

## NHL Results/Standings

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14, (AP) - Results and standings from the NHL games on Wednesday.

Toronto	2	Montreal	1
Washington	5	NY Rangers	1
Anaheim	4	Winnipeg	1
Colorado	4	Chicago	2
Edmonton	3	Vancouver SO	2

## Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division						
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Toronto	1	0	0	2	2	1
Montreal	1	0	1	0	1	2
Tampa Bay	1	0	1	0	0	2
Detroit	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ottawa	0	0	0	0	0	0
Florida	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buffalo	0	0	0	0	0	0
Boston	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Metropolitan Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Pittsburgh	1	1	0	0	2	6	2
Washington	1	1	0	0	2	5	1
NY Rangers	1	0	1	0	1	5	1
NY Islanders	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Carolina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Columbus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
New Jersey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Philadelphia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Western Conference

Central Division							
GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Colorado	1	1	0	0	2	4	2
Chicago	1	0	1	0	0	2	4
Winnipeg	1	0	1	0	0	1	4
Nashville	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
St. Louis	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dallas	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Arizona	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Minnesota	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

## Pacific Division

GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA	
Anaheim	1	1	0	0	2	4	1
Vegas	1	1	0	0	2	4	3
Edmonton	1	1	0	0	2	3	2
Vancouver	1	0	1	1	2	3	3
Seattle	1	0	1	0	0	3	4
San Jose	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Los Angeles	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Calgary	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

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.

## Rugby league great Norm Provan 'dies'

SYDNEY, Oct. 14, (AP) - Rugby league great Norm Provan, who played in the first 10 of the St. George Dragons' record 11 consecutive premierships in Australia's top-flight competition from 1956-1966, has died. He was 88.

Both sides missing key players

## 'Old rivals' Mourinho meets Allegri in Serie A throwback

ROME, Oct. 14, (AP) - Declared enemies from the very beginning, Jose Mourinho and Massimiliano Allegri have never shied away from antagonizing each other.

The coaching masterminds have feuded ever since Mourinho's very first season in Italy - when the outspoken Portuguese manager was bothered that Allegri won a coach of the year award with Cagliari even though Mourinho had just won his first Serie A title at Inter Milan.

Having moved on to jobs at AC Milan and then Juventus, Allegri at times criticized Mourinho as "pathetic" and "lacking respect," while Mourinho reverted to loaded hand gestures aimed at the fans of Allegri's Juventus teams - most recently during a Champions League clash with Mourinho's Manchester United in 2018.

## SOCCER

Now, with Mourinho back coaching in Italy after more than a decade and Allegri back in Turin after two seasons away, the rivalry resumes on Sunday when Mou's Roma visits Max's Juventus.

It's shaping up as a pivotal match, too, with Juventus having registered three straight wins before the international break after a horrendous start, and Roma facing a title contender for the first time this season.

Both coaches are also in need of a convincing performance to shed their "defensive" and "catenaccio" labels in an age when free-flowing attacks have become the preferred style - as demonstrated by Italy's run to the European Championship title.

Having been fired by Tottenham in April after 17 months at the London club - his shortest spell at a club since he broke into the big time as a slick and self-confident coach of Porto at the start of the century - Mourinho has shown signs that he's open to change.

While his former teams were often mocked for "parking a bus" in front of the goal, Mourinho's arrival in the Italian capital was hailed with a mural showing him riding a Vespa and, indeed, Roma's attack has been buzzing.

Led by four goals each from captain Lorenzo Pellegrini and Jordan Veretout,

## Ovi scores 731st, 732nd goal as Capitals top Rangers in opener



Toronto Maple Leafs defenseman Rasmus Sandin (38) holds on to Montreal Canadiens forward Tyler Toffoli's (73) stick during the third period of an NHL hockey game in Toronto on Oct. 13. (AP)

Nylander breaks 3rd-period tie, Leafs beat Canadiens

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14, (AP) - While the fisticuffs never materialized, the Washington Capitals made a season-opening 5-1 victory against the division-rival New York Rangers memorable for Alex Ovechkin's 731st and 732nd goals and Hendrix Lapierre's first.

Ovechkin scored twice to pass Marcel Dionne for sole possession of fifth place on the NHL goals list, putting him a couple of steps closer to Wayne Gretzky's record that had long seemed unbreakable. And Gretzky was even part of Lapierre's goal, talking about his relationship with

Ovechkin on national television while the 19-year-old put the puck into the net and went sliding into the boards.

Lapierre was all smiles after his parents, grandparents, brother, sister and girlfriend witnessed his NHL debut as part of a sellout crowd and will always have the "Great One" on the highlight reel of his first goal. Ovechkin, one game into a new five-year contract to chase the mark, needs 163 goals to pass Gretzky.

## Maple Leafs 2, Canadiens 1

In Toronto, William Nylander broke a tie at 1:06 of the third period and Toronto beat Montreal in the opener for both teams.

Nylander took a pass from Morgan Rielly off the rush before faking a slap shot and high to goalie Jake Allen's short side.

In a rematch of Montreal's seven-game victory in the first round of the playoffs last season, Toronto won in front of 18,493 masked and fully vaccinated fans in Scotiabank Arena's first regular-season crowd since March 10, 2020.

## Ducks 4, Jets 1

In Anaheim, Calif., Mason McTavish became the youngest player in Anaheim history to score, leading the Ducks to a season-opening win over Winnipeg.

The 18-year-old McTavish - the third overall pick in this year's NHL draft - put in a loose puck 13:20 into the first period to give Anaheim a 2-0 lead.

At 18 years, 256 days old, McTavish surpassed the previous franchise mark set by Oleg Tverdokhovo (18 years, 259 days) on Feb. 1, 1995, at Dallas.

## Avalanche 4, Blackhawks 2

In Denver, Bowen Byram scored his first NHL goal and added an assist as short-handed Colorado beat Chicago in the opener for both teams.

## ICE HOCKEY

Nazem Kadri and Gabriel Landeskog each had a goal and an assist for Colorado, which played without star center Nathan MacKinnon and head coach Jared Bednar. Both are in the COVID-19 protocol and away from the team. Assistant coaches Ray Bennett and Nolan Pratt led the team against Chicago.

## Oilers 3, Canucks 2

In Edmonton, Alberta, Kyle Turris scored the shootout winner and Edmonton beat Vancouver in the season opener for both teams.

Jesse Puljujarvi and Zach Hyman scored in regulation for the Oilers, who squandered a late lead. Edmonton also got a pair of assists from Connor McDavid. Mike Smith finished with 36 saves.

Oliver Ekman-Larsson and Quinn Hughes scored for the Canucks. Thatcher Demko made 32 saves.



Washington Capitals left wing Alex Ovechkin (8) and New York Rangers right wing Ryan Reaves (75) can't get to the puck during the second period of an NHL hockey game on Oct. 13, in Washington. (AP)

## 2-time champ Kolkata advances to 3rd IPL final

SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates, Oct. 14, (AP) - Kolkata Knight Riders reached their first Indian Premier League final in seven years with a nervy three-wicket win over last year's finalist Delhi Capitals in the playoffs.

In a dramatic collapse, Kolkata lost seven wickets for 40 runs before managing to reach 136-7 after Venkatesh Iyer (55) and Shubman Gill (46) had contributed 96 runs for the opening-wicket stand.

Kagiso Rabada (2-23) and Andrich Nortje (2-31) claimed two wickets each and Ravichandran Ashwin picked up two wickets in the last over before Rahul Tripathi hammered a six to see

Kolkata through to their third IPL final.

Kolkata have turned the tide in their favor on the slow pitches of the United Arab Emirates, winning seven of their nine games since the IPL resumed after six months due to the pandemic.

## CRICKET

They beat Royal Challengers Bangalore in the eliminator and then their bowlers adjusted well on the slow and sluggish wicket of Sharjah on Wednesday to restrict Delhi to 135-5.

Iyer and Gill seemed to have sealed

the game with their solid first-wicket stand before Delhi made a stunning comeback.

Rabada, who had earlier dropped Iyer off his own bowling when the left-hander was on 23, finally had the batsman caught at deep square leg in the 13th over. Fast bowler Avesh Khan had Gill caught behind while Dinesh Karthik and Morgan both were clean bowled by Rabada and Nortje, respectively.

Ashwin brought the game closer when he had Shakib Al Hasan and Sunil Narine dismissed off successive deliveries before Tripathi's straight six off the fifth delivery finally saw Kolkata through to the final.

'We're all in good form and full of confidence'

## Leverkusen host Bayern as top 2 meet in Bundesliga

BERLIN, Oct. 14, (AP) - Bayer Leverkusen will be aiming to maintain its Bundesliga challenge longer than it did the last time it hosted Bayern Munich.

The teams are level on points at the top of the league going into Sunday's match. Although it's only been seven games, Leverkusen's start is giving grounds for optimism under coach Gerardo Seoane.

But it was a similar story last year. Leverkusen was unbeaten and at the top of the Bundesliga after 12 matches before Bayern's visit on Dec. 20. The home team got off to a great start with Patrik Schick scoring early. Then Robert Lewandowski equalized before the break and capitalized on a mistake from Jonathan Tah to score a dramatic winner in the third minute of injury time for Bayern's 2-1 victory.

Bayern took over as leader and went

on to claim a record-extending ninth consecutive title, while Leverkusen slumped under then-coach Peter Bosz. Bosz was fired in March after 10 losses in 17 games across all competitions, with Hannes Wolf taking over until the end of the season, when Leverkusen finished sixth.

Tah said it will be different this time. "The last time we kind of tripped up," the 25-year-old defender said. "I'm sure it won't happen to us now."

Tah said the team is benefitting from Seoane's input. Leverkusen has only lost once since the former Young Boys

coach from Switzerland took over - a hard-fought 4-3 setback at home against Borussia Dortmund.

"The coach has changed a lot in the dressing room," Tah said. "I have the feeling that something is changing, in a positive way. It's impressive."

## SOCCER

Leverkusen routed Arminia Bielefeld 4-0 in its last game before the international break. Bayern was surprised in a 2-1 loss at home against Eintracht Frankfurt.

"We can be proud. At the moment it's a lot of fun to play for Bayer Leverkusen," goalkeeper Lukás Hradecký said after the win in Bielefeld.

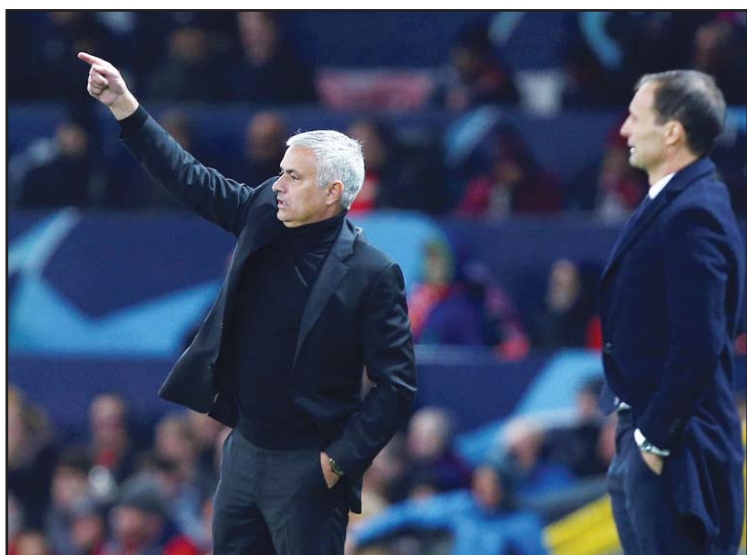
Leverkusen also enjoyed a 4-0 win at Celtic in the Europa League only

days before.

Seoane encourages his players to attack and Leverkusen's young team is seeing the benefit, with Schick, Moussa Diaby and Florian Wirtz all in top form. Schick has six goals in seven Bundesliga games, Diaby has chipped in with four, while the 18-year-old Wirtz has scored four and set up five more in only six league appearances.

Wirtz is the youngest Bundesliga player to rack up 10 goals. He's one of the many promising players in the squad. Dutch Defenders Mitchel Bakker and Jeremy Frimpong are 21 and 20, respectively, Piero Hincapié is 19 and fellow defender Odilon Kossounou is 20. Brazilian forward Paulinho is 21 and Diaby is 22.

"Everyone is part of the team, everyone gets his playing time," Hradecký said. "We're all in good form and full of confidence."



In this Oct. 23, 2018 file photo, ManU coach Jose Mourinho (left), gestures next to Juventus coach Massimiliano Allegri during the Champions League group H soccer match between Manchester United and Juventus at Old Trafford, Manchester, England. (AP)



Seoane