#### UP NEXT **UW FOOTBALL** DAY Ch. 47 at Minnesota Saturday 3 p.m. **UW VOLLEYBALL** DAY vs. Indiana Saturday 7 p.m. **UW MEN'S HOCKEY** DAY TIME TV vs. Clarkson Saturday 6 p.m. **BSW UW WOMEN'S HOCKEY** DAY TIME vs. Minnesota Dec. 3 7 p.m. **UW MEN'S BASKETBALL** ΤV DAY TIME at Georgia Tech Wednesday 8:15 p.m. **UW WOMEN'S BASKETBALL** TIME DAY 4:30 p.m. vs. Boise State in Colorado Saturday **PACKERS** DAY TIME T۷ vs. L.A. Rams 3:25 p.m. Ch. 47 Sunday TIME T۷ **BUCKS** DAY BSW at Indiana Sunday 4 p.m.

|                      |  | TV      | RADIO    |
|----------------------|--|---------|----------|
| NBA                  |  |         |          |
| 6:30 p.m.            | Phoenix at Brooklyn                          | NBATV   |          |
| NHL                  |  |         |          |
| 6 p.m.               | Edmonton at Vegas                            | NHLN    |          |
| BIATHLON             | Bu w He                                      | NDCCN   |          |
| 9 p.m.               | BU: World Cup                                | NBCSN   |          |
|                      | MEN'S BASKETBALL                             | CDCCN   |          |
| 9 a.m.               | Louisville vs. Maryland                      | CBSSN   |          |
| 6 p.m.               | Marshall at Indiana                          | BTN     |          |
| 6 p.m.               | Emerald Coast Classic final                  | CBSSN   |          |
|                      | VOMEN'S BASKETBALL Wisconsin vs. Boise State |         | 1070 444 |
| 4:30 p.m.            |  |         | 1070 AM  |
| COLLEGE F            |  | Ch. 27  |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Georgia at Georgia Tech                      |         |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Maryland at Rutgers                          | BTN     |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Houston at UConn                             | CBSSN   |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Florida St. at Florida                       | ESPN    |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Wake Forest at Boston College                | ESPN2   |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Navy at Temple                               | ESPNU   |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Ohio St. at Michigan                         | Ch. 47  |          |
| 11 a.m.              | Texas Tech at Baylor                         | FS1     |          |
| 2:30 p.m.            | Penn St. at Michigan St.                     | Ch. 27  |          |
| 2:30 p.m.            | Northwestern at Illinois                     | BTN     |          |
| 2:30 p.m.            | Alabama at Auburn                            | Ch. 3   |          |
| 2:30 p.m.            | W. Kentucky at Marshall                      | CBSSN   |          |
| 2:30 p.m.            | Oregon St. at Oregon                         | ESPN    |          |
| 2:30 p.m.            | Indiana at Purdue                            | FS1     |          |
| 3 p.m.               | Tulsa at SMU                                 | ESPN2   |          |
| 3 p.m.               | LaMonroe at LaLafayette                      | ESPNU   |          |
| 3 p.m.               | Wisconsin at Minnesota                       | Ch. 47  | 1310 AM  |
|                      |  |         | 101.5 FM |
| 4 p.m.               | Grambling St. at Southern U.                 | NBCSN   |          |
| 6 p.m.               | Texas A&M at LSU                             | ESPN    |          |
| 6 p.m.               | West Virginia at Kansas                      | FS1     |          |
| 6:30 p.m.            | Oklahoma at Oklahoma St.                     | Ch. 27  |          |
| 6:30 p.m.            | Kentucky at Louisville                       | ESPN2   |          |
| 6:30 p.m.            | Tulane at Memphis                            | ESPNU   |          |
| 7 p.m.               | Notre Dame at Stanford                       | Ch. 47  |          |
| 8 p.m.               | Nevada at Colorado St.                       | CBSSN   |          |
| 9:30 p.m.            | BYU at South Carolina                        | ESPN    |          |
| 9:30 p.m.            | California at UCLA                           | FS1     |          |
| COLLEGE V            | VOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL                           |         |          |
| 7 p.m.               | Indiana at Wisconsin                         |         | 100.9 FM |
| 8 p.m.               | Nebraska at Purdue                           | BTN     |          |
| SKIING/SN            | OWBOARDING                                   |         |          |
| 2 p.m.               | FIS: World Cup                               | Ch. 15  |          |
| MEN'S SOC            | CCER   |         |          |
| 9 a.m.               | Wolverhampton at Norwich City                | NBCSN   |          |
|                      | Southampton at Liverpool                     | USA     |          |
| 9 a.m.               |  | Ch. 15  |          |
| 9 a.m.<br>11:30 a.m. | Leeds United at                              | CII. 15 |          |
|                      | Brighton & Hove Albion                       | CII. 15 |          |
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#### DIGEST

#### **BASEBALL**

#### **Escobar lands with Mets**

The New York Mets and All-Star infielder Eduardo Escobar agreed Friday to a free agent contract, according to a person familiar with the deal.

MLB Network reported the contract will pay Escobar \$20 million over two years.

The 32-year-old Escobar was a first-time All-Star in

2021, when he batted .253 with 28 homers and 90 RBIs for Arizona and Milwaukee.

#### **COLLEGE FOOTBALL**

### No. 4 Cincinnati still perfect

Desmond Ridder threw two touchdown passes and No. 4 Cincinnati, aiming to maintain its position among the top four in the College Football Playoff rankings, completed a perfect regular season by beating host East Carolina 35-13 in Greenville, North Carolina.

The Bearcats (12-0, 8-0 AAC, CFP No. 4) face Houston at home next week in the AAC title game. East Carolina fell to 7-5, 5-3.

No. 16 Utah 28, Colorado 13: Cameron Rising threw three touchdown passes, Tavion Thomas ran for 142 yards and a score and the host Utes (9-3, 8-1 Pac-12) handled the Buffaloes (4-8, 3-6) in Salt Lake City.

No. 22 San Diego State 27, Boise State 16: Jordon Brookshire led the offense to 24 unanswered points after replacing Lucas Johnson late in the first half, and the Aztecs (11-1, 7-1) claimed the Mountain West's West Division title after beating the Broncos (7-5, 5-3) in Carson, California.

No. 25 Arkansas 34, Missouri 17: KJ Jefferson threw for 262 yards and a touchdown to help the host Razorbacks (8-4, 4-4 SEC) beat the Tigers (6-6, 3-5) in Fayetteville.

Holtz bolts: Louisiana Tech and coach Skip Holtz are parting ways after nine seasons that included seven straight bowl appearances. Holtz is 64-49 with Louisiana Tech.

#### **ODDS AND ENDS**

The United States got a doubles victory but trail host Italy 2-1 during Davis Cup play in Turin. ... Aliyah Boston scored 12 points and the top-ranked South Carolina women's basketball team (7-0) posted a 79-38 victory over Elon (4-1) in Columbia.

- Staff, wire reports

**UW MEN'S HOCKEY** 

# Tie leaves unfulfilled feeling

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It was all there for Tarek Baker. An end-to-end rush. A move through two defenders in the offensive zone. A kick of the puck with his right skate to get it back on the tape of his lefthanded stick.

The University of Wisconsin men's hockey captain already had provided the late-third-period goal that got the Badgers to over-

time against Clarkson on Friday. The last move to complete a victory with less than a minute left in the extra session was



**Baker** 

just out of his reach. "It would have been nice to put that one in the back of the net," Baker said.

Baker couldn't finish off his solo effort in the last minute of overtime after the puck rolled off his stick at the end.

A 1-1 draw left a small gathering at the Kohl Center and Badgers players and coaches wanting more, but the NCAA doesn't allow for shootouts in non-conference games.

UW coach Tony Granato

#### Badgers 1, Clarkson 1

**Key:** Tarek Baker's fourth goal of the season ties the game late.

Next: 6 p.m. Saturday, vs. Clarkson, Kohl Center.

TV: Bally Sports Wisconsin.

against the NCAA rules that reserve shootouts only for conference games to assign extra points for the standings. Games are officially a tie if they finish five minutes of 3-on-3 overtime without a goal.

It was the first time that a tie game after 65 minutes at the Kohl Center didn't have a shootout — even an exhibition one for nothing Feb. 8, 2013.

"That was exciting. It should have been more exciting," Granato said. "NCAA hockey has to wake up. It's 2021 now, it's not back in the '50s and shootouts. This is entertainment. This is college play. The kids want to do shootouts and then the

right."

The Badgers had good reason for wanting to keep going: They had the momentum after Baker scored with 3:32 remaining in the third to equalize. They were confident in goaltender Jared Moe, who was "standing on his head," Baker said.

"We were starting to get things clicking there at the went on a postgame rant end of the game," Baker said. "We were all feeling good and now it's about taking that momentum into tomorrow's game."

A five-game losing streak turned into a six-game winless spell after the Badgers (4-10-1) couldn't exceed one goal for the ninth time in 15 games.

It was looking like a third shutout of the season until Baker won a faceoff with more than pride — since less than four minutes to play and went to the net. Daniel Laatsch and Ryder Donovan got shots on Clarkson goaltender Ethan Haider (33 saves) and the second rebound went to Baker in front for his team-'60s when where was no high fourth goal of the sea-

Clarkson's fourth line hockey. The kids want to beat UW's on the goal that put the Golden Knights ahead earlier in the third

game ends. It's just not period. Defenseman Jordan Power retrieved the puck below the goal line of the Clarkson zone and fed it up the middle for a Nick Campoli breakaway between UW defenders Josh Ess and Jesper Peltonen.

Campoli's shot past the glove side was the only one that got past Moe (23 saves), who made two highlight-reel saves in the second period to keep Clarkson (7-4-3) off the board. The first was off a Luke Santerno one-timer from the left side during a power play.

"I think that was huge for us, especially (since) our penalty kill hasn't been clicking very well recently," Moe said. "We're finding a way to battle through and really dig deep in."

The second came after Jack Jacome got his stick on the puck after UW's Sam Stange blocked Noah Beck's shot toward the bottom of the left circle. Jacome redirected the puck in on Moe, who kicked out his right pad to keep it out of the net.

Clarkson 0 0 1 0 - 1 Wisconsin 0 0 1 0 - 1 Second period period period antile, W, :03; Second period penatries: Bantle, W, :03; Jacome, C, :03; Inamoto, W, 7:39.

Third period: C – Campoli 2 (Power, Mobley), 9:15. W – Baker 4 (R. Donovan, Laatsch), 16:28. Penalty: Underwood, C, 10:50.

Saves: C (Haider 13:5-14-1) 33; W (Moe 7-8-6-2) 23. Power plays: C 0-for-1; W 0-for-1. **Att.** - 7,930.

#### **Big Ten**

From B1

heels by Nebraska in the first set, the Badgers responded in championship fashion to collect a 14-25, 25-23, 26-24, 25-18 victory to clinch at least a tie for the title, setting up a post-match celebration at the UW Field House complete with a trophy presentation, confetti and championship T-shirts.

The No. 5 Badgers (24-3, 16-3 Big Ten) were led by their fifth-year veteran stars as Dana Rettke had 18 kills and seven blocks and Sydney Hilley had 48 assists as she became the program's all-time assist leader. They had plenty of help as Grace Loberg chipped in with 14 kills and Lauren Barnes had a match-high 22 digs.

championships, those are things everybody dreams of," coach Kelly Sheffield said. "For these guys to win three of them, the distance they've traveled, they know how hard it is. Their first year in the league they finished seventh. Their last years, to go back-to-backto-back is just really special."

Hilley, who improved her career assist total to 5,849 to pass Laura Abbinante's record of 5,833, attributed the team's championship

run to hard work.

"Winning three in a row is a pretty hard thing to do," Hilley said. "It takes a lot of work behind the scenes that goes unrecognized. I'm just proud of the way that the team this year approached every day at practice, put in the work so we could put ourselves in position to have a chance to win it. This team has put in the work."

The Badgers saw quickly they'd have their work cut out for them Friday as No. 11 Nebraska, which entered the day tied with them for first place, dominated the first set. The Cornhuskers hit .462 in the set and recorded four service aces to win their first set against the Badgers since 2018, snapping a streak of 14 sets.

"Nebraska came out and was playing at a really high "Winning a Big Ten level and putting in some filthy serves and they kept with that the entire match," Sheffield said. "Their serving was so good. But we didn't panic. It was kind of a bend, don't break mentality at times with our serve receive. I thought we executed the end game really well.

"I think the heart and the toughness and the courage this team played with was unbelievable and inspiring."

Sheffield shifted the matchups after the first set serving issues and also saw

his team's block step up. After just one team block in the first set, the Badgers finished with 14.

"We felt like we were not a great matchup in the first set," Sheffield said. "And our block came alive. We talked about being more physical at the net. We let some balls kind of squeak through that we probably should've been all over. But they came out going 100 miles an hour on us."

As impressive as Nebraska (20-7, 14-4) was in that first set, Rettke was confident her team would withstand that onslaught going into the second set. "Looking everyone in the

eye, we knew we had this," Rettke said. "We were going to bounce back and we were going to keep fighting and play Badger volleyball."

They were down 20-19 in the second set before finishing with a 6-3 run as Devyn Robinson provided the decisive kill after the Huskers had fought off one set point.

Nebraska fought off two set points in the third set, pulling even at 24 on an ace by Madi Kubik. But the Badgers closed out with kills by Rettke and Loberg to go up 2-1.

The Badgers jumped out to a 10-4 lead in the fourth in an effort to even out the set, but the Huskers rallied to get within 16-14. The

Badgers responded with an 8-1 run behind the serving of Jade Demps and then Giorgia Civita to open up a 24-15 lead. After a threepoint Nebraska run, Rettke got the finishing kill.

The Badgers still have some work to do as they need to beat Indiana (10-21, 4-15) on Saturday to claim the title outright. Another victory also would solidify their claim on a top-four seed in the NCAA tournament, which would give them the opportunity to host the first two weekends.

"These guys are greedy," Sheffield said. "They're not going to want to share this with anybody. They've got a big game (Saturday) to end this the right way. It's senior night and they want to be playing their best volleyball going into the tournament.

"With the experience these guys have, they know for certain not to take anyone for granted. We've got more work to do to put the exclamation point on this Big Ten season."

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Wisconsin 14 25 26 25
NEBRASKA (kills-digs-blocks) — Hames
2-8-1, Knuckles 4-9-0, Caffey 7-1-6, Evans
0-1-0, Akana 0-7-0, Rodriguez 0-13-0,
Kubik 15-8-2, Sun 7-3-4, Lauenstein 6-3-3,
Datablech Batenhorst 0-0-0, Stivrins 9-2-4. Totals

WISCONSIN (kills-digs-blocks) — Barnes 0-22-0, Hilley 2-11-4, Boyer 0-2-0, Civita 0-11-0, Robinson 10-2-7, Ashburn 0-2-0, Smrek 3-0-5, Demps 5-6-1, Rettke 18-0-7, Loberg 14-0-3, Orzol 3-7-1. Totals 55-63-14. Hitting percentage — N.168, W.225. Aces — N 10 (Akana 5), W 4 (Civita 3). **Assists** — N 43 (Hames 36), W 53 (Hilley 48). **Att.** — 7,540.

**BUCKS** 

## Sixth straight victory easy from the tip

MICHAEL KELLY **Associated Press** 

DENVER - Giannis Antetokounmpo had 24 points and 13 rebounds, Pat Connaughton scored 20 points off the bench and the Milwaukee Bucks beat the depleted Denver Nuggets 120-109 on Friday night for their sixth straight win.

Antetokounmpo hit 10 of 13 shots in just 30 minutes, and the Bucks never trailed in winning by double digits for the third straight game.

Aaron Gordon led the Nuggets with 19 points and nine rebounds. Will Barton scored 17, and Facu Campazzo finished with 16 points for Denver.

Milwaukee, which never trailed, threatened to run the Nuggets off the court from the start. The Bucks led 24-8 early in the first quarter and were up by 17 points in the second quarter before Denver made a run to get within 48-43 with 3:45 left in the period.

Milwaukee led by 11 at halftime. The Nuggets closed within five in the third quarter. They



#### **Bucks 120, Nuggets 109**

**Key:** Milwaukee shoots 63% from the field.

> Next: 4 p.m. Sunday, at Indiana, BSW.

had a chance to make it a one-possession game, but Monte Morris missed a 3-pointer. The Bucks built a 19-point lead late in the quarter. Denver got within 12 points in the fourth period but never threatened.

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**MILWAUKEE** — G.Antetokounmpo 10-13 3-9 24, Middleton 5-11 3-3 17, Portis 5-12 0-0 11. Allen 3-6 2-2 10. Holiday 7-10 1-2 0-0 11, Alien 3-6 2-2 10, Holliday 7-10 1-2 16, Kalaitzakis 1-1 1-1 3, Nwora 3-5 0-0 8, T.Antetokounmpo 0-0 0-0 0, Mamukelashvili 0-0 0-0 0, Hood 3-3 0-0 6, Connaughton 7-8 2-3 20, Hill 2-4 0-5. Totals 46-73 12-20 120. 0-0 15, Ja.Green 1-9 0-0 2, Barton 7-20 1-2 0-0 15, Ja.Green 1-9 0-0 2, Barton 7-20 1-2 17, Morris 6-14 0-0 15, Cancar 3-4 2-2 10, Cornelie 2-3 0-0 4, Bol 0-0 0-0 0, Nnaji 1-4 1-2 4, Campazzo 5-11 3-3 16, Howard 3-4 0-0 8, Rivers 0-4 0-0 0. Totals 40-92 12-14 109. 3-point goals – M 16-33 (connaugnton 4-5, Middleton 4-9, Nwora 2-3, Allen 2-5, Hill 1-3, Holiday 1-3, Portis 1-4), D 17-47 (Je. Green 3-4, Morris 3-6, Campazzo 3-8, Cancar 2-2, Howard 2-3, Barton 2-13, Gordon 1-2, Ja.Green 0-3, Rivers 0-4). Rebounds – M 44 (G.Antetokounmpo 13), D 31 (Barton, Gordon

14, D 19. Att. - 19,520.

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