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WEARING THE 2024 Doctor of Golf jacket, champion Padraig Harrington raises the trophy after winning the Hoag Classic during the final round Sunday at Newport Beach Country Club. It was a stroke better than first-round leader Thongchai Jaidee of Thailand.

Harrington makes birdie putt to win Hoag Classic

BY MATT SZABO

Professional golfer Padraig Harrington has gained quite a following on YouTube with his "Paddy's Golf Tips."

While fundamentals are undoubtedly important for any golfer, the mental fortitude to overcome two double-bogeys in the final round of a tournament? That doesn't necessarily come included.

Harrington did it Sunday at Newport Beach Country Club. He came into the final round ahead by a stroke, and he came out of it in the same position.

The Irishman holed an 8-foot birdie putt on No. 18 to win his first Hoag Classic in windy condi-

tions.

Harrington, 52, who won his seventh PGA Tour Champions event overall, finished at 14 under par. That was a stroke better than first-round leader Thongchai Jaidee of Thailand, with Miguel Angel Jimenez of Spain in third place at 12 under par.

Stephen Ames finished fourth at 11 under, with Jerry Kelly and KJ Choi tied for fifth at 10 under.

"If you said to me before going out there that I was going to make two double-bogeys, I would be thinking, 'There's no way I'm winning today,'" Harrington admitted. "[But] I think one of my best traits in golf is



PADRAIG HARRINGTON hits from the green-side bunker and puts it close to the pin on the 18th hole during the final round on Sunday.

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GAVIN CURRAN

will serve as acting city manager of Laguna Beach. Interim City Manager Sean Joyce's last day on the job will be Friday.



Courtesy of the city of Laguna Beach

Gurran fills in as search for city manager continues in Laguna

BY ANDREW TURNER

Laguna Beach will experience more reorganization of city leadership, as interim City Manager Sean Joyce participated in his final regular meeting of the City Council on Tuesday.

Joyce, who retired as the city manager of Irvine in 2018, was brought in to fill the role on Sept. 7. The hire took place following the exit of former City Manager Shohreh Dupuis, who reached a separation agreement with the city on Aug. 24.

Recruitment to find the next permanent city manager in Laguna Beach is still ongoing.

"The City Council has appointed Gavin Curran, the assistant city manager, to serve as the acting city manager following the interim city manager's departure this Friday, when he turns into a pumpkin," City Atty. Megan Garibaldi said when she reported out of the closed session proceedings.

Joyce received a round of applause, and a

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Planners build on housing vision

Costa Mesa seeks public input on plans to turn Fairview Development Center into a 'unique' future neighborhood.

BY SARA CARDINE

A network of bike trails crisscrossing wide open spaces, community-sized businesses within walking distance of stacked flats or townhomes occupied by residents with modest incomes — it sounds like the stuff of fantasy, but Costa Mesa hopes to give it a go.

The city has in recent months been engaging locals in a visioning process for redeveloping a 100-acre portion of the Fairview Developmental Center into at least 2,300 units of housing, 40% of which will be for occupants currently earning less than \$114,800 as a family of four.

A bulk of the property is being disposed by the state, which has earmarked a 15-acre portion the establishment of a regional Emergency Operations Center, but will soon begin looking for a master developer to purchase the remainder of the property and implement a building program in accordance with guidelines to be

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'Exciting' change at area hospitals

Now former Fountain Valley Regional Hospital is one of 4 community medical centers newly acquired by UCI Health.

BY MATT SZABO

Arriving to work at 7 a.m. Wednesday morning, Adrienne Feilden was unsure of exactly what to expect.

The acclaimed child life specialist at Fountain Valley Regional Hospital knew the sale of her community hospital to UCI Health had been finalized hours earlier, so she wasn't too surprised when she saw a huge "UCI Health" sign at the corner of Warner Avenue and Euclid Street.

The rebranding happened quickly. UCI Health has now officially purchased Fountain Valley and three other community hospitals — Lakewood Regional

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O.C. families heed the call to hunt for beeping Easter eggs

Even as a steady rain was falling, families served by Beyond Blindness took part in the annual sensory Easter egg hunt Saturday at the Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort & Marina.

Colorful beeping eggs are donated for the event by the Orange County Sheriff's Department to help children who have disabilities, including visual impairments, locate them on the Newport Dunes lawn.

The Yu family of Costa Mesa, attending for the second time, brought 3-year-old Kai and Alana, who is 18 months old and receives services from Beyond Blindness.

"We love attending the Beyond Blindness family enrichment events," said mother, Tuyen Yu. "The staff is always super



THREE-YEAR-OLD Kai Yu gathered colorful Easter eggs during the Beyond Blindness Beeper Egg hunt.

friendly, kind and compassionate."

Libby Hawkes, manager of culture and communications for Santa Ana-based Beyond Blindness, said,

"We're so dedicated to providing these services that we just made sure to make this happen despite the rain."

— Susan Hoffman



Susan Hoffman

A HANDFUL of kids came out to gather eggs after the rain stopped at the Beyond Blindness Beeper Egg Hunt on Saturday at Newport Dunes Waterfront Resort.

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- 3/31 LYNCH MOB - *THE FINAL RIDE*
- 4/4 THE KINGSTON TRIO
- 4/5 ULI JON ROTH
- INTERSTELLAR SKY GUITAR TOUR
- 4/6 RONSTADT REVIVAL (*LINDA RONSTADT TRIBUTE*)
- 4/7 CINDERELLA'S TOM KEIFER
- 4/8 GILBERT O'SULLIVAN
- 4/10 JOAN OSBORNE ACOUSTIC TRIO
- 4/11 JIMMIE VAUGHAN
- 4/12 ROGER CLYNE & THE PEACEMAKERS
- 4/13 TINSLEY ELLIS
- 4/14 THE FABULOUS THUNDERBIRDS
- 4/18 SPONGE
- 4/19 RICHIE FURAY
- 4/20 GEOFF TATE
- 4/21 VONDA SHEPARD / JACK TEMPCHIN
- 4/25 ISRAEL VIBRATION & ROOTS RADICS
- 4/26 FIVE FOR FIGHTING WITH STRING QUARTET
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- 4/28 BOB ANDERSON (*FRANK SINATRA TRIBUTE*)
- 5/3 OZZY vs AC/DC
- 5/4 STEVE TYRELL
- 5/5 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS
- 5/7 BLUES TRAVELER
- 5/8 JUDY COLLINS
- 5/9 CALIFORNIA GUITAR TRIO
- 5/10 TOMMY TUTONE (*FULL BAND*) / WHEN IN ROME
- 5/11 PAT BOONE
- 5/15 MR BIG - THE BIG FINISH TOUR
- 5/17 JOHN CRUZ
- 5/18 VENICE
- 5/19 THE LETTERMEN
- 5/22 THE WAILERS
- 5/24 DSB (*JOURNEY TRIBUTE*)
- 5/26 BLACKHAWK



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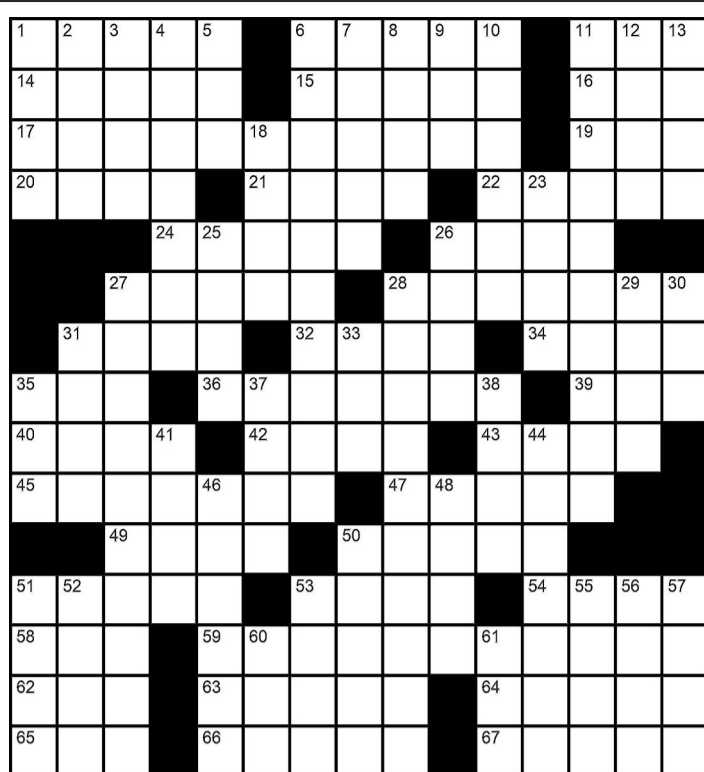
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- 6/16 ELVIN BISHOP BIG FUN TRIO
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- THE ULTIMATE 80s TRIBUTE!
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- 7/20 Y&T 50TH ANNIVERSARY
- 7/26 KEN GARCIA
- 7/27 BOB SCHNEIDER
- 7/28 BOBBY GRAY
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- 8/3 CUBENSIS (*GRATEFUL DEAD TRIBUTE*)
- 8/17 PIANO MEN: GENERATIONS
- (*BILLY JOEL AND ELTON JOHN TRIBUTE*)
- 8/23 SUPER DIAMOND (*NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE*)
- 8/24 SUPER DIAMOND (*NEIL DIAMOND TRIBUTE*)
- 8/29 THE PETTYBREAKERS (*TOM PETTY TRIBUTE*)
- 8/30 MIDGE URE
- 8/31 MICK ADAMS & THE STONES
- 9/8 AN EVENING WITH JOHN LYDON
- "I COULD BE RIGHT, I COULD BE WRONG"
- 9/14 JOURNEY USA (*JOURNEY TRIBUTE*)
- 9/15 BENISE: FIESTA!
- 9/22 JANE MONHEIT
- 9/25 ANA POPOVIC
- 9/27 DAVE MASON
- 10/3 ZEBRA w/SPECIAL GUESTS FUZZBUBBLE
- 10/6 DAVE HAUSE
- 10/18 GARY PUCKETT & THE UNION GAP
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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

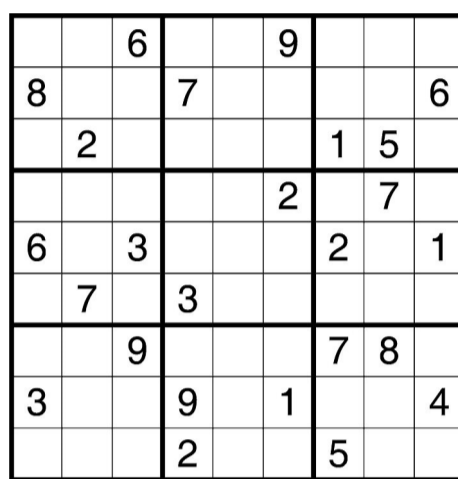
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 - 15 Stan's pal
 - 16 Need to repay
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 - 20 Immerse in water
 - 21 Each: 2 wds.
 - 22 Not idle: 2 wds.
 - 24 Snap-together toys
 - 26 Artsy Southwest town
 - 27 Stand: 2 wds.
 - 28 Luvs competitor
 - 31 Fizzy drink
 - 32 Climate change sci.
 - 34 Great lake
 - 35 "I got it!"
 - 36 Stretches out
 - 39 Journalist _ B. Wells
 - 40 This and that
 - 42 Uncommon
 - 43 Greek war god
 - 45 Formally pulls out
 - 47 Positive reviews
 - 49 Symbol of Ireland
 - 50 Radar detection
 - 51 Grilled corncake
 - 53 Wyo. neighbor
 - 54 Take a nap
 - 58 Actor's signal
 - 59 One who can't stay true
 - 62 That guy's
 - 63 Gone from the plate
 - 64 Great Plains people
 - 65 Opposite of WSW
 - 66 Barely-famous celebrities
 - 67 School paper
- DOWN**
- 1 "Memory" musical
 - 2 One who saves
 - 3 Soprano's solo
 - 4 Highly amused
 - 5 Look at
 - 6 "General Hospital" et al.: 2 wds.
 - 7 Choir section
 - 8 Pig's meal
 - 9 Little taste
 - 10 Answer to "Are you ready?": 3 wds.
 - 11 Show like "Our Planet"
 - 12 Has
 - 13 Heredity unit
 - 18 Prego rival



SUDOKU

By the Mephram Group

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit sudoku.org.uk.



For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A4.

- 23 "Nuh-uh"
- 25 Greek vowels
- 26 Small Starbucks size
- 27 Beet salad topping: 2 wds.
- 28 Electricity facility
- 29 Clears
- 30 "The Old Man and the _"
- 31 Piece of footwear
- 33 Coupe or sedan
- 35 Sit-up muscles
- 37 Get set
- 38 Put away
- 41 Disorganized pile
- 44 Remedy
- 46 Like saris and togas
- 48 Very long time
- 50 31-Down bottoms
- 51 Yearn (for)
- 52 Financially destroy
- 53 _ Field (The Mets' home)
- 55 Important times
- 56 Genesis maker, once
- 57 Three-pointer
- 60 Actor Linden
- 61 Female deer

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COSTA MESA will later this year begin drafting a specific plan calling for the development of at least 2,300 units of housing on the former site of the state-owned Fairview Developmental Center.

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Los Angeles Times

HOUSING

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drafted at the municipal level.

Residents have been invited to weigh in at multiple workshops, held in English, Spanish and via teleconference, since November, where talks have corralled comments about amenities, building types, parking, access and mobility.

Consultants from the Los Angeles-based Placeworks, Inc. on Monday updated the Costa Mesa Planning Commission on progress made so far, laying out a process during which the city plans to prepare a specific plan and environmental impact report necessary for the work to begin.

"Our goal right now is to create the vision and guiding principles, a working draft of these, to really help give us a north star and a guiding point as we start to pull the documents together," project manager Suzanne Schwab told commissioners.

A specific plan is a zoning document that sets limits, expectations and requirements for a particular area above and beyond the city's general plan. Once completed, the Fairview Developmental Center Specific Plan will guide developers into how the site and what's built on it should look, feel and operate.

Consultants working alongside city staff have been compiling wishes and worries conveyed by residents, and a vision is begin-

ning to form, Schwab said.

"They're really in support of housing being a priority use but also see opportunities for civic and community services as well as open space and an opportunity for a new and unique perspective on mobility, transit and parking here," she said, listing childcare services, clinics, bike and pedestrian paths, sports fields and shade trees as expressed priorities.

A specific plan may also lay out what building scenarios the city would like to see on the site, such as single-family attached homes, multifamily apartments, townhouses with courtyards and retail or commercial uses mixed in.

Placeworks Principal Karen Gully explained that while the vision is up to Costa Mesa, it will have to be financially feasible for developers, who will ultimately be footing the bill for the work.

"Our overall goal as a consulting team here is to ensure we prepare a specific plan that is desirable to build, meaning you'll have multiple master developers wanting to come forward and build this, it works financially and it best addresses the vision of the community," Gully said.

Drafting of the specific plan and EIR are anticipated to begin later this year and will take about eight months. The public will be allowed to review the documents and can comment at hearings before the Planning Commission and City Council, likely in 2025. After that, the

state will select a master developer, and the entitlement process will begin.

Some on Monday urged Costa Mesa leaders to allow residents to more deeply engage in the planning process. Richard Huffman, a member of the citizens advocacy group Costa Mesa First, called the city's outreach process superficial and suggested an advisory committee led by an expert be formed, as was done when the city developed its Westside Specific Plan in 2000.

"The Fairview Developmental Center deserves the same kind of attention to achieve a result that reflects the concerns of the residents," he said.

Planning Commission Chair Adam Erath disagreed, saying, "It seems like it would just sandbag the process and keep us from moving forward in meeting our deadlines."

Co-chair Russell Toler said he was pleased to see in workshop attendees a willingness to consider a mix of walkable, car-free open space with high-density housing, the likes of which are more common in Europe than America.

"This is a big opportunity for us to push the envelope," he said, describing a vision of a greenbelt extending from Fairview Park and the Costa Mesa Country Club, adjacent to the 100-acre site, eastward toward Back Bay. "We should err on [the side of] being ambitious."

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Ruck march draws attention to veteran suicides

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Carrying at least 22 pounds of gear on their backs to bring attention to the significant number of veterans who die by suicide every day, about 100 people participated in a ruck march Saturday from Huntington Beach to Newport Beach.

It was the first such event organized by American Legion Newport Harbor Post 291, according to post historian John Arganda.

"We're trying to bring veteran suicide awareness to the actual public," Arganda said in a recent interview. "That's part of the reason we [marched] from Huntington Beach to Newport Beach. As you know, it's one way to get people to see what we're doing, but it also lets people know who we are. We also were trying to bridge gaps between other organizations within the community, as well, because I feel that we should



James Carbone

ABOUT 100 PEOPLE take part in the ruck march organized by American Legion Newport Harbor Post 291 to bring awareness to the statistic that 22 veterans die by suicide a day.

be working together," said Arganda.

That includes organizations like the Elks Lodge, Team Red, White and Blue

and the Quick Reaction Foundation.

Arganda, who served in the U.S. Army, said the idea to organize the march

came to him after other groups did similar events. He thought a local march would not only be a way to bring awareness to the

problem but could also serve as a fundraiser for the post's charitable work.

Arganda reported the march raised \$2,156 Saturday for his organization's veteran emergency assistance fund, which helps more than 20 people a month. The entry fee to the march was \$22.

"I don't think a lot of people realize [the problem of veteran suicide] is actually something to combat as much as possible because these guys have sacrificed for our country," said Arganda. "The 22 pounds is the weight of the 22 veterans a day we carry."

The statistic of 22 veterans dying by suicide daily was first reported in 2013, when the United States Department of Veterans Affairs released a study that covered reported suicides from 1999 to 2010. The number has improved somewhat since then, as a U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs 2023 report

showed the suicide number dropped to 18 daily, but the average rate of suicides per day for veterans rose from 16.4 in 2001 to 17.5 in 2021.

Saturday's ruck march started at Huntington Beach Pier and ended at the American Legion Newport Harbor Post 291 — a distance of about 6.8 miles.

Arganda said that despite the solemn nature of the event, participants were in high spirits even as a brief storm hit the area.

"As soon as we stepped off, it started raining a bit but everyone pushed on and persevered. People were having a blast," he said on Monday.

As part of the event, the group brought out a color guard and the national anthem was played. The Combat Veterans Motorcycle Assn. proceeded those on foot.

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Medical Center, Los Alamitos Medical Center and Placentia-Linda Medical Center — and their associated outpatient locations from Texas-based Tenet Healthcare.

Officials said the total sale price was \$975 million, in cash. The hospitals will now be known as UCI Health - Fountain Valley, UCI Health - Lakewood, UCI Health - Los Alamitos and UCI Health - Placentia Linda.

"It's an exciting day," Feilden said at a ribbon-cutting ceremony at the Fountain Valley campus on Wednesday morning. "I love that it feels very much like a family. I know all of the CEOs are saying that, but it really does feel like today we merged with a big family. We were already a big family, but now we're a bigger fam-

ily." UCI Health also operates UCI Medical Center in Orange, which has been listed among America's best hospitals by U.S. News & World Report for 23 straight years. Additionally, the academic health system is opening a new campus in Irvine; the first building, the Joe C. Wen and Family Center for Advanced Care, launches next month.

Patients of the former Tenet hospitals and outpatient offices can continue receiving care as usual at their local facilities, UCI Health officials said.

The acquisition adds 858 inpatient beds to UCI Medical Center's total of 459 beds. In total, the five UCI Health facilities now have more than 12,000 coworkers, UCI Health President and CEO Chad Lefteris said at Wednesday's event.

He called the sale a historic moment for health-

care across Southern California.

"We are, and our communities are, stronger because we are now together," Lefteris said. "Together, we will transform healthcare delivery in Southern California. We will serve as an example to the nation, as we lead the intersection of academic and community healthcare. Together we bring the power of the brightest minds, innovations, cutting-edge research with a deep understanding of patient relationships and service from local physicians who are ingrained in these communities."

Fountain Valley Mayor Glenn Grandis noted the former Fountain Valley Regional Hospital, now known as UCI Health - Fountain Valley, is the largest employer in the city. It has about 1,700

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standing ovation from some members of the audience, upon delivering his closing remarks from the dais.

"Thank you for having me," Joyce said. "I appreciate it. I've enjoyed every day of it, and thanks to the staff for tolerating me, and thank you to the community for allowing me to be here for seven months and serve you. It's been compelling but a joy and just reinvigorating, as well."

In the aftermath of an apparent "Zoom bombing" incident during the City Council meeting on Feb. 13, Joyce made the call to have public testimony made in person or via email. A group of remote participants had used the online meeting platform to make offensive and hateful comments, leading to the decision to move on from audi-

ble public comment online.

"It's been fun to work with him for seven months, and we got a lot done, a lot accomplished, and obviously from the reception there, I think a lot of people in the community appreciate your efforts," Councilman Bob Whalen said. "Thank you. Wish we could have stretched it out a little more."

Under state guidelines, Joyce was able to serve in the role for a maximum of 960 hours within the fiscal year. Joyce has also spent time as an interim city manager for Huntington Beach, San Clemente and South Pasadena. Before retiring, he served as city manager of Irvine, Sierra Madre and South Pasadena.

Laguna Beach had three city managers in four decades prior to the transitional period overseen by Joyce. Ken Frank held the top job from September 1979 to December 2010, followed by John Pietig until

June 2021. Dupuis succeeded Pietig.

Also at Tuesday's meeting, the City Council weighed in on whether the campaign contribution limit should be adjusted to reflect the total change in the consumer price index.

Council members George Weiss and Whalen, both of whom are in the final year of their respective terms, recused themselves from the item.

The balance of the council voted unanimously to have an ordinance prepared that will adjust the campaign contribution limit amount from \$440 to \$520. Council members also directed the city clerk and city attorney to come back with an ordinance that would allow for automatic adjustment to the campaign contribution limit based on the consumer price index.

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HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL

H.B. uses consistent attack to beat Edison

BY MATT SZABO

There was a time earlier this season when Huntington Beach High baseball juniors Ethan Porter and Trent Grindlinger were both struggling at the plate.

"They were making jokes like, 'Hey, I'm hitting better than you now, you're hitting .160 and I'm hitting .161,'" Huntington Beach coach Benji Medure said. "But they're heating up. When the big guys go, our offense rolls."

This was the case as the Oilers' bats came alive in a Surf League game Tuesday at Edison.

Porter and Grindlinger combined to go six for six with a pair of walks as Huntington Beach pulled away for an 8-3 victory.

The Oilers, seeking their eighth straight league title, improved to 10-4 overall and 3-1 in league. Huntington Beach is ranked No. 5 in the CIF Southern Section Division I poll.

Porter, the leadoff hitter who's committed to Oregon State, was two for two with a double, two walks and three runs scored. Grindlinger, a Mississippi State commit, was just a home run short of the cycle, finishing four for four with two doubles, a triple and four runs batted in.

The Oilers have rebounded from back-to-back shutout losses to Marina and Fountain Valley on March 15 and 16, the latter game opening Surf League play, to record three league victories in a row.

"We kind of went through a tough spot," said Medure, who picked up his 400th career victory earlier this season. "I don't know if it was bad luck, I don't know what it was, but every time we hit a ball hard it was caught. I just don't think we were having the competitive at-bats that we're having



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

HUNTINGTON BEACH'S Trent Grindlinger stops at third after hitting a deep triple during Tuesday's Surf League game at Edison.

now. We're seeing the ball better, and people are starting to settle into their roles."

Porter led off the game with a full-count double to center, and eventually came home on Grindlinger's two-out single.

Edison (8-9, 0-2), which was promoted back up to the Surf League after winning the Wave League last season, responded in the bottom of the frame. Mason Gerhardt led off with an infield single, and Gavin Johnson drew a walk. After Cody Kruis reached on a bunt — the throw to third for a

force out was offline for an error — Nathan Hunter smacked an RBI single to center.

But Huntington Beach senior starting pitcher Nathan Aceves earned two strikeouts and a foul out to get out of the jam.

"It just ran up his pitch count, and then by the third inning, his [velocity] was down," Medure said. "He went from 92 to 88. We could have helped him, played better defense behind him in the first, but I thought he was pretty effective."

Aceves exited in the fourth in-

ning, and by then the Oilers had a 4-2 lead. Freshman left-handed pitcher Tanner Brown picked up the win, improving to 3-0 for Huntington Beach after firing two shutout innings in relief.

Medure said Brown wasn't scared and called him a dart thrower. Grindlinger, who knows what it feels like to be a freshman on varsity, said he offers words of wisdom to this year's pair of ninth-graders on the team — his younger brother Jared Grindlinger and Brown.

"It's always a big moment,"

Grindlinger said. "You've got to be able to slow it down. You're there for a reason, you've got to have confidence in yourself. That's what I try to remind them every day."

Jayton Greer had a single and a pair

of RBIs for Huntington Beach, which scored in every inning except the fourth. The winners also received hits from Trevor Goldenetz, CJ Weinstein and Braedon Peterson-Cheek. Tony Martinez added two hits, including a double, and an RBI.

Still, Edison coach Nick Cappuccilli liked what he saw out of his sophomore starting pitcher, Noah Hunter, who lasted into the fourth inning.

"In the big situation, he wants to be there and compete, show everybody what he can do," Cappuccilli said. "It's fun when you have a natural competitor, you can put him in any big spot and he's not scared, he's not going to back down from anything. He stepped up really well for being against such a talented team like Huntington."

Cappuccilli said he has a young and inexperienced team this season, but the Chargers have proven competitive. Landon Veirs was two for three on Tuesday, with Shane Timmons smacking a double and Jordan Alvarez also recording a hit.

Huntington Beach hosts Los Alamitos (1-1 in league) on Thursday in continued league action, while Edison plays at Fountain Valley (2-2 in league).

The Barons earned a 4-1 home win over Los Alamitos on Tuesday, behind a strong outing by sophomore starting pitcher Billy Kutsch.

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when my back's to the wall, I'm pretty good at taking things on."

Harrington, who shot a two under par round of 69 on Sunday and earned the \$300,000 first-prize check, countered the two double bogeys with six birdies.

His tee shot on par-four No. 16 went way left and he ended up carding a six, which put him a shot behind both Jaidee and Jimenez at the time.

"A right-to-left dogleg on a left-to-right wind is never going to be easy," Harrington said. "Maybe I should just have just accepted it and hit down into the right-hand rough. In hindsight, it would have been a lot better than where I hit it."

He came back firing on No. 17, earning his third birdie of the tournament on the par-three by making a downhill birdie putt of about 15 feet. Meanwhile, Jimenez — who had made eagle on No. 16 — left his par putt short, and Jaidee made par.

Jaidee was the only player in the final group to find the fairway off the tee at the par-five No. 18, but his third shot went well past the hole to take away any realistic birdie chance. That set the stage for Harrington, who said he had mostly down-

hill birdie putts on the day, with the wind gusting to more than 30 miles per hour.

"It's the first one I had all day uphill, and there wasn't a crosswind," said Harrington, who is set to be inducted into the World Golf Hall of Fame in June. "I was just like, 'This is your chance, you have an opportunity.'"

The putt hit the left side of the cup and spun around before going in.

Harrington, who won back-to-back British Open championships in 2007 and '08 as well as the 2008 PGA Championship, also still plays some PGA Tour events. Still, he relishes the chance to be on the PGA Tour Champions as well. With the victory, he moved to No. 5 in the Charles Schwab Cup standings.

A week after St. Patrick's Day, it took more than luck to win this title.

"This is the great thing about the Champions Tour, it allows us to relive our past glories," Harrington said. "We get to hit shots where we feel anxious, we feel nervous, we feel excited. And it doesn't change, when you've got a putt to win or a shot to win, you don't want to mess up in front of people."

Defending champion Ernie Els, bidding to become the first three-time winner of the Hoag Classic,

finished tied for 33rd at three under par.

In his post-round remarks to the crowd, Harrington called the course at Newport Beach Country Club his favorite on the tour.

"Newport Beach has served as home to the Hoag Classic from its inception and remains a player favorite on the PGA Tour Champions," said Scott Easton, first-year executive director of the Hoag Classic, in a statement. "A tremendous thanks to Hoag as title sponsor, our presenting partners City National Bank and McCarthy Building Companies, more than 200 other corporate partners and our tremendous volunteers who help make this event possible."

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PADRAIG HARRINGTON, right, is congratulated by playing partner Miguel Angel Jimenez after winning the Hoag Classic on Sunday.



THONGCHAI JAIDEE hits an approach shot to the 18th hole during the final round of the Hoag Classic.



MIGUEL ANGEL Jimenez hits a drive to the 17th hole during the final round of the Hoag Classic on Sunday.

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**NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS
COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Coast Community College District ("DISTRICT"), acting by and through its Board of Trustees, will receive sealed bids for the award of a contract for the following named Project. Bids will be received up until, but not later than, the bid deadline listed below.

Project Name: OCC Removal/Replacement Damaged Drywall, Tile and other Finishes
Bid Number: Bid #2197
Advertisement: 3/29/24 & 4/4/24
Pre-Bid RFI Deadline: 4/11/24, 12:00 P.M.
Bid Deadline: 4/18/24 Prior to 2:00 P.M.

A MANDATORY pre-bid job-walk will be held at 9:00 A.M., April 5, 2024, Literature & Language Building, 2701 Fairview Rd, Costa Mesa, CA 92626.

Place of Bid Receipt: All bids shall be submitted electronically via the PlanetBids Vendor portal located on the District Website (<https://pssystem.planetbids.com/portal/36722/bo/bo-detail/116014>), including the forms furnished by the District, prior to the bid closing date and time, and results will be available immediately upon the close of bids. Incomplete, inaccurate, or untrue responses or information provided therein by a bidder shall be grounds for the District to reject such submissions for non-responsiveness.

Project Description: Removal and replacement of drywall, ceiling tile, flooring and other damaged finishes on the Literature & Languages, Social & Behavioral Sciences building. Remove and protect any fixtures or window treatments on or adjacent to the damaged drywall; Remove damaged drywall. Exploratory inspection to determine if additional drywall not indicated in the construction documents is required to be removed; Remove damaged insulation and replace; Tape, mud, float, sand, prepare, clean, and paint all repair areas; Remove and replace damaged sealant and backer rods at window systems, including adjacent areas where drywall requires replacement. Areas include the jamb, sill, and head; Remove and replace damaged carpet, including any underlayment and baseboards; Removal, protection, and reinstallation of casework and fixed furniture in order to access, remove and replace any damaged drywall, flooring, or ceiling; All materials and finishes to match existing; All disposal of material is contractor's responsibility including but not limited to renting of equipment, haul-off, and associated dumping fees; Install back-up material as required; Contractor responsible for procuring replacement materials, match existing finishes; Provide masking of all existing doors, windows, railings, signs, electrical devices, etc. not scheduled to be painted; Provide caution tape, detour signage and other safety measures to allow access to building interiors for use during construction. It is anticipated that the project construction will commence on June 3, 2024, and be complete by August 16, 2024.

Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 7028.15 and Public Contract Code Section 3300. The District requires that the bidder possess at the time of bid, and maintain throughout the duration of the Agreement, the following license classification(s):

Bid Package	Trade	License	Engineer's Estimate
1	General	B	\$199,150

DIR Registration. Each bidder submitting a proposal to complete the work, labor, material, and/or services ("Work") subject to this procurement must be a Department of Industrial Relations ("DIR") registered contractor pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5. A bidder who is not a DIR-registered contractor when submitting a proposal for the Work is deemed "not qualified" and the proposal of such a Bidder will be rejected for non-responsiveness. Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1725.5, all subcontractors identified in a Bidder's subcontractors' list shall be DIR-registered contractors as well.

Prevailing Wage Rate ("PWR") Monitoring and Enforcement. The Work is subject to payment of the PWR. The Contractor and all Subcontractors of every tier shall pay laborers performing any portion of the Work not less than the PWR established for the labor provided. Pursuant to Labor Code Section 1771.4(a)(4), PWR monitoring, and enforcement shall be by the DIR.

More information regarding this project can be found on the PlanetBids Vendor portal listed above. Further inquiries should be directed to the District's Purchasing Department at purchasing@cccd.edu.

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