shake-up in the overall standings is expected on stage 12, which features the tough Montoso ascent, before the first big day in the mountains on Friday.

NFL tables talks to overhaul overtime

KEY BISCAYNE, Florida, May 22, (RTRS): NFL overtime rules will be unchanged for the 2019 season, the competition committee declared Wednesday, at its annual May meeting.

A proposal by the Kansas City Chiefs received considerable attention, and commissioner Roger Goodell welcomed a debate he said should continue with a particular focus on changes to OT for playoff games.

Competition committee chairman Rich McKay said the proposal, which guarantees both teams one possession in overtime, will be revisited next year by NFL owners.

Current rules allow for the team receiving the ball first in overtime to score a touchdown and end the game.

The impetus for the Chiefs' plan was an overtime loss to the New England Patriots in the AFC Championship game in January. In that game, the Patriots won the coin toss, and Tom Brady engineered a 13-play, 75-yard drive then ended in a Rex Burkhead touchdown and a New England trip to the Super Bowl.

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