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## Suspect in hours-long N.B. standoff arrested

Police had surrounded a partially built home in Dover Shores where a suspect in 2 carjackings had barricaded himself.

BY ERIC LICAS

A man suspected of stealing two vehicles at gunpoint in Newport Beach and then hiding from officers in a partially built home in Dover Shores Tuesday surrendered without further incident, police said Wednesday.

The suspect was identified as Alfredo M. Hopgood, a 26-year-old Costa Mesa resident, Newport Beach Police officials said in a news release. He was booked on suspicion of carjacking, assault with a deadly weapon, evading police, being a felon in possession of a gun, violating parole and additional firearms-related offenses.

Investigators believe he carjacked one vehicle in the area of Fashion Island at about 3:33 p.m., police said. A witness told the Daily Pilot the Lexus RX350 initially taken by the suspect crashed into a curb and became disabled.

The suspect ran from the crash site and into a nearby parking lot, where he stole a black Jeep at gunpoint, according to police and witnesses. When officers spotted the SUV, its driver took off.

Hopgood stopped on Santiago Drive in Dover Shores and fled into a nearby house, police said. Officers surrounded the area as helicopters from the Orange County Sheriff's Department and Anaheim Police Department monitored the situation from above.

Hopgood was found in a backyard of a residence at about 8:50 p.m. Tuesday, police said. He was taken into custody without further incident. No injuries were immediately reported.

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## Driver faces DUI charge in deadly crash on I-5

BY CITY NEWS SERVICE

A 21-year-old man was charged Tuesday with manslaughter and drunken driving in a wrong-way crash that killed a 22-year-old woman on the Santa Ana (5) Freeway in Tustin.

The California Highway Patrol received calls that Dylan Erric Robinson was driving a 2015 Toyota Prius northbound in the southbound diamond lane on the Costa Mesa (55) Freeway at the San Diego (405) Freeway early Sunday morning. By the time an officer arrived in the area three minutes later, Robinson was entering the southbound Santa Ana (5) Freeway HOV transition road to the southbound Costa Mesa (55) transition road going northbound, according to the CHP.

The CHP officer turned around,

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Don Leach | Staff Photographer

**AN UNDERGROUND** utility assessment district is being considered for the Diamond-Crestview neighborhood in Laguna Beach.

## Vote on underground utility assessment district delayed

BY ANDREW TURNER

A vote on an underground utility assessment district in Laguna Beach's Diamond-Crestview neighborhood was postponed this week, as residents have called on the city to increase its contribution to the project.

Ballots submitted by all 20 property owners within the proposed district were scheduled to be counted at the Laguna Beach City Council meeting Tuesday night, but were not. Instead, council members decided to continue the item until staff returns to the panel with an alternative that would reduce the assessments by no less than \$200,000.

The Diamond Street district would see the removal of eight utility poles and more than 1,000 linear feet of overhead wires, according to Pierre Sawaya, the project manager. The estimated cost for the project is \$2.15 million.

A staff report indicated the city had been prepared to contribute \$204,001 from the

The Laguna Beach City Council directed city staff to reduce the total assessments for 20 property owners within the proposed district.

street lighting and utility fund. Mayor Pro Tem Bob Whalen made the motion to have city staff come back with a proposal that reduces the bill sent to affected property owners in hopes that it would sway votes.

"The sense that I get is that there may be some 'no' votes who would become 'yes' votes if the assessments were lower than they currently are proposed," Whalen said. "I think this is an important undergrounding project from a safety standpoint, given that this is sort of a single ingress and egress point. ... I'd like to see it have an opportunity to pass, if it can, if it's that close."

A date for the final vote on the district will be determined following council approval of a new plan, Mark McAvoy, the city's director of public works, said in an email Wednesday.

The city's total contribution would come to about 20% if the total of the assessments dropped by \$200,000.

For the project to move forward, a weighted majority of the associated property owners would have to vote in favor of undergrounding. That majority would be determined by the percentage of the assessments that vote for or against the project. Each property has been assigned an assessment.

The project would be abandoned if a majority of weighted ballots oppose the formation of the district.

Concerned residents spoke to the potential danger wildfire could present for a community with limited evacuation routes.

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Photos by Kevin Chang | Staff Photographer

**COSTA MESA** police engaged in a standoff on the 1700 block of Monrovia Avenue Wednesday, after agents from the state's Department of Justice attempted to serve a warrant to a suspect who refused entry.

**A CMPD** officer at the scene of a standoff between police and a possibly armed suspect barricaded in a building on the 1700 block of Monrovia Avenue.



## Police contain area in Costa Mesa with barricaded suspect

BY SARA CARDINE

Residents and schools on Costa Mesa's west side were put on high alert Wednesday as police faced off against a possibly armed suspect who remained barricaded inside a building after state agents attempted to execute a search warrant.

The Costa Mesa Police Department issued an initial warning to the public on social media shortly before noon, asking residents near the 1700 block of Monrovia Avenue shelter in place and urging others to keep away from the area.

The department reported officers had been helping agents with the state's Department of Justice serve a warrant on the property when the incident occurred. By 2 p.m., police had contained the area, though the unnamed individual was not yet in custody and had still not been detained as of 5 p.m. Wednesday.

Representatives from the California Department of Justice

confirmed agents from its Bureau of Firearms had been executing a warrant in Costa Mesa as part of an Armed and Prohibited Persons Systems (APPS) investigation.

Employed since 2006 as a means of monitoring firearms owners who may fall into a prohibited status, APPS maintains a database that cross-references those who purchase guns against records of individuals prohibited from owning firearms, according to a report posted on the agency's website.

"The scene is currently active, and we advise all residents to stay away from the area," a spokesperson from Atty. Gen. Rob Bonta's press office wrote in an email Wednesday afternoon. "No injuries are reported at this time."

While CMPD would not comment on the nature of the investigation, an online incident log maintained by the department

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There's nothing like the experience of watching an amazing film in a big, dark theatre. But when you find yourself in the sun, make sure to apply the proper sunscreen.

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**ACCEPT**



**FRI, OCT 14**  
**BILLY VERA & THE BEATERS**



**WED, OCT 19**  
**TODD SNIDER**



**THU, OCT 20**  
**SOPHIE B. HAWKINS**

10/6 THE SPINNERS

10/7 ACCEPT w/*NARCOTIC WASTELAND*

10/8 CASH'D OUT (*JOHNNY CASH TRIBUTE*)

10/12 LEONID & FRIENDS (*CHICAGO TRIBUTE*)

10/14 BILLY VERA & THE BEATERS

10/15 MICK ADAMS & THE STONES

10/16 PETTY CASH (*JOHNNY CASH & TOM PETTY TRIBUTE*)

10/19 TODD SNIDER / RYAN MONTBLEAU

10/20 SOPHIE B HAWKINS

10/21 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS

10/22 OINGO BOINGO FORMER MEMBERS

10/23 JOURNEYMAN (*ERIC CLAPTON TRIBUTE*)

10/27 CANDLEBOX

10/28 BUCKCHERRY

10/29 LARRY CARLTON (*FAREWELL WORLD TOUR 2022-2023*)

11/1 DAVE MASON

- 2022 WORLD IN CHANGES TOUR

11/4 YACHTLEY CREW (*YACHT ROCK TRIBUTE*)

11/5 PIANO MEN (*BILLY JOEL AND ELTON JOHN TRIBUTE*)

11/6 ARTIMUS PYLE

FORMERLY OF LYNYRD SKYNRD

11/9 BIG HEAD TODD & THE MONSTERS

11/10 MARC BROUSSARD

11/11 KIDS OF CHARLEMAGNE (*STEELY DAN TRIBUTE*)

11/12 TYRONE WELLS

11/17 DAVE ALVIN & JIMMIE DALE GILMORE AND THE GUILTY ONES

11/18 FUN LOVIN' CRIMINALS

11/19 BEATLES VS STONES

- A MUSICAL SHOWDOWN

11/20 O-TOWN

11/23 HEARTBEAT CITY (*CARS TRIBUTE*)

11/25 LEE ROCKER OF THE STRAY CATS

11/26 WILD CHILD (*THE DOORS TRIBUTE*)

11/27 CHEST FEVER THE LAST WALTZ

12/2 WHICH ONE'S PINK? (*PINK FLOYD TRIBUTE*)

12/3 WHICH ONE'S PINK? (*PINK FLOYD TRIBUTE*)

12/4 FEE WAYBILL w/SPECIAL GUESTS

12/8 THE IMMEDIATE FAMILY FEAT. DANNY KORTCHMAR, WADDY WACHTEL, LELAND SKLAR, RUSS KUNKEL AND STEVE POSTELL

12/10 FLOCK OF SEAGULLS

12/11 PROGJECT 'THE ULTIMATE PROG ROCK EXPERIENCE'

12/13 SQUIRREL NUT ZIPPERS

12/14 TOMMY EMMANUEL w/MIKE DAWES

12/15 TOMMY EMMANUEL w/MIKE DAWES



**THU, OCT 27**  
**CANDLEBOX**



**TUE, NOV 1**  
**DAVE MASON**



**SUN, NOV 6**  
**ARTIMUS PYLE**



**THU, NOV 10**  
**MARC BROUSSARD**

12/16 GARY HOEY'S ROCKIN' XMAS SHOW

12/17 WALTER TROUT

12/18 WALTER TROUT

12/21 THE RAT PACK – CHRISTMAS SHOW

12/23 AMBROSIA A VERY SPECIAL HOLIDAY SHOW

12/28 DONAVON FRANKENREITER / CHRISTINA HOLMES

12/30 L.A. GUNS

12/31 THE ENGLISH BEAT *NEW YEARS' EVE!*

1/1 THE ENGLISH BEAT

1/6 QUEEN NATION

1/7 QUEEN NATION

1/10 JAZZ IS DEAD 25TH ANNIVERSARY TOUR

1/14 THE PETTY BREAKERS (*TOM PETTY TRIBUTE*)

1/21 RONDSTADT REVIVAL (*LINDA RONDSTADT TRIBUTE*)

1/29 HERMAN'S HERMITS FEATURING PETER NOONE

2/3 DESPERADO (*EAGLES TRIBUTE*)

2/4 DESPERADO (*EAGLES TRIBUTE*)

2/10 ARETHA STARRING CHARITY LOCKHART

2/11 OTTMAR LIEBERT & LUNA NEGRA

2/12 JESSE COLIN YOUNG

2/18 JOURNEY USA (*JOURNEY TRIBUTE*)

2/25 DENNIS TUFANO / CANNIBAL AND THE HEADHUNTERS

3/5 SONNY LANDRETH w/ CINDY CASHDOLLAR

3/17 THE FENIANS

3/19 GLENN MILLER ORCHESTRA

5/21 LET'S HANG ON! (*FRANKIE VALLI & THE FOUR SEASONS TRIBUTE*)



**THU, NOV 17**  
**DAVE ALVIN**

JIMMIE DALE GILMORE



**FRI, NOV 18**  
**FUN LOVIN' CRIMINALS**



**SUN, NOV 20**  
**O-TOWN**



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UTILITY

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"If you don't underground the poles and there's a wind-driven fire event, you could have downed power lines and downed poles that block evacuation," Kevin Johnson, who resides within the proposed district, told the council.

Johnson, who has been leading the efforts to form the district since purchasing his property in 2015, said assessment values have gone up significantly since estimates were established in 2017. The average assessment currently stands at approximately \$107,505, with the property assessments ranging from \$96,228 to \$120,285.

Fire safety is a rallying cry for supporters of the project, Johnson said. Figures he provided to the council by email showed that the average expected assessment in 2017 amounted to about \$64,000. Johnson also

Don Leach | Staff Photographer

**ABOUT 20** properties in Laguna Beach's Diamond-Crestview neighborhood are located within a proposed underground utility assessment district.

advocated for the city to kick in more funds by saying there would be a general benefit to more than 130 residences that use Diamond Street as the only access point to Coast Highway.

"For Laguna, there are view considerations that are incorporated into the assessments," Sawaya said. "So certainly, properties

who do receive view benefits would see a little bit higher assessments than other properties in that district."

Assessment engineers typically consider neighborhood aesthetics and safety concerns, too, Sawaya added.

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SUSPECT

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listed two "be on the lookout" alerts for the same street and block number at 6:54 a.m. and 10:17 a.m. A third listing shows a call regarding a vehicle theft in the same area at 9:12 a.m., although it is not known whether that is related to the standoff.

Wednesday's incident triggered precautionary alerts at a few Newport-Mesa Unified School District campuses in the vicinity that were lifted once police reported the area had been contained, according to district spokeswoman Annette Franco.

"A handful of schools either went through precautionary shelter-in-place procedures, or a precau-

tionary lockdown, due to the police activity in the area," Franco said, indicating the former typically allows for the continuation of in-class instruction.

NMUSD parents were advised to stay clear of Monrovia Avenue, between 17th and 18th streets, until further notice.

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CRASH

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came upon the collision between Robinson's car and another vehicle on the southbound Santa Ana Freeway HOV transition road to the southbound Costa Mesa Freeway about 2:15 a.m., the CHP reported.

The Prius was speeding north in the southbound lanes before it slammed into a white Subaru Outback southbound on the southbound Santa Ana Freeway transition to southbound Costa Mesa Freeway, the CHP reported.

Both vehicles sustained major front-end damage and ended up on the right shoulder and HOV lane, the CHP reported. Reinne J. Lim, an Anaheim resident, who was in the front passenger seat of the Subaru, was pronounced dead at the scene. The Subaru's driver, Tommy Le, 22, of Costa Mesa, broke his right leg and right hand, the CHP reported.

Robinson sustained multiple cuts on his legs, arms and head and was taken to OC Global Medical Center to be treated, the CHP reported.

Robinson, of Altadena,

was charged with gross vehicular manslaughter while intoxicated, driving under the influence of alcohol causing injury and DUI with a blood-alcohol content of .08% or more causing injury, all felonies, according to court records. He also faces sentencing enhancements for allegedly inflicting great bodily injury on two victims.

The complaint alleges Robinson had a blood-alcohol content of .17, more than twice the legal limit of .08.

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THE DAILY COMMUTER PUZZLE

By Jacqueline E. Mathews

ACROSS

- 1 Toboggan
- 5 Arrived
- 9 Sailor's mop
- 13 Farewells
- 15 Hasn't paid yet
- 16 Parakeet's home
- 17 Item of value
- 18 Loosened
- 20 Has permission to
- 21 Many a time
- 23 Actor James
- 24 Smooths wood
- 26 Luau dish
- 27 Elk's horn
- 29 Nasty-smelling
- 32 Did an electrician's job
- 33 Dwelling
- 35 Enraged
- 37 Alimony payers
- 38 Window covering
- 39 Nimble
- 40 \_ through; transparent
- 41 Department store chain
- 42 Shopper's binge
- 43 Saddle securers
- 45 Trusty horses
- 46 "Son \_ gun!"
- 47 Gerald and Betty
- 48 Peanut
- 51 \_ up; run out of
- 52 Tub with seats
- 55 Tolerable
- 58 Leaves shore
- 60 Big cards
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- 62 Ghost
- 63 Relax
- 64 Gets full
- 65 Stops speaking

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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](http://sudoku.org.uk).

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**For answers to the crossword and Sudoku puzzles, see page A3.**

3 Lap of luxury

4 Buck's mate

5 Prices

6 Pointed tool

7 \_ culpa

8 Daring

adventure

9 Beautiful to view

10 Diminish

11 Matures

12 Flower gardens

14 Drunk

19 Denmark's dollar

22 Image on a dime, for short

25 Cold drinks

27 Blows away

28 Puts the kibosh on

29 Stewart & Steiger

30 First \_; initial judgment

31 Challenged

33 Cries of discovery

34 \_ none; with no exceptions

36 Colors Easter eggs

38 Divide

39 Drove 90 mph

41 TV's Morley

42 Emphasize

44 Healthy

45 Scouring pad brand

47 Gasoline & diesel

48 Equipment

49 A single time

50 Lyric poems

53 Trudge along

54 \_ for; requests

56 Feathery scarf

57 Destiny

59 Make fun of

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# Viet Film Festival screens entries online and in H.B.

BY LILLY NGUYEN

Viet Film Fest is back. The event, which began at the start of this month and will continue through Oct. 15, is being held in a hybrid format this year. While entries so far have been shown virtually, films will be screened Friday and Saturday at the Century Huntington Beach movie theater in Bella Terra, which organizers noted is the closest the festival has ever been staged to the heart of Little Saigon. While other screenings will be held throughout the day, the opening night feature is a science fiction story, “Maika: The Girl From Another Galaxy,” by director Ham Tran, who grew up in Santa Ana but later moved to Vietnam to pursue filmmaking. This is the 13th time the festival, organized by the Vietnamese American Arts & Letters Assn., has been held. VAALA executive director Ysa Le said the festival be-

gan in 2003 and was held at UC Irvine biannually. Not many Vietnamese films were available then, and Le laughed as she recalled the organization screening 35-milimeter film reels. By 2013 more Vietnamese films became available, and the event became annual. It was last held in-person at the AMC Theaters at the Outlets at Orange. COVID-19 put the festival on hold, but organizers brought it back digitally last year with limited screenings at the Frida Cinema in Santa Ana. While this year’s festival is still primarily online, the in-person screenings allow people to see the films as intended — up on the big screen, Le said. Festival artistic director Eric Nong said planning for this year’s festival began as soon as last year’s concluded. Nong said that while the digital platform brought in audiences from all over the world, it was important to organizers that the films could also be



A SCENE FROM the science fiction film, “Maika: The Girl From Another Galaxy,” directed by Ham Tran. The film will show Friday evening on the first day of the festival’s in-person screenings.

Courtesy of the Viet Film Fest

seen in a local theater. “The festival has local roots,” said Nong. “We can’t deny that, and the largest population of Vietnamese people outside of Vietnam is here in Orange County.” Nong said the film festival isn’t only about the Vietnamese film industry but a unique “collision” of cultures within the Vietnamese diaspora in the United States, Canada, France and Germany. The only qualification for films to be screened in the festival, he said, was that Vietnamese people be depicted or be behind the camera. “When we first established this, we didn’t foresee that films would have become something that is a part of daily life,” Le said. “Films have become so accessible. It becomes a great means to tell stories and telling stories from our

community’s perspective is important. We are more diverse than just the war, especially when the mainstream thinks about us. “The Asian hate crimes and everything — our stories. If we put it out there, then we will create more understanding and also create more awareness.” Tran, the director of “Maika,” said the Vietnamese film industry is still in its infancy, having only seen significant growth in the last decade with investment from Korean multiplex cinema chain CGV Cinemas. Prior to that, he said, much Vietnamese entertainment centered around music and was prominent in variety shows such as “Paris By Night” or used in government propaganda. Tran said completing “Maika,” was a miracle. Filming started in Da Nang

in August 2019, and the monsoon season delayed further filming. Then he faced a shortage of key crew members who took on commercial jobs during the holiday season that year. Filming resumed in February 2020 but lasted only a short time before one of the first cases of COVID-19 was identified in Da Nang. The filmmakers scouted new locations in Saigon, which subsequently shut down as the pandemic spread through the country, and in Vung Tau and Di Linh. Indoor scenes were shot on a sound stage with pandemic restrictions. On top of those challenges, the child actors in the film had largely outgrown their costumes by the time filming concluded. Tran said other issues popped up during post-production, but the film

was completed just days before the submission deadline for this year’s Sundance Film Festival. “We just powered through ... and made the film through all the obstacles,” Tran said. “That’s the message of the film is about too: It’s overcoming hardship. The film itself is about a boy who loses his mother and is so overcome with grief that he doesn’t know how to move past until he meets a little alien girl who crash lands and searches for her friend.” Tran said he had made plans to leave the film industry, when in 2018 he suffered the same loss as the movie’s main character, Hung. He said he struggled with grief over losing his mother and planned on moving back to Orange County because he didn’t want to be so far away from his family. Ultimately, however, he decided to stay in Vietnam and make the film because he wanted to dedicate it to her.

“Families — we just have to be there for each other,” Tran said. “This is Vietnam’s first sci-fi family film, but beyond that. It’s not just a kid’s film.” Le said the festival includes stories about families, gender, sexuality and domestic violence. She said the Vietnamese community faces similar struggles to those other minorities face. By sharing those difficulties, people can learn from one another, she added. “Our culture has a lot of beautiful things and traditions. We have community and family values still; we want to do that and bring out the stories that you rarely see in the mainstream media that show we are real people — not just someone here for five minutes and dies,” she said. For a schedule of the films included in the festival and additional information, visit [vietfilmfest.com](http://vietfilmfest.com).

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## CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS

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CASE NO. 30-2022-01259906-PR-LA-CJC  
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of: Linda Csigi. AN ANCILLARY PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Carolyn Lee, Joann Eltringham in the Superior Court of California, County of Orange.

THE ANCILLARY PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that Carolyn Lee, Joann Eltringham be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE ANCILLARY PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act with full authority. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 11/02/2022 at 01:30 PM in Dept. C08 located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST SANTA ANA CA 92701 CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER,CENTRAL JUSTICE CENTER.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: DANIEL COOK

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of DANIEL COOK.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed BRUNO COOK in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that BRUNO COOK be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on November 10, 2022 at 1:30 p.m. in Dept. C8 located at 700 CIVIC CENTER DRIVE WEST, SANTA ANA, CA 92701

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Please take notice that, in accordance with California Commercial Code Sections 7209 and 7210, notice having been given to all parties believed to claim an interest and the time specified for payment in the notice having expired, the undersigned is entitled to a warehouse lien against that certain mobilehome described as a 1969 GOLDEN WEST mobilehome, decal number AAT6101, serial numbers 2620 and 2620XX, label/insignia numbers 339382 and 339381, now situated at 6241 Warner Avenue, Space 144, Huntington Beach, California 92647. The parties believed to claim an interest in the mobilehome are: Linda J. Ryan, Beckman ECU. Take further notice that the mobilehome will be sold at public auction for removal only at 9:00 a.m. on October 17, 2022, at Sea Aira Mobile Estates, Park Office, located at 6241 Warner Avenue, Huntington Beach, California 92647. In order to prevent the mobilehome from being sold at the noticed sale, the amount of \$4,792.87 must be paid by any person claiming a right in the mobilehome, prior to the sale date, and the mobilehome must then be promptly removed from the park. This amount includes estimated storage charges, publication charges, attorneys fees, incidental and/or transportation charges, as provided in the Commercial Code, and is subject to further adjustment. Dowdall Law Offices, A.P.C.; Robin G. Eifler, Esq., 284 N. Glassell Street, Orange, California 92866; Attorneys and Authorized Agent for Sea Aira Mobile Estates. 10186  
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: CAROL J. KUBIS

30-2022-01279081-PR-PW-CJC

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of CAROL J. KUBIS.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed THOMAS MICHAEL KUBIS in the Superior Court of California, County of ORANGE.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that THOMAS MICHAEL KUBIS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

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GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

# Costa Mesa fends off Estancia in thriller, sweeps rivalry series

BY SCOTT FRENCH

Costa Mesa's sixth successive Battle for the Bell series sweep in girls' volleyball proved to be the toughest, and that's not a bad thing. The Mustangs had to dig deep to fend off inspired Estancia in a test that could, they hope, steel them for what's to come.

The five-set home victory Tuesday was the tightest fight between the archrivals in the 13 straight meetings Costa Mesa has won since the Eagles' 2015 sweep, and it assured a CIF Southern Section Division 6 playoff berth that was never really in doubt.

That can wait another couple of weeks. The Bell is bigger.

"This is better than anything in the world," senior setter Rosalynn Madriaga, the Mustangs' captain, said after the 25-20, 26-28, 25-17, 18-25, 15-10 win. "Ring-ing that bell, getting this [winner's] medal, is the best feeling you could ever feel: knowing that you're the city champs."

It didn't come easy. Estancia (11-12, 3-6 in the Orange Coast League), which had won just four sets in the previous 12 showdowns but lost by a combined nine points in Costa Mesa's straight-sets win last month, rallied twice from one-set deficits — fending off two set points in the second set, roaring to an early lead and pulling away late in the fourth — until Costa Mesa (10-9, 6-4) took command with a 12-4 start in the fifth.

"Whenever you play your high school rival, there's always that extra bit of incentive to go out there and give a great performance," Eagles head coach Alejandro De Mendoza said. "And I think my team did that."

It was an intense and dramatic face-off, if not particularly pretty — about 60% of the points came on errors, and service mistakes dogged both sides, Costa Mesa more so — and the home side's service and defense, especially in the fifth set, made the difference.

BOYS' WATER POLO

# Brazda leads Costa Mesa to dominant win over Edison

BY ANDREW TURNER

The Costa Mesa High boys' water polo team hopes to far exceed the length of its playoff journey a year ago.

It was a short-lived post-season appearance that ended with a first-round loss in the CIF Southern Section Division 2 playoffs.

Costa Mesa took a big step forward Tuesday, dismantling the team responsible for that ouster with a 15-7 win over Edison in a nonleague match on the road.

Wes Brazda had seven goals to lead the Mustangs, who avenged themselves with respect to a 9-8 defeat at the hands of the Chargers in the South Coast Tournament on Sept. 17.

Costa Mesa (8-9) put together back-to-back wins for the first time since a season-opening three-game winning streak, but Brazda said the Mustangs have a deep playoff run in mind — hopefully to the section semifinals or better.

"I think it's just striving for greatness," Brazda said. "If you don't have that mindset, you can't go anywhere without that kind of mindset."

Dylan Rothen also scored five goals for the Mustangs, demonstrating agility and creativity from the center position to get shots off in traffic. He was quick to pounce on a couple of rebounds that resulted in second-chance goals.

Dustin Serrano, who coaches the Mustangs with his twin brother Cody Ser-



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**COSTA MESA'S** Natasha Ruiz, left, Rosalynn Madriaga, center, and Sophia Winters celebrate a point during the second Battle for the Bell match against Estancia.

"We battled," Costa Mesa head coach Jillian Rifkin said. "Every time we play Estancia, even though it may be that they were three games, they're always so close. ... I'm really proud of them to come back and win in five, because that's something we've been talking about, battling all the way to the last point."

Reygan Schneider led the Mustangs with seven kills and a strong passing performance. Junior Kaitlyn Yagerlener added six kills, and junior Jamie Kibin was superb defensively while delivering four aces, two of them bookending an unreturned serve as they pulled away in the third set.

Junior libero Vanessa Castillo made 19 digs, and junior defensive specialist Vanessa Ochoa had 11 digs and three aces. Middle blockers Hana Batlik and Natasha Ruiz had four kills apiece, and freshman Isabel Ortega-Davidson served two aces in just 10 attempts.

Madriaga was the orchestrator, directing traffic while dishing out 23 assists.

"Rosie's everywhere," Rifkin said. "Her heart's in the right place. She's going to bring her teammates with her, she's going to hustle for every point. I'm glad she's on my side."

Joana Santosuosso (six kills, 19 digs) and Makena Ray (six kills, 16 digs) led Estancia. Sophomore Jenna Schroeder also delivered six kills, and junior Mailee

Blanchard and sophomore Emily Loz served two aces each.

Costa Mesa pulled out the first set after an early six-point lead disappeared, scoring seven of the last 10 points, and 9-1 and 7-3 runs gave it the advantage in the third.

The 31-minute second set was the highlight: Estancia led most of the way, then let a 22-17 edge slip away as the Mustangs pulled even at 23 and 24 and took leads with their 25th and 26th points. Santosuosso saved the Eagles on the first set point and a net violation on the second, and Loz's ace delivered the set.

Third-place Costa Mesa assured itself of a top-four finish in the Orange Coast League, and the top four automatically qualify for the postseason. Estancia, a Division 7 team, dropped behind Santa Ana (6-12, 4-5) — a four-set winner at Orange — into fifth place, but its Oct. 12 league finale at home with the Saints likely will determine the fourth berth, unless Santa Ana can upset Orange Coast leader St. Margaret's (23-5, 9-0) on Thursday or the Mustangs on Monday.

Rifkin believes Tuesday's triumph can be helpful in the postseason.

"I think it was good to be battle-tested," she said.

Scott French is a contributor to the Daily Pilot.



**COSTA MESA'S** Wes Brazda scores against Edison in a nonleague game in Huntington Beach on Tuesday.

Kevin Chang

rano, said cohesion is the key to success for his team. Costa Mesa managed that in a first half in which it conceded just two goals, holding Edison scoreless in the second quarter.

"We love wins, but playing disciplined and playing together," Dustin Serrano said. "They're still learning. They're still very young. A lot of them play now at different clubs, different atmospheres, so they have different systems, and we just try to make sure that they understand what we want and what we expect. ... If one person falls off, the whole chain breaks, and we're trying to make sure the chain stays strong."

Nathan Ruiz, Wyatt Juelfs and Luke De La Jara each scored one goal for Costa Mesa, which remains on the road to face Saddleback (13-4) in an Orange Coast League game on Thursday. Both teams are 1-0 in league play.

Ryan Taylor drew the start and made two saves in the first half for Costa Mesa, while Luke Duncan took over the net in the second half and stopped five shots.

Josh Winn's five-goal performance paced Edison (7-10). Jack McClung and Thomas Emerson also had goals for the Chargers. Edison goalkeeper Hunter Van Meter made eight saves in the first three periods.

"[The loss] can feel extremely deflating, but I think the reality is, every time we beat [the Mustangs] in the past, it's the same story," Edison coach Nick Graffis said. "Two really good teams battling each other out, evenly-matched, and I still think that was the case today."

The Chargers are 1-1 in Wave League play. Corona del Mar (12-7, 2-0), ranked No. 11 in Division 1, established itself as the league favorite with a 14-3 win over Edison on Sept. 28.

"At the end of the day, our goal is always to win league," Graffis said. "... I think all of our players are OK with the fact that CdM is going to be the team to beat, and it's going to be a tall order to do that, but we're not going to shy away from it."

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