



California guard Leilani McIntosh (1) shoots against Stanford guard Haley Jones (30) during the first half of an NCAA college basketball game in Stanford, Calif., on Jan 21. (AP)

UConn routs Pirates

Jones, Stanford maul California

STANFORD, Calif., Jan 22, (AP) — Haley Jones scored eight of her season-high 26 points as part of a big run coming out of halftime, and No. 2 Stanford rolled past California 97-74.

Fran Belibi added a season-high 20 points and six rebounds to help the Cardinal (14-3, 5-0 Pac-12) to their seventh straight win over the Golden Bears. Hannah Jump scored 21 points.

Freshman Jayda Curry had a season-high 30 points for California (9-5, 0-3), becoming the first Bears player in more than two years to score that many.

Jones got rolling early, then helped Stanford break the game open in the third quarter on its way to a season high for scoring.

Stanford has won six straight since losing to No. 1 South Carolina 65-61 on Dec. 21.

UConn 71, Seton Hall 38

In Storrs, Conn., Olivia Nelson-Ododa had 17 points, 14 rebounds and five assists, and injury-depleted UConn beat Seton Hall.

BASKETBALL

The Huskies (10-4, 5-0 Big East), who lost at Oregon on Monday night, have not dropped consecutive games since March of 1993. They won their 166th straight conference game.

Evina Westbrook added 13 points and Dorka Juhasz had 12 points and nine rebounds for UConn, which had eight healthy players available.

Sidney Cooks led Seton Hall (8-8, 3-5) with 10 points.

Arizona 76, Utah 64

In Tucson, Ariz., Sam Thomas scored a season-high 25 points and tied a career best with six 3-pointers, and Arizona beat Utah for its fifth straight win in the series.

Cate Reese added 14 points for the Wildcats (13-2, 3-2 Pac-12), who had lost two of their previous three after reaching No. 4 in the AP Top 25, the highest regular-season ranking in program history.

Gianna Kneepkens had 15 points, Brynna Maxwell had 13 and Peyton McFarland had 12 for Utah (9-5, 0-2), which played its third game since Dec. 21 after a 23-day COVID-19 pause.

Arizona State 57, Colorado 52, OT

In Tempe, Ariz., Taya Hanson scored 17 points and short-handed Arizona State overcame 29 turnovers to beat Colorado.

The Sun Devils (9-5, 1-0 Pac-12) won their 14th straight in the series. Neither team made a field goal in overtime until Colorado guard Frida Formann sank a 3-pointer at the final buzzer.

Arizona State hadn't played since Dec. 30 due to six games being postponed.

Quay Miller scored 12 points for Colorado (13-3, 2-3).

Curry's first-career buzzer-beater hands Warriors' win over Rockets

Harden's triple-double helps Nets top Murray, Spurs 117-102

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan 22, (AP) — Stephen Curry hit a game-winning 20-foot jumper from the top of the key to beat the final buzzer, scoring 22 points and sending the Golden State Warriors past the Houston Rockets 105-103.

The sellout crowd went into a frenzy, confetti fell and Curry pumped his arms while dancing at midcourt - exhaling after he had missed two 3-pointers in the final 1:48. It was the first buzzer-beating winning shot of Curry's career.

Curry overcame a slow start to lift the tired, mentally spent Warriors back up from an ugly loss to Indiana a night earlier. He also dished out 12 assists.

Houston had the ball with 11.5 seconds left and the game tied at 103, but Garrison Mathews missed a 3 and Otto Porter Jr. secured the rebound before a Warriors timeout.

BASKETBALL

Curry shot 6 for 21 with four 3s. Andrew Wiggins added 17 points for the Warriors following a 121-117 overtime loss to the undermanned Pacers on Thursday night.

Nets 117, Spurs 102

In San Antonio, James Harden had 37 points, 11 assists and 10 rebounds, spoiling Dejounte Murray's ninth triple-double of the season as Brooklyn overpowered San Antonio.

Murray had 25 points, 12 rebounds and 10 assists for his second straight triple-double and 13th of his career, one shy of David Robinson's franchise record. Harden's triple-double was his 66th, which is eighth on the all-time list.

Kyrie Irving scored 24 points and LaMarcus Aldridge added 16 for the Nets, who are missing star Kevin Durant because of a knee injury.

Lakers 116, Magic 105

In Orlando, Fla., LeBron James scored 29 points and played exclusively at center in the second half as Los Angeles rallied from an eight-point



Golden State Warriors guard Stephen Curry (30) shoots the game-winning basket against Houston Rockets guard Kevin Porter Jr. (3) at the end of an NBA basketball game in San Francisco on Jan 21. (AP)

halftime deficit.

Los Angeles coach Frank Vogel replaced starting center Dwight Howard with James to start the second half, and the Lakers opened the third quarter on a 20-2 run. They outscored Orlando 31-16 in the third, making 13 of 23 shots and 5 of 8 3-pointers in the frame.

Carmelo Anthony scored 19 of his 23 points in the second half and hit four 3-pointers, while Stanley Johnson added 11 points off the bench. It was the eighth time the 37-year-old Anthony scored at least 20 points this season. Bucks 94, Bulls 90

In Milwaukee, Giannis Antetokounmpo had 30 points and 12 rebounds to help the Bucks overcome Grayson Allen's ejection.

Chicago's DeMar DeRozan scored 35 points, but missed a 3-pointer that would have put the Bulls ahead with 23 seconds left. Milwaukee's Khris Middleton made two free throws with 15.8 seconds remaining to close out the scoring.

Grizzlies 122, Nuggets 118

In Denver, Ja Morant scored 38

points and Memphis overcame Nikola Jokic's fourth straight triple-double to beat Denver.

Morant scored on floaters, runners,

fadeaways, 3-pointers, an emphatic alley-oop and driving layups while slicing through a variety of Nuggets defenders. He set a career high with 23 points in the first half and finished 15 of 26 from the field. Morant was six points shy of his career high and also had six rebounds and six assists.

Trail Blazers 109, Celtics 105

In Boston, Jusuf Nurkic grabbed an offensive rebound and hit a shot from the lane with 14 seconds left and Portland rallied past Boston.

Nurkic had 29 points and 17 rebounds - none bigger than his board after Jayson Tatum gave Boston a 104-103 lead with two free throws with 26.8 seconds to go. Anfernee Simons missed at the other end, and Nurkic grabbed the ball and softly put it in from a few feet out. The Blazers sealed the victory at the foul line.

Hawks 110, Heat 108

In Atlanta, Trae Young scored 28 points, Kevin Huerter added 21 and the Atlanta Hawks won their third straight game after nearly blowing an 18-point lead.

Miami was again without star guard

NBA Results/Standings

WASHINGTON, Jan 22, (AP) — Results and standings from the NBA games on Friday.

Charlotte	121	Oklahoma City	98	Milwaukee	94	Chicago	90
LA Clippers	102	Philadelphia	101	Brooklyn	117	San Antonio	102
LA Lakers	116	Orlando	105	Utah	111	Detroit	101
Atlanta	110	Miami	108	Memphis	122	Denver	118
Portland	109	Boston	105	Golden State	105	Houston	103
Toronto	109	Washington	105				

Eastern Conference				Western Conference				
Atlantic Division				Southwest Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	
Brooklyn	29	16	.644	Memphis	32	16	.667	—
Philadelphia	26	19	.578	Dallas	26	20	.565	5
Toronto	22	21	.512	New Orleans	17	28	.378	13-1/2
Boston	23	24	.489	San Antonio	17	29	.370	14
New York	22	24	.478	Houston	14	33	.298	17-1/2
Southeast Division				Northwest Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	
Miami	29	17	.630	Utah	30	16	.652	6
Charlotte	26	20	.565	Denver	23	21	.523	6
Washington	23	23	.500	Minnesota	22	23	.489	7-1/2
Atlanta	20	25	.444	Portland	19	26	.422	10-1/2
Orlando	8	39	.170	Oklahoma City	14	31	.311	15-1/2
Central Division				Pacific Division				
W	L	Pct	GB	W	L	Pct	GB	
Chicago	28	16	.636	Phoenix	35	9	.795	—
Milwaukee	29	19	.604	Golden State	33	13	.717	3
Cleveland	27	19	.587	LA Lakers	23	23	.500	13
Indiana	17	29	.370	LA Clippers	23	24	.489	13-1/2
Detroit	11	34	.244	Sacramento	18	29	.383	18-1/2

No. 17 Illinois falls 81-65 to Maryland

Michigan State ends Wisconsin's 7-game streak

MADISON, Wis., Jan 22, (AP) — Malik Hall scored 14 points and No. 14 Michigan State beat No. 8 Wisconsin 86-74 to snap the Badgers' seven-game winning streak.

Michigan State moved into first

place in the conference, ahead of Wisconsin (15-3, 6-2) and Illinois.

Johnny Davis scored 25 points and Brad Davison added 22 for Wisconsin, which struggled to score in the first half, fell behind by double digits and couldn't catch up.

The Spartans led 42-26 at halftime after holding the Badgers to 9-for-32 shooting.

Maryland 81, Illinois 65

In College Park, Md., Donta Scott scored a career-high 25 points and Maryland took advantage of Kofi Cockburn's absence to beat Illinois.

BASKETBALL

Cockburn was out with a concussion, and the Illini (13-5, 6-2 Big Ten) lost for the second consecutive game after winning six straight. It was a much-needed victory for Maryland, which has struggled all season and already went through a coaching change when Mark Turgeon exited in early December.

Bahrain top Kuwait in Asian Men's Handball

RIYADH, Jan 22, (KUNA) — Kuwait lost to Bahrain 15-29 in the Asian Men's Handball Championship.

The Kuwaiti team progressed to the quarterfinals, finishing second in Group A after being edged to a 27-26 defeat to group-leaders South Korea. Meanwhile, Iran defeated Iraq 28-25 in the same group alongside Kuwait and Bahrain.

Kuwait will face the Iranian team on Monday and Iraq on Wednesday.

3 flips for Hirano but 4th win for James at Winter X Games

ASPEN, Colo., Jan 22, (AP) — Ayumu Hirano landed the triple cork. Scotty James rode away with the win.

The calculus on the halfpipe remained hazy as ever when James notched his fourth career victory at the Winter X Games even though he didn't attempt snowboarding's most-difficult trick.

The question heading into the Olympics is whether it's even worth it.

SNOWBOARDING

Less than five weeks after becoming the first to do it in competition, Hirano again landed a triple-flipping jump on his first trick. But, as was the case the first time, Hirano could not land the next jump. Riders usually need to land at least five to complete a run, and nobody has yet made a triple cork part of a full run in competition.

It left Hirano, the two-time Olympic silver medalist, with a silver medal in Aspen, as well. And James, who took bronze in Pyeongchang four years ago,



Kaishu Hirano practices for the Winter X Games at Buttermilk in Aspen, Colo., on Jan 19. (AP)

earned another gold.

So far, James' best has featured the switchback double cork 1260 - a daunting, near-blind trick that involves two head-over-heels flips after riding backward up the wall, then spinning toward the top of the pipe.

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