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ABOUT 15,000 runners, walkers and wheelchair athletes took part in the Surf City Marathon, which also included a half marathon and a 5K race. The 27th annual race spanned six lanes of Pacific Coast Highway in Huntington Beach, and also went through three other nearby locations.

Thousands hit the pavement in annual Surf City Marathon

BY MATT SZABO

ewport Beach's Michelle Jacobsen did not have to travel too far from home to run 26.2 miles on Sunday morning.

No other woman did it faster.

Jacobsen was the women's marathon winner in the 27th annual Surf City Marathon, which spanned all six lanes of Pacific Coast Highway in Huntington Beach and also went through Central Park, the Bolsa Chica Ecological Reserve and a beachfront running path.

Jacobsen, 44, finished in 2 hours, 57 minutes and 41 seconds. Heather Gilliland, who lives a bit further south in Cardiff by the Sea, placed second in 3:00:26.

Jacobsen also won the women's Surf City Marathon in 2021.

"Chased the lead female until Mile 24, and then took the lead when she started to hurt," she said in an Instagram post. "Ended up first female again! So, so grateful!"

Jason Yang of Los Angeles, 31, won the men's marathon in 2:29:01, followed by Ruben Gonzalez of Anaheim in 2:41:37.

More than 15,000 total runners, walkers and wheelchair athletes participated in the Surf City Marathon, Half Marathon and 5K race.

Robert Miranda of Venice, 22, won the men's half marathon in 1:05:03, while Elizabeth Camy of Simi Valley, 39, won the women's half marathon in 1:18:40.

The 5K men's winner was Ismael Samano of Los Angeles in 15:25, while Rachel Miura of Laguna Hills won the 5K women's race in 18:00.

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MICHELLE JACOBSEN of Newport Beach wins the women's Surf City Marathon in Huntington Beach on Sunday. Jacobsen finished in 2:57:41.



JASON YANG of Los Angeles breaks the tape to win the Surf City Marathon in 2:29:01 on Sunday morning.

Defense: Standoff suspect not fit for trial

The man made frequent out-of-turn outbursts in response to witnesses' statements during a hearing on Tuesday.

BY ERIC LICAS

Friends and relatives of a man accused of shooting at police and federal agents during a standoff in Costa Mesa testified Tuesday that he believed he was a descendant of Jesus being unfairly treated by the government during a hearing to determine whether he was fit to stand trial.

California Department of Justice officials assisted by Costa Mesa police had attempted to serve a warrant on Oct. 7 at a metalworking shop on the 1700 block of Monrovia Avenue owned by Luis Mendez Jr., 50, of Whittier. They suspected he had firearms that he was prohibited from possessing due to a prior conviction for domestic violence.

Mendez allegedly opened fire at authorities who tried to enter the building. An eight-hour standoff ensued, but he eventually surrendered. No injuries were reported.

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C.M. aims to reduce speeds on some city streets

All but 2 of the 17 segments have limits lowered by 5 mph. More reductions may come due to a new state law.

BY SARA CARDINE

On most California roadways, speed limits have been traditionally determined not by how fast motorists should be driving, but rather how fast most of them already drive.

Municipalities looking to set limits have been required to consider the prevailing speed of a thoroughfare — defined as the 85th percentile of actual speeds clocked — rounded up or down to the nearest 5 miles. The faster vehicles drove, the higher the speed limit was set.

See **Speed**, page A4

Portion of state highway commemorates fallen HBPD officer

BY MATT SZABO

A stretch of Beach Boulevard in Huntington Beach will be named for the late Huntington Beach Police Department Officer Nicholas Vella, who died in a helicopter crash nearly one year ago.

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A ceremony was held Saturday morning to unveil the sign for Vella, who was 44 and a 14-year veteran of the HBPD. He died on Feb. 19, 2022, when his helicopter veered right and crashed into the ocean in Newport Beach after the two-person crew, including an unidentified pilot who was injured, reported mechanical issues.

About a 3-mile stretch of State Highway 39, from Pacific Coast Highway to Talbert Avenue, will be designated as the Officer

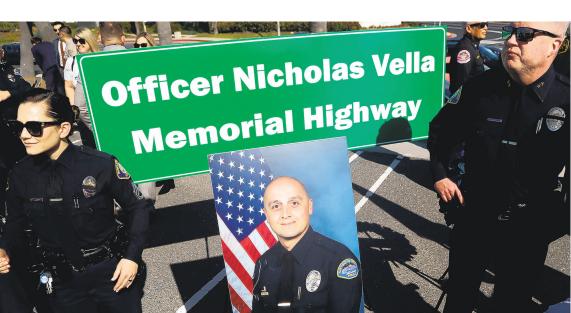
Nicholas Vella Memorial Highway. State Sen. Janet Nguyen, whose District 36 includes Huntington Beach, introduced the legislation to designate the highway in Vella's honor. She attended and spoke at Saturday's ceremony, as did Huntington Beach Mayor Tony Strickland and Newport Beach Mayor Noah Blom.

Members of Vella's family were in attendance, including his wife, Kristi, teenage daughter Dylan, father John, mother Marcella and brother John Arthur. Uniformed police officers from several local jurisdictions also paid tribute.

Vella had previously served with the Laguna Beach Police Department for four years before joining the HBPD. He was the fourth HBPD officer in 113 years to lose his life while on duty.

The ceremony concluded with a helicopter flyover and an Assn. of Orange County Deputy Sheriffs Pipe Band playing "Amazing Craes"

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Kevin Chang | Staff Photographer

A MEMORIAL highway sign stands behind a portrait of Officer Nicholas Vella during an unveiling ceremony for his memorial highway sign on Saturday in Huntington Beach.

Pedestrian killed after being hit by multiple vehicles in L.B.

BY ANDREW TURNER

A pedestrian was killed while attempting to cross South Coast Highway in south Laguna Beach on

Sunday evening.
Police and fire personnel responded to the 30600 block of South Coast Highway at about 6 p.m. after a traffic collision was reported involving a pedestrian and multiple vehicles, according to a news release from the Laguna Beach Police Department.

personnel Emergency performed life-saving measures at the scene, authorities said. The woman was taken to a local hospital, where the medical staff pronounced her dead.

Willen Mari Alvarez, 32, of Mission Viejo was identified as the deceased, Sgt. Scott Steinle, a public information officer with the Orange County Sheriff's Department, said. Police said the woman was near Ruby's at 30622 South Coast Hwy. and not within a crosswalk when she was struck by multiple vehicles traveling in the southbound lanes.

Tim Kleiser said it was possible three vehicles struck Alvarez, based on an initial investigation.

Neither alcohol nor drugs appeared to be factors in the incident, police said. The drivers of the vehicles involved in the collision remained at the scene and cooperated with law enforcement. The cause of the collision was being investigated by the Laguna Beach Police Department's traffic bureau.

"We are deeply saddened by yet another pedestrian fatality on Coast Highway, and we send our sincere condolences to the family and friends of the deceased," Mayor Bob Whalen said in a statement. "Coast Highway is owned and operated by Caltrans, and we will reach out to them to determine if they can implement additional safety improvements to make the roadway safer for pedestrians. We need to hold Caltrans accountable to find safety solutions to avoid more tragic accidents in our

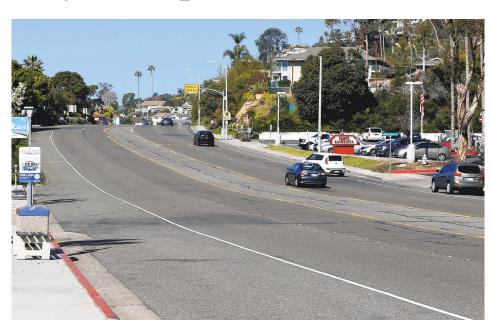
The incident shut down Laguna Beach Police Lt. the southbound traffic lanes of South Coast Highway from Nyes Place to Montage Resort Drive until about 11 p.m. on Sunday.

Anyone with information about the incident is encouraged to call the Laguna Beach police at (949) 497-0701.

Kleiser added there have two pedestrian deaths on Laguna Beach roadways in 2023, and there was one within the city limits last year.

'Unfortunately, both of the 2023 pedestrian fatalities on Coast Highway in Laguna Beach occurred outside of marked crosswalk areas and are results of individual behaviors," Kleiser said. "Since Coast Highway is owned and operated by Caltrans, we will reach out to them to determine if any additional safety improvements are needed to make the roadway safer for pedestrians.

"Our officers continually conduct patrols and enforcement on the roadways in Laguna Beach to ensure they are safe for motorists, pedestrians and cyclists. The two recent fatalities are a tragic reminder that each and every per-



Don Leach | Staff Photographer

A WOMAN crossed the street outside of a crosswalk and was struck by multiple vehicles in the southbound lanes near Ruby's in Laguna Beach.

son using the roadways adhere to the laws, remain alert for hazards, and limit distractions."

Traffic fatalities have dominated the headlines in Laguna Beach recently. Xueyuan Zhang, 39, was killed in the early morning hours on Saturday, Jan. 28 in another fatal traffic inci-

Then on Wednesday, Feb. 1, Michael John Mammone, a doctor at Providence Mission Hospital in Laguna Beach, was killed while riding his bike near the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway and Crown Valley Parkway in Dana Point. Vanroy Evan Smith,

the driver of the vehicle that hit Mammone, reportedly then got out of his car and stabbed Mammone. Smith was arrested on suspicion of murder and pleaded not guilty in a courtroom Friday.

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Donald Wilson

September 3, 1960 - January 2023

Donald Charles Wilson passed away peacefully at the age of 62; surrounded by his family on January 30th 2023. He was born on September 3rd 1960 and raised by his loving parents Leroy and Doris. Dons two passions in life were the ocean and cars. He'd spend most of his free time surfing on the Newport Beach Peninsula or cruising in his truck down PCH. Don immediately started working right out of high school, buying and selling cars. From there, he would go to work for his family in Huntington Beach at Sea & Sun RV in 1980, which then evolved into Sea & Sun Subaru. In 1982 Don fell in love with a fun-loving girl from Northern California; Rebecca Ann Bunker. After a long-distance romance, the two of them would marry In July 1983. In 1988, they were blessed with their firstborn son Curtis and again with Adam in 1991. After becoming a father, Don realized the importance of being with family. He founded Don Wilson Motors, to allow himself the freedom to spend time with his family. The family would then go on many incredible adventures. Don valued the memories shared on these adventures more than anything. Don was a man of faith and lived a life glorifying god. Don lit up any room he walked into with his infectious laugh and outrageous storytelling. Don is survived by his loving wife Becky, Sons Curtis and Adam and Daughters in law Bree and Crista. Memorial services to be determined at a later date.



Ellie Bull

May 13, 1924 - January 3, 2023

Ellie Grace Bull passed away peacefully in Palm Desert, California on January 3, 2023 at the age of 98.

Born in Conflenti, in Calabria, Italy, on May 13, 1924, the family emigrated between the wars to New York, and then settled in Saginaw, Michigan, where she attended high school. There she met the love of her life Sheldon Bull, and because WWII intervened, they were married over a weekend leave from Sheldon's US Army boot camp in Texarkana, AR. After the war, the couple made homes in Lansing, then Southfield, MI, then packed the family up to move to Riverside, Fullerton, and eventually Newport Beach, California.

Ellie is survived by her brother Joseph Butera of Saginaw, Michigan, son Jon Sheldon Bull (daughter-in-law Martha) of Santa Fe, NM, grandsons Daniel Jon Bull and Patrick Erin Collins, and great grandson Dylan Collins.

She was predeceased by her husband of 63 years Sheldon Bull, her father and mother John and Angelina Butera, her sister Pierina Cimino, and her daughter Dyan Elizabeth

Ellie started her career as a homemaker, and with the kids grown, became a decorator for Bullocks and I. Magnin, and then a real estate agent in Newport Beach. She loved shuttling between her homes in Newport Beach and both Indian Wells and Palm Desert, her two "happy places" In Newport when not working, she spent her time with friends at the Balboa Bay Club, and weekends soaking up the sun in Palm Desert. She eventually moving full time to the desert, where her surviving friends still talk about her frequent food and wine parties in Sun City. The entire neighborhood was always welcomed. She was a tireless hostess, always with a ready smile.

The family wishes to thank Ula Carlos and her team at Bella Casa in Palm Desert, who truly loved and cared for Ellie in her last years, as well as her long time physician and friend, Amanda Curnock, of La Quinta. A private memorial service will be planned for the Spring.



Courtesy of Rhodri Lumba

RUNNERS MAKE their way up a hill on the Newport Coast course from the 2022 John Wayne Grit Series.

THE DAILY COMMUTER **PUZZLE**

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

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By The Mepham Group

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John Wayne coming

BY LILLY NGUYEN

It's time for marathoners to start training again as the John Wayne Grit Series is set to return to Newport Beach this spring. More than 400 participants are already signed up for the city's segment of the series, which begins and ends in Crystal Cove State Park in

This is the fourth year the race will come to Newport Beach. Race director Molly Kassouf said the idea for the series came out of a request from friend Ethan Wayne, the son of late actor John Wayne, to design a race route that touched on the elder's film roles. This year's run has firmed up with locations familiar to last year, with the first race to be held in the high desert community of Pioneertown on March 25, followed by the Newport Beach marathon on April

The three other races in the series will take place in Ridgway, Colo., on Sept. 23; Lone Pine, Calif., on Oct. 21 and the Fort Worth Stockyards in Texas on Nov.11. The Grit series raises money and awareness for the John Wayne Cancer Foundation and last year raised \$234,000 across all five marathons. The Newport Coast run produced about \$55,000 of that.

Wayne is a common namesake in Newport Beach, where the city not only has a day in honor of

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TRIAL

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Since his arrest, Mendez has claimed that his case should be dismissed due to a discrepancy regarding the spelling of his name on official documents and has refused to enter a plea of either guilty or not guilty in response to the charges filed against him, Richard Cheung, the public defender assigned to represent him, said during a hearing at Orange County's North Justice Center in Fullerton Tuesday. He also declined to be interviewed by court appointed mental health experts.

Dr. John Richard Slosar was supposed to conduct that interview. He was present in court when the defendant, his mother and some of his friends gave testimony. Based on what he saw in court and written statements he had received earlier, he told Judge Michael A. Leverson he believed Mendez was delusional and incapable of assisting in his own defense.

During the hearing, Mendez made frequent out-ofturn outbursts in response to statements made by witnesses. And when he was called to testify, he repeatedly said he had been "railroaded" and unlawfully arrested. He also claimed he had acted in self-defense.

Deputy Dist. Atty. David McMurren argued that Mendez's claim of self-defense suggested he had a functioning understanding of the legal proceedings he was involved in. He added that the defendant's request for a new lawyer to represent him was an example of him participating in his own defense, even if he disagreed with his current attorney's handling of the

But during testimony, Slosar pointed out, "It's not a matter of whether he can understand some of these legal concepts. He can't work with others and can't plan a rational defense."

He added that he believed any issues Mendez was experiencing with Cheung would likely "carry over to the next attorney," if he was assigned a different

The first person Cheung called to testify was a longtime friend of the defendant, Johnathan Bruce Lipson. The two were hunting buddies, and Lipson described the defendant "the best pathfinder in California, just nobody knows it."

Lipson and the defendant's mother, Rosemary Mendez, also said he repeatedly claimed to be a direct descendant of Jesus Christ whose lineage had been persecuted since ancient times. He and others who testified said the defendant believed he had some sort of destiny to fulfill, ascribed to "conspiracy theories," was distrustful of the government and was prone to mood swings.

Another one of the defendant's friends called to the stand was retired patent attorney Bill Rooklidge, the owner of a private classic car shop down the street from Mendez's metal fabricating business. He said Mendez told him a former romantic partner was dating a member of the state Department of Justice who was attempting to incriminate him. However, when the defendant's friend inquired with the agency, he was told "flatout, no such person exists."

The hearing was scheduled to continue Wednes-

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the seller(s) is: 20 Gray Dove, Irvine, CA 92618 Drive San Diego CA 92126

The assets to be sold are generally described as INFORMATION. TRADEMARKS Metal Finishing" 9350 Cabot Drive San Diego CA 92126 anticipated sale date is FEBRUARY 28, 2023.

This bulk sale IS subject to California Uniform

The name and address of the person with whom claims

Dated: 01/27/2023 Buyer's Signature

Garek Enterprises, a California Corporation By: /s/ Marek Prochazka, President By: /s/ Gail Prochazka, Vice-President

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(UCC Sec. 6105)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: AMBASSADOR VENTURES, LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY; ADDRESS: 10821 SKY PARK CIRCLE, STE. J, IRVINE,

Doing Business as: FASTSIGNS IRVINE

the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: NONE The location in California of the Chief Executive

Officer of the Seller(s) is: **SAME** The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: SIGNS

AND STUFF LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, 150 PAULARINO AVENUE, BLDG B **COSTA MESA, CA 92626**

GOODWILL, LEASEHOLD INTEREST, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS, SIGNS, FRANCHISE RIGHTS, WARRANTIES, INVENTORY, TELEPHONE EQUIPMENT AND LISTINGS, CUSTOMER LISTS, 10821 SKY PARK CIRCLE, STE. J, IRVINE, CA 92614 The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: CITYWIDE ESCROW SERVICES, INC., 12501 SEAL BEACH BLVD., SUITE 130, SEAL BEACH, CA 90740 and the anticipated sale date is FEBRUARY 28, 2023

Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

information must be provided.] The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: CITYWIDE ESCROW SERVICES, INC., 12501 SEAL BEACH BLVD., SUITE 130, SEAL BEACH, CA 90740 and the last date for filing claims shall be FEBRUARY 27. 2023. which is the business day before the sale

BUYER: SIGNS AND STUFF LLC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ORD-1454992 DAILY PILOT 2/8/23

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WALKER all caps name; and the nature of

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Doing business as: A to Z Metal Finishing All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the

seller(s) within the past three years, as stated by the The location in California of the chief executive office of

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BUSINESS, TRADE NAME, GOODWILL, COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT MACHINERY, SOFTWARE, CUSTOMER FILES AND SERVICEMARKS CUSTOMER AND VENDOR RECORDS, DOMAIN NAMES, WEB-ADDRESSES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS LEASEHOLD INTEREST AND INVENTORY and are located at: "A to Z The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: Allison-McCloskey Escrow Company, 4820 El Cajon Boulevard, San Diego, CA 92115-4695 and the

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Escrow No. 31459-PC

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE: Self-Storage Cube contents of the following customers containing household and other goods will be sold for cash by CubeSmart, 2892 Kelvin Ave., Irvine, CA 92614 to satisfy a lien. Auction sale February 15, 2023 approx. 2:00 storagetreasures.com:

Tenant Name Jay Klester, Kenneth Hickson, Shahram Movahedi, Alexander Getta, Stephen Morrison, Tatiana Osborne All purchased goods are sold "as is." Purchased goods must be removed 72 hours within close of online sale. Sale Subject to cancellation up to time of sale, company reserves the right to refuse any online bids and to bid at

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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE UNDER DEED OF TRUST

Loan No.: CALPAC MORTGAGE FUND, LLC RESS Order No.: 2022-78115 A.P. NUMBER 047-151-03 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST, DATED 05/19/2022, UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROPERTY IN AN BES DOL ON A PUBBLE 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROPERTY IN AN BES DOL ON A PUBBLE 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROPERTY IN AN BES DOL ON A PUBBLE 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROPERTY IN AN BES DOL ON A PUBBLE 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROPERTY IN AN BES DOL ON A PUBBLE 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROPERTY IN AN BES DOL ON A PUBBLE 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PUBBLE 2022. IN BOOK PUBBLE 2022. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO YOUR GIVEN, that on 02/15/2023, at 01:30 P.M. of said day, At the North front entrance to the County Courthouse at 700 Civic Center Drive West, Santa Ana, CA 92701, RESS Financial Corporation, a California corporation, as duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to the power of sale conferred in that certain Deed of Trust executed by CALPAC MORTGAGE FUND. LC, A CALIFORNIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY recorded on 05/23/2022, in Book n/a, of Official Records of ORANGE County, at page n/a, Recorder's instrument No. 02/20/2001/90647, by reason of a breach or default in payment or performance of the obligations secured theeby, including that breach or default in payment or performance of the obligations secured theeby, including that Dreach or default, Notice of Which was a proproper of the HIGHEST BIDDER FOR CASH, lawfulf money of the United States, evidenced by a Cashier's Check drawn on a state or national bank, or the equivalent thereof drawn on any other financial institution specified in section 5102 of the California, Financial Code, authorized to do business in the State of California, ALL PAYABLE AT THE TIME OF SALE, all right, title and interest held by it as Trustee, in that real property studied in said County and State, described as follows: 1ot 12 in Block 21 of Newport Beach, as shown on Map in Book 3, Page 26 of Miss, Maps. Refer to De

Sports

GIRLS' SOCCER

Estancia stuns Los Amigos with late winner

BY SCOTT FRENCH

Estancia High finally bulled its way into the main draw of the CIF Southern Section girls' soccer playoffs Monday, closing an afternoon of frustration with a gritty goal in the final moments of a Division 6 wildcard showdown at Los Amigos. It brought joy, but more so relief.

The ninth-ranked Eagles might have put away a half-dozen strikes on another day, but struggles moving the ball on unfamiliar turf, inconsistencies that accompany inexperience and terrific performances along Los Amigos' back line kept things even until they weren't.

Jana Åkins delivered the 1-0 triumph, knocking home a feed across the goal line from fellow freshman Vanessa Pastrana, about two minutes into second-half stoppage time. It was Estancia's 17th shot, to just two by the Lobos, and 16th legitimate scoring opportunity. Los Amigos had none.

"We talked about it at halftime, that it doesn't matter how we score," said Eagles head coach Josh Juarez, whose team treks to Antelope Valley for a firstround game Wednesday at Heritage League champion Palmdale Aerospace Academy (9-3-0). "It could be an ugly goal, it doesn't matter. Not that that was an ugly goal, but that was just touching the ball beyond the line."

Whether Akins got the last touch isn't certain. Pastrana, who with junior Pacheco winger Ana steered Estancia's attack, took a feed on the right flank from sophomore Grace Boyce, beat two defenders on the back line and sent the ball to the goalmouth, where Akins battled with defender Valeria Olague. The ball arrived, and then it was in

"I think I bumped into her, and she flicked [the ball] in a little," Akins said. "I think I touched it a lit-

Whatever the mechanics, it felt good.

"We were kind of stressed," Akins said. "We thought we'd have to go overtime."

Pastrana said she had to adjust her offensive approach.

"I tried to take on [defenders], but it didn't work

quite as well [as desired]," Pastrana said. "So the last chance I had, I gave an assist to Jana."

Sophomore goalkeeper Carmen Hernandez made six saves for Los Amigos (9-8-2).

"[Los Amigos] defended well, and their goalkeeper did a great job keeping everything out," Juarez said. "It was really a committee of players to try to wear down their defense ... an overall team effort to find that goal. I feel like it was the whole team just willing that ball to get across the line."

Olague and fellow senior Anahi Damian were pivotal in preventing Estancia (7-6-4) from turning chances into something more, but Los Amigos struggled to connect in midfield and going forward, despite the best efforts of junior Alexandra Castelan and senior Heidi Perez.

Estancia was better with the ball, and better in the second half, with freshman Kimberly Muñoz and sophomore Kate Jennis keeping the ball moving in midfield and Suly Alvarez providing valuable hold-up play. The bumpy grass field was an obstacle — the Eagles' only

other game on grass this season was a 3-0 win at Los Amigos in December — and a young lineup labored to exploit space behind the Lobos' back line.

There was opportunity, but the Eagles came close just a couple of times: in the 10th minute, when senior forward Kayden Vazquez fired high from Pacheco's touch off Muñoz's through ball; and in the 68th, when Pastrana volleyed wide at the right post after Estephanie Lomas stripped a defender near the right corner.

The win came at a price. Pacheco suffered a head injury on a fierce duel in the 64th minute and went to a hospital after the game, and Juarez later said she'd likely have to go through concussion protocol before returning. She'll miss Wednesday's game and likely a second-round match if Estancia advances, he said.

Los Amigos head coach Cassidy Abad wasn't displeased with her team's play.

"The other team had way more opportunities in front of the goal, and we held them off for almost that entire game ...," she said. "A lot of the girls in our pro-



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ESTANCIA'S Grace Boyce takes a shot under pressure from Los Amigos' Amie Del Los Santos during a CIF Southern Section Division 6 girls' soccer wildcard round game.

gram are just learning the sport, so for them to hold off some of these players that have a lot more experience than them, they

should not be disappointed in how they performed."

Scott French is a contributor to the Daily Pilot.

BOYS' BASKETBALL

Edison fends off Fountain Valley for share of league title

BY MATT SZABO

Three fouls in the first quarter.

It was not exactly the way that Edison senior forward Tucker Tripp wanted to start his last regular-season high school basketball game.

The Chargers' best defensive player had a tough assignment Thursday night in a Surf League finale at Fountain Valley, against Barons senior standout JJ Gray.

"We knew coming in that containing JJ would be the key to victory," Tripp said. "I pride myself on my defense, and I think of myself as one of the best defensive players in the league. I was a little bit bummed out when I had those first three fouls."

Junior forward Jaxon Gorden came in and did a nice job defensively off the bench, before Tripp came



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THE EDISON HIGH boys' basketball team celebrates after beating Fountain Valley in a Surf League game on Thursday. The Chargers defeated the Barons 51-49.

back in for an impact performance in the second

Edison made plays down the stretch, holding off Fountain Valley 51-49 to clinch a share of the Surf League title. The Chargers share the title with Los Alamitos, which beat Marina 77-75 in overtime in another finels. Thursday

other finale Thursday.
It's the sixth league title in seven seasons for Edison (19-9, 5-1 in league), coach Rich Boyce said, and the 22nd straight time the Chargers have advanced to

the CIF playoffs.

Edison, ranked No. 13 in Division 2AA, will host Villa Park in the first-round of the playoffs on Wednesday at 7 p.m. The Spartans finished third in the Crewstview League.

Fountain Valley (18-10, 2-4), which finished third in the four-team league, never led but constantly battled back behind Gray, who had a game-high 19 points

"They made a nice run," Boyce said. "Obviously, they would, because they're very talented and well-coached, but we responded every single time. That was the key. When adversity hit, we responded like we have all season."

Sophomore guard Jayden Oei led Edison off the bench with 13 points, including four three-pointers. Senior guard Dylan Hugues scored 11.

"[Oei] has stepped up all

season long making big shots, especially in big games," Tripp said. "That's just a testament to why he's on the team. He's the only sophomore we've got on the varsity roster, and he just steps up time and time again, hitting big threes."

Edison led 48-41 after Hugues hit a free throw with 2:46 remaining in the game. But the host Barons used a corner three-pointer by Colin Risse, then a three-point play from Fernando Garcia, to pull within a point with 1:07 left.

Edison's Garin Takushi, then Fountain Valley's Garcia, each hit a pair of free throws to push the score to 50-49, Edison with 20 seconds left.

After Oei split a pair of free throws, the Barons had a chance to tie or take the lead. But they couldn't get a shot off. Edison doubleteamed Gray with Tripp and Edison junior center Dane Johnson, and Gray's pass was deflected by Johnson in the closing seconds.

"We knew that pick-androlls was their bread and butter, and Dane's showing on those screens every single time, making it hard for J.J.," Tripp said. "That was definitely big for us. That's how they hurt us the first time, so Dane stepped up huge for us."

Barons Coach Roger Holmes praised his team's efforts, adding that he believes both his team and last-place Marina will make the Division 2AA bracket as at-large teams.

"We haven't lost a game all year by more than 10 points," Holmes said. "We've been in every game and we keep battling. I've been really happy with how the season has gone."

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the actor, but a park and nearby airport. The actor called the city his home from the mid-1960s until his death in 1979 from stomach cancer.

"My father loved Newport Beach. For 50 years, he spent much of his free time there and lived there for 14 years before his death," Éthan Wayne, director of the John Wayne Cancer Foundation, said in a statement released Monday. "The scenery on the John Wayne Grit Series Newport Coast course can't be beat, and we're proud to use it as a backdrop for raising funds for cancer research.'

Early registration ends on March 11 for those interested in saving \$10, but registration doesn't officially close until the day of the race. Kassouf said Tuesday the event has already doubled in participants from last year in just Newport Beach alone.

"We still have 11 weeks, which is crazy," Kassouf said. "It tends to be toward the end that it really starts to rev up because people check their schedules and sign up or something falls through and they're able to participate. It's really exciting.

"It really is such a beautiful location, and the trails

there are super welcoming to beginners and to people who are elites. We have some kids' groups this year that are coming to join us, which is really exciting. It's nice to have a wide range of all different types of runners."

Participants will be able to participate in one of three routes of their choosing: a 5K, a 25K and a 50K — 3.1 miles to about 31 miles — that they're free to run, jog or hike.

Kassouf noted the first race in Pioneertown has about 200 entrants so far — close to the 220 or so that ran last year — with about seven weeks to go until that event.

"For somebody that's interested in coming out and getting involved, I believe it's important just for them to really look into each event and what they think would suit themselves,' Kassouf said. "Training is a very important part of any distance that somebody chooses to sign up for, and a lot of times it's great to get involved in a community or run group that people can help with inspiration to train for these events, and then there's also just staying as relatively healthy as one can.

"We have 5Ks up to 50Ks; there's something for everybody."

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SPEED

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But Assembly Bill 43, signed into law in October 2021, in part, gives cities that have completed traffic studies the leeway to reduce speeds. For example, if a prevailing speed is 43 mph, it may be rounded down to 40 mph instead of

upward to 45 mph.

The effects of AB 43 are already being seen in Costa Mesa, where officials recently announced the reduction of speed limits on 17 nonresidential street segments and have indicated more reductions under sections of the new law may follow.

A city maintenance crew has been replacing speed limit signs and installing changeable message readers in various high-traffic areas to notify motorists of the changes in certain portions of major streets like Harbor and Newport boulevards and Placentia Avenue.

Jennifer Rosales, the city's transportation services manager, said Monday a consultant conducted a traffic study last year that primarily focused on 46 segments of roadway but also considered another 90 or more segments beyond internal residential neighborhood roads where the

new law might be applied. A total of 17 segments were identified for reductions of mostly 5 mph, although two segments — including Adams Avenue, from Royal Palm Drive to Harbor Boulevard, and Avenue of the Arts, between Sunflower Boulevard and Anton Avenue — were reduced by 10 mph.

Another seven segments, where prevailing speeds would have previously dictated a 5-mph hike, were allowed to remain untouched under the new law, according to Rosales.

"The city would like, where we can, to lower speeds when justified and when the law allows us to," she said. "Slower speeds are better, in general, for pedestrians, bicyclists and vulnerable people."

That's something with which westside resident David Martinez, who uses a bicycle as his primary mode of transportation, completely agrees.

A member of the city's Active Transportation Committee, Martinez helps make recommendations to staff and officials for how and where areas might be made safer for pedestrians and cyclists.

"Speed is very often correlated with how deadly or how dangerous a collision with a pedestrian or cyclist is," he said Tuesday. "The slower the car, the lower your chances of being seriously injured, so these



Kevin Chang | Staff Photographer

COSTA MESA maintenance workers set up a sign along Red Hill Avenue, south of Baker Street, warning motorists of recently reduced speed limits.

speed limit reductions could really help in preventing serious injuries."

Russell Toler is a Costa Mesa planning commissioner and member of Costa Mesa Alliance for Better Streets (CMABS), a nonprofit formed by residents in 2019 to stay abreast of changes in street design and land use and collaborate on projects that improve the quality and safety of public spaces.

He said the speed limit reductions, while not a cure-all of Costa Mesa's traffic woes, are a step in the right direction.

"This 85th percentile rule, it's an obscure thing that takes a while to explain, but everybody has some feeling of, that's not

right, it shouldn't be this way," he said. "I don't think a change in speed limits, on its own, is going to do much. But it's something, and it sends the right message."

Both Toler and Martinez

Both Toler and Martinez believe changing the design of streets to naturally lower speeds is what's ultimately needed in Costa Mesa, as it has the potential to calm traffic and reduce the prevailing rates of travel upon which limits are based.

"My hope is more people take advantage of cars going slower and get out of their cars and start walking and biking to where they need to go," Martinez said.

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