



Milwaukee Bucks center Bobby Portis (9) and Indiana Pacers guard Caris LeVert (22) battle for the ball during the first half of an NBA basketball game in Indianapolis. Bucks won 118-100. (AP) - See Page 15

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## RAVENS TAKE TOP SPOT IN AFC; BENGALS SWEEP STEELERS

# Fournette stars as Bucs hold off Colts

Patriots earn sixth straight win, 49ers continue revival

**INDIANAPOLIS, Nov 29, (AP):** Leonard Fournette capped a four-touchdown game with a 28-yard scoring run with 20 seconds left Sunday, giving Tampa Bay a 38-31 come-from-behind victory at Indianapolis.

Tom Brady led the Buccaneers (8-3) on the eight-play, 75-yard tiebreaking drive after getting the ball back with 3:29 to go. Fournette rushed 17 times for 100 yards and three scores. He also caught Brady's only touchdown pass.

The defending Super Bowl champs have won two straight overall while Brady improved to 16-4 all time against the Colts in his first appearance against Indy with Tampa Bay.

Indy (6-6) had a chance to force overtime when Isaiah Rodgers returned the kickoff 71 yards to the Bucs 32-yard line with 10 seconds left. But Carson Wentz's first pass to Jack Doyle fell incomplete and former Colts cornerback Pierre Desir picked off Wentz near the goal line as time expired.

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The difference was turnovers. Tampa Bay converted its first three takeaways into 17 points - two taking away Colts scoring chances.

#### Packers 36, Rams 28

In Green Bay, Aaron Rodgers withstood pain from a toe injury, threw two touchdown passes and also ran for a score.

The Rams outscored Green Bay 11-0 in the fourth quarter, but their comeback attempt ended when Adrian Amos recovered an onside kick with 17 seconds left.

Rodgers went 28 of 45 for 307 yards as the Packers bounced back from a 34-31 loss at Minnesota. The reigning MVP threw touchdown passes of 7 yards to Randall Cobb and 5 yards to A.J. Dillon.

Green Bay (9-3) has never lost consecutive games within the same season during Matt LaFleur's three-year coaching tenure.

Rodgers, who didn't practice all week, says he has a fracture of his pinky toe. The injury had caused him to practice just once in the week leading up to his 385-yard, four-touchdown performance at Minnesota.

The Rams (7-4) dropped their third straight game and continually made mistakes to create scoring opportunities for Green Bay, which scored 16 points off three Rams turnovers.

Matthew Stafford went 21 of 38 for 302 yards with three touchdown passes. But he also lost a fumble to set up a touchdown and had an interception returned for a touchdown. Stafford has thrown a pick-6 in each of the last three games.

#### Ravens 16, Browns 10

In Baltimore, Lamar Jackson provided one brilliant highlight during an otherwise subpar performance and his 13-yard touchdown pass to Mark Andrews in the third quarter was enough to lift the Ravens.



New York Giants defenders tackle Philadelphia Eagles' Boston Scott (center), during the first half of an NFL football game in East Rutherford, N.J. (AP)



New England Patriots quarterback Mac Jones yells as he runs down the sidelines prior to an NFL football game in Foxborough, Mass. (AP)

Jackson threw a career-high four interceptions in this mistake-filled game, but the only touchdown for Baltimore was memorable. Dogged by Cleveland's pass rush all night, Jackson scrambled all the way back to about the 35-yard line before lofting a pass over the middle to a remarkably open Andrews in the end zone.

That made it 13-3, and the Ravens (8-3) held on to take over the top spot in the AFC standings.

Cleveland (6-6) never could get its running game - which entered ranked No. 1 in the league - going against the Baltimore defensive front. Nick Chubb managed only 16 yards on eight carries, and Kareem Hunt had 20 yards on seven attempts.

Ravens coach John Harbaugh im-

proved to 18-2 in prime-time games at home and 23-4 overall against the Browns.

#### Bengals 41, Steelers 10

In Cincinnati, Joe Mixon rushed for a career-high 165 yards and two touchdowns. Joe Burrow scrambled for a score and passed for another one and the Bengals swept the season series for the first time since 2009.

Mixon, coming off a rugged 123-yard, two-TD performance in a win over Las Vegas last week, pounded away for 117 yards in the first half. He helped the Bengals cruise to a third straight win over their AFC North rival after losing 11 straight in the series.

The Steelers (5-5-1) are winless in their past three games. The Bengals (7-4), dominated by Pittsburgh for so many years, have stamped themselves as a legitimate playoff contender.

Cincinnati scored on its first four drives, and former Steeler Mike Hilton returned an interception of Ben Roethlisberger for a 24-yard touchdown late in the first half to push the Cincinnati lead to 31-3 at the intermission.

The Bengals' defense kept Roethlisberger from getting any real traction until it was too late. He was picked off twice and sacked three times.

#### Patriots 36, Titans 13

In Foxborough, Mac Jones threw two touchdown passes, New England's defense forced four turnovers and the Patriots earned their sixth straight win.

The victory snapped New England's two-game skid against the Titans. The Patriots hadn't beaten Tennessee since former Patriots linebacker Mike Vrabel took over as coach in 2018. New England (8-4) improved to 6-1 against AFC opponents this season.

Jones completed 23 of 32 passes for 310 yards. Kendrick Bourne had both of the Patriots' TD receptions, finishing with five catches for 61 yards.

The Titans (8-4) stayed close early, but couldn't survive a bevy of errors that included three fumbles by their running backs and an interception by Ryan Tannehill. He finished 11 of 21 for 93 yards and a touchdown.

Playing without star Derrick Henry for the fourth straight game, the Titans had mixed results from their rushing attack. Dontrell Hilliard and D'Onta Foreman became the first Tennessee backs other than Henry to rush for 100 yards since 2018. Hilliard carried 12 times for a career-high 131 yards and a 68-yard TD. But he also had a fumble in the second quarter that set up a Patriots field goal.

Foreman rushed 19 times for 109 yards and broke free for a 34-yard rush

### Ravindra moves past Singh's 417 wickets

## NZ eke out dramatic draw against India

KANPUR, India, Nov 29, (AP): Rachin Ravindra played out 91 deliveries to help New Zealand eke out a dramatic draw in the first Test against India just as the home team's spinners looked like forcing the win on Monday.

Set 284 to win, New Zealand were 165-9 when umpire Nitin Menon called off play having checked light readings in each of the previous six overs.

Ravindra was unbeaten on 18 runs, while tailender Ajaz Patel faced 23 balls to score 2 not out. The last-wicket partnership faced 52 deliveries to deny India victory late on the fifth day.

Ravichandran Ashwin took 3-35 and fellow spinner Ravindra Jadeja had 4-40 as New Zealand lost six wickets for 66 runs either side of the tea break. Axar Patel also took 1-23.

"Ravindra showed great composure (and) Ajaz Patel with his defense," said Ashwin, who moved to 419 wickets - past Harbhajan Singh's 417 - and became the third on India's all-time list after Anil Kumble (619) and Kapil Dev (434).

"Everybody hangs in there, everybody can defend well these days."

After lunch, which New Zealand reached at 79-1, the downfall began as Umesh Yadav (1-34) got the elusive

breakthrough when nightwatchman William Somerville was caught first ball after resumption for 36 off 110 deliveries.

Somerville put on 76 with Tom Latham for the second wicket, with the pair batting through the first session.

Latham was the top-scorer with 52 off 146 balls for his 22nd Test half-century. He also scored 95 in the first innings.

The meltdown began after New Zealand crossed 100 in the 47th over. Latham played onto his own stumps off Ashwin, sparking a collapse from 118-3 to 128-6 in the span of 15.1 overs.

Jadeja accounted for Ross Taylor (2), while Kane Williamson (24) was trapped lbw as New Zealand went to tea at 125-4.

Axar Patel had Henry Nicholls (1) dismissed lbw and New Zealand's middle order put up little resistance as Ashwin bowled Tom Blundell (2).

Kyle Jamieson (5) and Tim Southee (4) helped Ravindra eat up 11 overs before falling to Jadeja and there were

just 10.4 overs remaining in the day. The umpires checked fading light repeatedly but play carried on until the dramatic call-off with approximately two overs remaining.

Both sides earned four points for a draw in the World Test Championship. The second and final Test begins in Mumbai on Friday.



New Zealand's Tom Latham plays a shot during the day five of their first test cricket match with India in Kanpur, India. (AP)

## Travel limits 'force' Switzerland to call off student winter games

LUCERNE, Switzerland, Nov 29, (AP): The world university winter games in Switzerland were canceled Monday to help stop the spread of the new COVID-19 variant.

Organizers of the Winter Universiade in Lucerne cited "highly dynamic developments in the pandemic and related incoming travel restrictions" for the decision.

Students from more than 500 universities in at least 50 countries were scheduled to compete in 60 medal events from Dec. 11-21 at venues across central and eastern Switzerland.

They included delegations from several countries - including Australia, Britain and the Netherlands - which faced entering a 10-day quarantine required by the Swiss federal government to limit spread

of the omicron variant.

Sports officials and broadcasting staff traveling from abroad also faced being quarantined.

"As a result of these official restrictions, the Winter Universiade 2021 cannot now take place," organizers said in a statement.

The multi-sport event was already postponed during the pandemic from its original dates in January 2021.

"We are devastated and very sorry that we will not be able to welcome the athletes from all over the world, who have been preparing intensively for their competitions," organizing committee president Guido Graf said.

The next edition of the biennial winter games is scheduled for 2023 in Lake Placid, New York.

in the third quarter. But it, too, ended in turnover after he was stripped from behind by J.C. Jackson.

#### Broncos 28, Chargers 13

In Denver, Rookie Patrick Surtain II picked off Justin Herbert twice, returning the second one 70 yards for a touchdown. The Broncos' big win sets up a showdown for the AFC West lead next weekend in Kansas City, where the game between Denver (6-5) and the Chiefs (7-4) already was flexed to Sunday night.

Surtain's first interception came in the end zone on a pass intended for tight end Jared Cook early in the fourth quarter. The Broncos converted that takeaway into a touchdown when Teddy Bridgewater hit tight end Eric Saubert from 9 yards to make it 21-7.

#### 49ers 34, Vikings 26

In Santa Clara, Deebo Samuel ran for two touchdowns before leaving with an injury and Elijah Mitchell ran for 133 yards and a score.

The matchup between two .500 teams fighting for wild-card spots was a highly entertaining one with six scores in the third quarter alone, including a 99-yard kickoff return score by Minnesota's Kene Nwangwu.

But the 49ers (6-5) made just enough plays, including a fourth-down stop near the goal line midway through the fourth quarter, to win their third straight following a stretch of five losses in six games.

#### Giants 13, Eagles 7

In East Rutherford, The Giants' defense rose up to intercept Jalen Hurts three times and held Philadelphia to a season-low in points in beating the error-prone Eagles.

Daniel Jones hit Philadelphia native Chris Myarick with a 1-yard score and Graham Gano kicked field goals of 35 and 39 yards as the Giants (4-7) somewhat responded to the firing of offensive coordinator Jason Garrett by ending the Eagles' two-game winning

### NFL Results/Standings

WASHINGTON, Nov 29, (AP): Results and standings from NFL games on Sunday.

Atlanta	21	Jacksonville	14
Cincinnati	41	Pittsburgh	10
Miami	33	Carolina	10
NY Giants	13	Philadelphia	7
NY Jets	21	Houston	14
New England	36	Tennessee	13
Tampa Bay	38	Indianapolis	31
Denver	28	LA Chargers	13
Green Bay	36	LA Rams	28
San Francisco	34	Minnesota	26
Baltimore	16	Cleveland	10

#### American Conference

East						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
New England	8	4	0	.667	336	190
Buffalo	7	4	0	.636	326	182
Miami	5	7	0	.417	234	279
NY Jets	3	8	0	.273	199	334
South						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Tennessee	8	4	0	.667	304	230
Indianapolis	6	6	0	.500	340	283
Houston	2	9	0	.182	164	292
Jacksonville	2	9	0	.182	173	283

North						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Baltimore	8	3	0	.727	263	240
Cincinnati	7	4	0	.636	309	226
Pittsburgh	5	5	1	.500	224	267
Cleveland	6	6	0	.500	254	267

West						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Kansas City	7	4	0	.636	281	250
Denver	6	5	0	.545	228	196
LA Chargers	6	5	0	.545	273	293
Las Vegas	6	5	0	.545	259	295

#### National Conference

East						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Dallas	7	4	0	.636	326	250
Philadelphia	5	7	0	.417	304	273
Washington	4	6	0	.400	212	267
NY Giants	4	7	0	.364	202	253

South						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Tampa Bay	8	3	0	.727	347	253
Atlanta	5	6	0	.455	199	302
New Orleans	5	6	0	.455	257	249
Carolina	5	7	0	.417	236	253

North						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Green Bay	9	3	0	.750	283	242
Minnesota	5	6	0	.455	281	276
Chicago	4	7	0	.364	179	254
Detroit	0	10	1	.045	174	289

West						
W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA	
Arizona	9	2	0	.818	310	202
LA Rams	7	4	0	.636	299	263
San Francisco	6	5	0	.545	280	248
Seattle	3	7	0	.300	194	209

stream. The Eagles (5-7) were their own worst enemy. They had four turnovers, with running back Boston Scott losing a fumble that Julian Love recovered at the New York 40 with 1:34 to play.

#### Dolphins 33, Panthers 10

In Miami, Jaylen Waddle had nine catches for a season-best 137 yards and a touchdown, and the Dolphins forced Cam Newton into one of the worst statistical days of his career.

Myles Gaskin had two short rushing scores for Miami (5-7), the sixth team in NFL history to immediately follow a 1-7 start with four consecutive wins. Duke Riley blocked a punt that led to a score for Miami.

The quarterback matchup was totally one-sided. Miami's Tua Tagovailoa completed 27 of 31 passes for 230 yards and a score. Newton was pulled in the fourth quarter after completing just 5 of 21 passes for the Panthers (5-7), who lost for the seventh time in their past nine games.

#### Falcons 21, Jaguars 14

In Jacksonville, Cordarrelle Patterson scored twice in his return from an ankle injury, and the Falcons found the end zone and the win column for the first time in three weeks.

The Falcons (5-6) managed just a field goal in their previous two games, lopsided losses to Dallas and New England in which they turned over the ball a combined seven times and failed to score a touchdown in consecutive games for the first time since 1987.

They put an emphasis on playing "smarter football" against Jacksonville, and it paid off. It surely helped that the Jaguars (2-9) made all the early mistakes.

#### Jets 21, Texans 14

In Houston, Zach Wilson threw for 145 yards and ran for a touchdown in his return from a sprained right knee, helping the Jets snap a three-game skid.

Wilson, the No. 2 overall draft pick in April who missed the last four games, was rusty early and threw an interception, but put the Jets (3-8) on top with a 4-yard scamper in the third quarter.

The Jets converted two fourth-down attempts on a drive that ended with a 37-yard field goal by Matt Ammendola that made it 21-14 with about 3½ minutes to go.



Patterson