## THE SCORE

## Cougars romp, beat Geckos 57-36

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The Acadeny of Our Lady of Ciuamis 1-2-3 punch of Nia Taitano, Toric Rapadas and Oriana Scvilla led the Cougars to a 57.36 win over the George Washington High Geckos Iuesday.
It was the first game back in more than a week for the Guan Department of Education"s Interscholastic Sports Association High Sithool Girls Basketball leaguc atter public and private schorols pushed schedules batk a week.
At the Cougars gym. Academy was on fire from the start. They raced to a 19.7 lead after the first quarter and kept the lead at the half, 28-13.
While the Cougars scored at will, they had no answer for the Cieckos Soreena Orpindo, who scored all

## Angels

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winning it
"We filt prety stoked about it," sand Sgambellusi "Making history right here"
"lis pretty cool. It's the first team ever for CiAA so 8 taking the first win fecls goon," said Marques.
Guam Adventist's second doubles team of Elliott Retumban and Adrian Helm joined their teammates in victory with an $8-3$ win over CilW's Abraham Alokoa and

## Tritons

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basket in the fourth quarter while the Cougars kept up the pressure.
Taitano and Rapadas scored 10 points cach, while Sevilla had 8 , including two 3 -pointers to lead the Cougars. Annika Al mario also hit a 3 -pointer in the second guarter
"Cictting back on the court after a long break involved a lat of dedication from everyone wic learned to power through it and trust cach other to get back into our rhythm." said Al. mario.

## Other games

In other games, John F . Kiennedy High defeated St . John's School 45-37. OkNodo High beat Notre Dame High 68-49. Southern High played Tiyan High and Guam High visited Silnon

## in."

Asked if the match felt any different than others he had played, Oh was quick to reply. "Ihis win did fect very different because I felt like when 1 won, $t$ helped my team win. Instead of it being my win. it was the team that won." he said.
Giuam Adventist's Samued Jung defaned CW's Carlos Montcjo 8. 2 to complete the swecp.
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match, 5-4.
On Sunday, the Lady Tritons fell $14-7$ against 'ream PPP, the eventual womer's division championship-

With only four tearns, the Lady Tritons advanced to the playoffs, bus lost 8-3 to the defending champions, 'Itam Slay.

Sanchez High but those scores werent available as of ${ }^{5} \mathrm{pm}$. Wednesday:
On Monday, there was one ganne played - Suint Pual Christan School deleated Harvest Christian Acadeny 68-15.
Saint Paul coath Derin Stinnett said her team was cager to get going after months of delays and uncertainty
"We played well executing on defense and running early offense, which allowed for an carly lead. Our bench, unfortumatel: has been shortened due to

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3 drop off in players and we plan to strategically rotate players as much as we can as games go on," she said.
Daren Hechanova, St. John's assistant coach called it a tough loss to 1 HK
"IFK is a real solid team and they were hitting their shots. We just have to move on to the next one and bounce back stronger," he said. "It's a learning process and our girls will continue to get better."
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## Some players feel lucky to go to Super Bowl

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Jient Jaytor missed the Super Bowl in Miami with San Francisco because of a font injury that cost him the entire 2019 season．
The wide receiver hass a rare second chance with Cincinnati two years later．
And yes．it means so very much．
＂It＇s a huge deal for me personally because you know guys in this league ．．． ghyss will play I2， 15 years and never get an oppor－ tunity to go to the Super Bowl＂Taytor said．＂So once I missed that tirst op． portunity：I didn＇t know if it would ever come back，＂
Taytor says being in this game might not really hit him until the Bengals land in Los Angeles on Tucsday： the 5 foot－8 Taylor was a fifth－round pick out of Louisiana Tech in 2017 and Mayed 41 games with the Niners．
Cincinnati signed Tay－ lor to the practice squad in Sepumber，and he plajed in four games during the regular seasme Taylor has handled punt returns in cach playoff game－the tirst threc of his career－ and knows he ll be playing

tn this Super Bowl．
＂Actuatly playing in the game．it＇s going to be a huge deal for me，＂Taylor said． ＂tm 100\％looking formard to it and so thankful for an． other opportunity at it．＂
laylor＇s not the only one teeling ludky this super Bowl at Sofit stadium in 1．05 Angeles．
Enc Weddle played 12 NFI，seasons，then resired after the 2019 sthedule． Thanks to a call from the Los Angeles Rams－des－ perate at the time after in－ juries in the sceondary－ the two－lime All Pro safoty finally will play in the game that eluded him in stints with the Chargers and Bal－
timorc．
Pretty luaky timing for Weddle．Same for the Rams．
Wedule 37，went from working out to slay in shape for pickesp ball io beiag the Rams＇leading tackler in the NFC championsthp gane．He went frem play－ ing 19 snaps in the Rams wild－ard win over Arizona to 61 in the divisional win over Iom Brady and the defenting champion Tam－ pa Bay Buacancers
Then wedde ked the Rums with ninc tackles． including one for a loss． helping los Angeles clinch their second super Howl berth in four scasons and
the satiety＇s first．
＂Eric Weddle has inject－ ed an amazing amount of positive energy．＂Rams coach Scan McVay said．
Like weddle，Brandon Powell was out of loot－ ball just hoping for a call atter going undratied out of Florda lollowing stints， with four other NFI，teams．
The Rams signed him to their practice squad Nov． 4．and he made his Jehut Dec． 5 alter being a practice squad devaton．The wide receiver has been an imme－ diale hit as a kick returner

Pawell helped E．os Ange les clinch a playotf terth by returning a punt 61 yards for a toukhdown Dew． 26 in

[^1]said linder．＇the numbers are not going down，but the good thing is that the severity of the cases hasrit been so bad．so hopefully we can be on top of it with our mitigation．But things can change，so never say never．

Linder said some athletes have been contact－traced and some schools have reported positive cases anong athletes．
lt＇s resulted in some shuf－ fled game schedules，he 5ald．but the majority of schedule reshumfing is a re－ sult of schools not fielding full teams．
＂Other than that it hamn＂t been an overwhelming thing we couldnit handle． he said．

## Outdoor sports

Hundreds of people showed up at the opening of the high school paddling season on Saturday．

Mitigation etforts are in place at Matapang Beach with masks and social dis． tancing mandatory－cven as the beach．Linder satid that they really cant con－ trol the number of people there，as many could be av－ crage beachgocrs who stop to watch the races． Burrow carrinet the batl agabist the Chiofor dering the second hat of the AFC Championship Garne on Sunday，Jan． 31, 2022．In Kanses City，Mo．
a 30－23 win at Minnesota． Now hes played in the tirst three playoff games of his carcet，relurning five punts for 79 yards and four kick． offs for 71 yards
The Super Bowl is next Not bud for someone who was reading books on a beach near has Florida home last fall．

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    Contmed from Page 32 their guests to their coach es at least the day before their game spectators who want to watch must check their names against a list at the event gate they are asked about symproms and $\infty$ individually checked tor fe－害 ver．They must wear masks and practice social distanc－ ing at the cuent．
    We voted on a limit，but the individual school ad－ ministrators can choose to ghave stricter guidelines．

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