

SPORTS



New York Rangers' Mika Zibanejad (93) and Buffalo Sabres' Jeff Skinner (53) battle for the puck during the first period of an NHL hockey game, on Nov 21, in New York. (AP)

Lightning edge Wild in SO

Rangers 'stun' Sabres with last-second goal to win 5-4

NEW YORK, Nov. 22, (AP) — Defenseman Ryan Lindgren barely beat the third-period buzzer to lift the New York Rangers to a 5-4 victory over the Buffalo Sabres.

Lindgren's heroics came after the teams scored three goals each in a wild second period, including four goals in an 82-second span.

Chris Kreider, Jacob Trouba, Kaapo Kakko and K'Andre Miller all scored for the Rangers. Alexander Georgiev had 14 saves and was replaced by Igor Shesterkin, who had four saves in the third.

Lightning 5, Wild 4, SO

In Tampa Bay, Fla., Steven Stamkos scored the lone shootout goal while Brian Elliott stopped three shootout shots to give Tampa Bay Lightning a win over Minnesota after blowing a late two-goal lead.

Minnesota rallied in the third period to tie it at 4 on two empty-net goals by Kevin Fiala and Joel Eriksson Ek over a 2:09 stretch. But the Wild couldn't score in overtime during a power play that lasted about a minute and half.

Tampa Bay also got two goals from Anthony Cirelli and one each from Pat Maroon and Alex Barré-Boulet. Elliott made 28 saves in regulation.

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Marcus Foligno and Brandon Duhaime had the other goals for Minnesota, and Kaapo Kahkonen stopped 20 shots.

Coyotes 2, Kings 1, OT

In Los Angeles, Kyle Capobianco scored with 1:34 remaining in overtime, Karel Vejmelka stopped 37 shots for his first career win and Arizona defeated Los Angeles.

Travis Boyd had a goal and an assist for the Coyotes, who have won consecutive games for the first time this season. On Friday night at home, Clayton Keller scored 25 seconds into overtime to give the Coyotes a 2-1 comeback victory over Detroit.

Blackhawks 1, Canucks 0

In Vancouver, British Columbia, Marc-Andre Fleury stopped 40 shots in his first shutout of the season to give Chicago a win over Vancouver.

Brandon Hagel scored the game's lone goal with a third-period tip-in, while Fleury earned his 68th career shutout and improved his recent record against Vancouver to 13-0-2.

Thatcher Demko stopped 23 of 24 shots for the Canucks, who controlled play through much of the first two periods but stuttered in the third, giving up an early goal and struggling to generate offense.

Kraken 5, Capitals 2

In Seattle, Jaden Schwartz had a goal and three assists and the Seattle Kraken beat the Washington Capitals 5-2 to snap a six-game losing streak.

Calle Jarnkrok and Yanni Gourde each added a goal and an assist and

Schwartz reached 401 career points as Seattle won for the first time since Nov. 4.

Jared McCann and Adam Larsson also scored for Seattle, which got 37 saves from Philipp Grubauer.

Alex Ovechkin scored his 15th goal of the season and Vitek Vanacek had 26 saves for the Capitals, who hadn't lost since Nov. 6.

Flames 4, Bruins 0

In Boston, former Bruins goalie Dan Vladar stopped 27 shots for his second career shutout, Andrew Mangiapane scored a short-handed goal early in the third period, and Calgary beat Boston for its seventh shutout in 19 games.

Johnny Gaudreau and Noah Hanifin, who both played collegiate hockey nearby for Boston College, each had a goal for the Flames, who posted their third straight win and improved to 9-2-2 on the road. Mikael Backlund also scored for Calgary, and Matthew Tkachuk had two assists.

Jeremy Swayman made 27 saves for Boston, which had its three-game winning streak snapped.

Maple Leafs 3, Islanders 0

In New York, Mitch Marner scored twice and Joseph Woll stopped 20 shots for his first career shutout as Toronto beat New York.

Ondrej Kase also scored as Toronto improved to 11-2 in their last 13 games in the opener of a four-game road trip that includes the next three games in California. Woll, a 2016 third-round draft pick, picked up his second career win in two starts.

Ilya Sorokin stopped 37 shots for the Islanders, who lost their sixth straight game — all in regulation — and remained winless in two at their brand new \$1.1 billion UBS Arena next to Belmont Park. New York has been outscored 27-6 during its losing streak.

NHL Results/Standings

WASHINGTON, Nov 22, (AP) — Results and standings from the NHL games on Sunday.

Tampa Bay	5	Minnesota (SO)	4	Chicago	1	Vancouver	0
NY Rangers	5	Buffalo	4	Seattle	5	Washington	2
Calgary	4	Boston	0	Arizona	2	Los Angeles (OT)	1
Toronto	3	NY Islanders	0				

Eastern Conference							Western Conference								
Atlantic Division							Central Division								
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA		
Florida	18	13	2	3	29	71	47	Minnesota	18	11	6	1	23	64	59
Toronto	20	13	6	1	27	51	45	Winnipeg	17	9	4	4	22	54	45
Tampa Bay	17	10	4	3	23	55	52	St. Louis	17	9	6	2	20	56	47
Detroit	20	8	9	3	19	54	67	Nashville	17	9	7	1	19	47	48
Boston	15	9	6	0	18	46	43	Colorado	14	8	5	1	17	54	44
Buffalo	17	7	8	2	16	49	54	Dallas	16	7	7	2	16	43	51
Montreal	20	5	13	2	12	44	70	Chicago	18	6	10	2	14	40	58
Ottawa	15	4	10	1	9	36	52	Arizona	19	4	13	2	10	34	70
Metropolitan Division							Pacific Division								
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA		
Carolina	16	14	2	0	28	56	32	Calgary	19	11	3	5	27	63	36
Washington	19	11	3	5	27	64	44	Edmonton	17	13	4	0	26	68	50
NY Rangers	18	11	4	3	25	51	51	Anaheim	18	10	5	3	23	61	48
Philadelphia	16	8	5	3	19	43	44	Vegas	18	11	7	0	22	57	54
New Jersey	16	8	5	3	19	48	49	Los Angeles	18	8	7	3	19	48	46
Columbus	15	9	6	0	18	50	47	San Jose	17	8	8	1	17	44	50
Pittsburgh	17	7	6	4	18	51	51	Vancouver	19	6	11	2	14	46	62
NY Islanders	15	5	8	2	12	31	47	Seattle	18	5	12	1	11	52	68

Note: Two points for a win one point for overtime loss. Top three teams in each division and two wild cards per conference advance to playoffs.

Tourists beat hosts by 5 wickets

Pak seal T20 sweep over B'desh

DHAKA, Bangladesh, Nov. 22, (AP) — Pakistan completed a clean sweep over Bangladesh in their Twenty20 series, winning the third and final game by five wickets after a thrilling last over on Monday.

Bangladesh totalled a mediocre 124-7 on a two-paced wicket that had variable bounce, but a slow approach meant Pakistan needed eight runs off the final six balls.

Captain Mahmudullah came on to bowl his only over of the day and dismissed Sarfaraz Ahmed and Haider Ali in consecutive deliveries before Ifthikhar Ahmed smashed a huge six off the fourth ball, denying him a hat-trick.

CRICKET

With two runs needed off two balls, Ifthikhar went for glory but ended up being caught for six at backward point. New batsman Mohammad Nawaz then hit a four through extra cover to take Pakistan home. Mahmudullah finished with 3-10 from his solitary over.

"The pitch was a tricky one," player of the series Mohammad Rizwan said. "Whenever you play away, you get on different kinds of pitches. But we try to stick to our process."

Earlier, Haider and Rizwan had put on 51 for the second wicket for Pakistan.

Paceman Shohidul Islam, making his debut, picked up his first wicket by removing Rizwan for 40. But Haider appeared to be in full control, hitting 45 in 38 balls with three fours and two sixes before falling.

Mahmudullah had opted to bat first but debut paceman Shah Nawaz Dhani, leg-spinner Usman Qadir and fast bowler Mohammad Wasim claimed two wickets apiece to restrict Bangladesh to its low score.



West Indies' batsman Nkrumah Bonner plays a shot during day two of their first Test cricket match between Sri Lanka and West Indies in Galle, Sri Lanka, on Nov. 22. (AP)

Sri Lanka spinners restrict Windies to 113-6 on Day 2

COLOMBO, Sri Lanka, Nov. 22, (AP) — Sri Lanka spinners Ramesh Mendis and Praveen Jayawickrama shared five wickets to leave West Indies struggling on 113-6 in reply to the home team's first-innings 386 on the second day of the first cricket test on Monday.

Off-spinner Mendis removed Kraigg Brathwaite (41), Shai Hope (10) and Roston Chase (2) to finish the day with figures of 3-23. Jayawickrama picked up 2-25 while fellow spinner Lasith Embuldeniya claimed the other wicket to fall.

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Ko delivers big finish to win LPGA player of year

Gooch sails to victory at Sea Island for 1st PGA Tour title

NAPLES, Fla., Nov 22, (AP) — Facing high stakes against her toughest opponent, Jin Young Ko delivered a performance that was close to perfect to win the richest prize in women's golf and overtake Nelly Korda for LPGA player of the year.

Ko opened with a 25-foot birdie putt and never looked back in the CME Group Tour Championship. She shot 30 on the front nine and closed with the low round of the tournament at 9-under 63 for a one-shot victory of Nasa Hataoka of Japan.

So flawless was Ko, who has been coping with a left wrist injury since May, that she hit the final 63 greens in regulation at Tiburon Golf Club.

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This victory brought big spoils, beyond the \$1.5 million to the winner. The 26-year-old South Korean had to win the tournament to claim the points-based LPGA player of the year, the second time in three years Ko has won the award.

Korda's big year of becoming a major champion and Olympic gold medalist ended with a thud. The 23-year-old American closed with a 69 and tied for fifth, six shots behind.

Ko won the season finale for the second straight year, and this took all she had. She started the final round in a four-way tie for the lead with Korda, Hataoka and Celine Boutier and quickly left everyone in her wake with four birdies on the opening six holes.

The winner finished at 23-under 265 for her 12th career victory. She won five of the last nine tournaments she played on the LPGA Tour, and became the first five-time winner on the LPGA since 2016.

In St. Simons Island, Ga., Talor Gooch was playing too well to get fazed by anything in the final round of the RSM Classic, and it paid off with his first PGA Tour title when he closed



Jin Young Ko of Korea, watches her tee shot on the eighth tee during the final round of the LPGA Tour Championship golf tournament, on Nov 21, in Naples, Fla. (Inset): Ko, kisses the player of the year trophy after winning the LPGA Tour Championship. (AP)

with a 6-under 64 for a three-shot victory at Sea Island.

He was playing with two guys who have won before. He was pushed early by a past Sea Island champion. The buzz in the middle of the round was another player flirting with 59.

Gooch ran off three birdies in four holes to start the back nine and never let anyone get close to cap off a strong fall with the ultimate prize. The victory moved him to the top of the FedEx Cup standings, to No. 33 in the world ranking and to Augusta National in April for the Masters.

Gooch tied the tournament record of 22-under 260 set by Kevin Kisner in 2014. He became the seventh player in the 12-year history of the event to make the RSM Classic his first victory.

Mackenzie Hughes of Canada, who won the tournament in 2016, rallied from the group ahead of Gooch with four birdies among his last six holes, capped by a 20-foot putt at No. 18 for

a 62 to finish second at 19-under 263.

Sebastian Munoz (65) was alone in third and Tyler McCumber (60), Cam-

eron Smith (64), Tom Hoge (67) and Seamus Power (68) tied for fourth.

Along with the Masters, Gooch gets to start next year on Maui for the Sentry Tournament of Champions at Kapalua.

Other Tours: Chan Kim birdied his last two holes for an 8-under 63 and a one-shot victory in the Dunlop Phoenix. It was the seventh career victory on the Japan Golf Tour for Kim, who grew up in Hawaii and played at Arizona State. Naoyuki Kataoka (65) and Ryosuke Kinoshita (67) finished one shot behind. ... Erika Hara closed with a 3-under 68 for a three-shot victory in the Daio Paper Elleair Ladies Open, her first victory this year on the Japan LPGA. ... Valery Plata of Colombia closed with a 1-under 71 to win the inaugural Women's Amateur Latin America by one shot over Maria Jose Marin Negrete of Colombia. Plata earned spots in the Women's British Open and the Evian Championship next year.

Talor Gooch holds the championship trophy after the final round of the RSM Classic golf tournament, on Nov 21, in St. Simons Island, Ga. (AP)

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