

Bouchard's run ends in quarters

The Canadian Press

AUCKLAND, New Zealand

Canada's Eugenie Bouchard has been ousted in the quarterfinals of the ASB Classic for the second year in a row.

Bouchard, ranked 262nd in the world after a 2019 season in which she tumbled down the rankings, lost 6-2, 3-6, 6-4 to No. 3 seed Amanda Anisimova of the United States on Friday.

The 25-year-old Bouchard, from Westmount, Que., fell short of knocking off a seeded player (Anisimova is No. 25 in the world) for the second match in a row.

Bouchard, a former world No. 5, downed No. 8 seed Caroline Garcia of France 6-4, 6-4 in the second round.

Bouchard, who lost 12 straight first-round match-



CHRIS SYMES/PHOTOSPORT VIA AP

Canada's Eugenie Bouchard makes a return during her second round singles match against United States' Amanda Anisimova at the ASB Classic in Auckland, New Zealand, Friday.

es at one point last year, is projected to rise to No. 211 in the rankings when they're released on Monday.

The Canadian has enjoyed success at the Auckland tournament in the past. Along with reach-

ing the singles quarterfinals last year, Bouchard also captured the ASB Classic doubles title with American Sofia Kenin.

The two wins this week have marked Bouchard's first victories above a 125K event (the lowest level on

the WTA Tour) since last February in Dubai.

Meanwhile, Serena Williams and Caroline Wozniacki both advanced to the singles semifinals, then extended their first-time partnership to reach the doubles final.

Williams beat Laura Siegemund 6-4, 6-3 and Wozniacki defeated two-time defending champion Julia Goerges 6-1, 6-4 in the quarterfinals.

Williams and Wozniacki then combined to beat Kristen Flipkens and Alison van Uytvanck 7-6 (9), 6-2 to reach their first doubles final. The pair, close friends, are playing doubles together for the first time in their careers.

Wozniacki will retire after the Australian Open and, with Williams, snatched the last chance of their long careers to play doubles.

Talent rises as NFL playoffs continue onward

BARRY WILNER
The Associated Press

The best of college football will be on display Saturday night in Baltimore. Say what?

Well, if you believe the Heisman Trophy represents the top player in the college game, then consider that five of the winners will be there when the Titans visit the Ravens. It's entirely possible that the team advancing to the AFC championship game will do so because its Heisman recipient does the best job.

That probably will be difficult for Robert Griffin III (2011) and Marcus Mariota (2014) — RG3 is Baltimore's backup quarterback and Mariota holds the same job for Tennessee. But QB Lamar Jackson (2016) and RB Mark Ingram (2009) certainly figure to be factors for the Ravens. After all, they helped Baltimore to a 14-2 record, including wins in the last 12 outings.

And Titans RB Derrick Henry (2015) was an unstoppable force in last week's road victory that knocked out the defending champion Patriots.

"Five?" Jackson said of the Super Bowl-era record for Heisman recipients in a game. "I didn't even think about that. It's going to be incredible."

It could be. Except, of course, both sides have formidable defences, as the Titans (10-7) showed in holding New England to 13 points last week. As the Ravens displayed all season.

"I wouldn't say we're getting dressed and going out on the field and saying, 'Oh man, there's five Heisman Trophy winners out there.' But it is a cool aspect of the game," Griffin said. "Maybe we'll get a picture after the game, but I know that's not what we're thinking about right now."



Minnesota at San Francisco (Saturday, 2:35 p.m.)

The Vikings (11-6) outplayed the Saints in New Orleans last weekend, a big surprise, yet needed overtime to move on. Their versatile pass rush was a huge reason they won, and the Vikings will need more of the same against top-seeded San Francisco (13-3).

But Minnesota erased many of the doubts about its fortitude with that gutsy victory in the Big Easy.

The 49ers look to be getting back starters Kwon Alexander, Dee Ford and Jaquiski Tartt on defence. Those are key additions.

"It's kind of a confidence boost," linebacker Fred Warner said. "It's been a while since we had all those guys back on the field together. The more weapons we have, the more powerful we'll be."

Houston at Kansas City (Sunday, 1:05 p.m.)

Like Minnesota, Houston (11-6) showed its moxie in an overtime win last Saturday. The Texans rallied from a 16-0 deficit against visiting Buffalo.

They have the playmakers to push the Chiefs (12-4), whose defence really has come around in the past two months, and they won at Kansas City this season.

"These guys understand the opportunity in front of them and they understand what it's going to take in Arrowhead Stadium against a great football team," coach Bill O'Brien said. "They're very appreciative of the opportunity and they're going to do everything they can to try to take advantage of it."

Seattle at Green Bay (Sunday, 4:40 p.m.)

The Seahawks (12-5) will have their resilience severely tested at Lambeau Field against the rested Packers (13-3). Then again, Seattle seems to play nothing but close games.

It also seems to manage to find the right bodies to fill holes caused by injuries, and it gets optimum contributions from Russell Wilson in clutch situations.

That said, the Packers are as improved as anybody in Matt LaFleur's first season as coach, especially on defence.

"It's been an exciting year," Aaron Rodgers says. "It's funny, life in general, how much can change in a year. You think about the feeling of the organization and disappointment and everybody really being gone. Now, we're here. There's eight teams left in the playoffs. I think there's a different sentiment about the squad and which way our arrow is pointing and the excitement that the playoffs brings to the organization, the area and the region."

The arrow is pointing up in a close one.

PUBLIC NOTICES

8AM - 4PM SPECIAL SERVICES

Electric Outages	403.529.8260
Gas Emergency.....	403.529.8191
Water & Sewer Emergency.....	403.502.8042
After Hours Special Services.....	403.526.2828



DEVELOPMENT PERMITS APPROVED JANUARY 2 TO JANUARY 8, 2020 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

RESIDENTIAL	
348 SOMERSIDE CRESCENT SE	(Lot 10, Block 10, Plan 1012845) DP15289. Single Detached House (Covered Deck Enclosure).
COMMERCIAL	
800 GERSHAW DRIVE SW	(Lot 20,21,22,23,23A, Block 11, Plan 4349GS) DP15283. Change Of Use To Discretionary Use Motor Vehicle and RV Sales.
HOME OCCUPATION	
5 VALLEYVIEW DRIVE SW	(Lot 35, Block 40, Plan 6280JK) DP15291. Customers To Attend Site. Massage Therapy.
1075 MCCUTCHEON DRIVE NW	(Lot 2, Block 9, Plan 1481JK) DP15292. Employee To Attend Site. Online Sales.
41 SCOTT CRESCENT SE	(Lot 49, Block 7, Plan 9912452) DP15293. Office With Storage On Site. Consultant (End Of Life Care).

A person claiming to be affected by a decision of the Development Officer or the Municipal Planning Commission may appeal to the Medicine Hat Subdivision and Development Appeal Board by completing and submitting to the City Clerk Department, the required Notice of Appeal form within twenty-one (21) days of this publication. Notice of Appeal forms are available from the City Clerk Department, Third Floor, City Hall or on the City's website at www.medicinehat.ca

All Development Permits listed are subject to conditions. Further information on any Development Permit may be obtained from the Planning & Development Services Department, Second Floor, City Hall during normal business hours (Telephone 403.529.8374).

PROTECT WATER LINES FROM FREEZING

- The following actions should be considered to protect your water lines:
- Repair broken windows and ensure windows/vents are closed during the winter.
 - Insulate water pipes in unheated areas, including crawl spaces.
 - For sinks located against a non-insulated outside wall:
 - Open the vanity door to allow warm air to reach the water pipes.
 - A light bulb placed near the water pipe may generate enough heat to keep the water flowing.
 - Heat tape wrapped around the pipe may keep the pipe from freezing.
 - Residents of mobile homes should check the condition of the heat tape on their water service and water meter.
 - Protect unheated indoor water meter with an insulated box and water pipes should be wrapped in insulation using heat tape.
 - Outside water taps and underground sprinkler systems should have the water supply shut off inside the house at the isolation valve for the tap.
 - Sprinkler lines and taps should be drained/blown out.
 - A thin stream of water (as thick as a pen) running continuously from at least one tap will help prevent a frozen water service.
 - If you plan to be away from home over the winter period, close the main water isolation valve located next to the water meter in your home. You should leave the heat on in your meter and have someone check inside your home daily while you're away.

A frozen water service, or a burst water pipe, is an inconvenience and expense that most people would like to avoid. Please take all possible precautions to prevent this happening in your home or business.

For more information, refer to www.medicinehat.ca/eu or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176.

DEFECTIVE STREETLIGHTS Resident Alert

If you reside in the City of Medicine Hat, Redcliff or Dunmore and you notice a streetlight that is not operating properly, please notify Electric Utility at:

www.medicinehat.ca/reportaproblem

Or, call **403.529.8262**. If after hours, please leave a message.

- Please have the following information when submitting your report:
- streetlight number
 - street address or nearest house number, office or store
 - nature of problem (i.e. cycling between on and off, always off etc.)
 - number of lights out (single light, multiple lights, sequence of lights)



NOTICE OF COMPLETION OF MUNICIPAL PROJECTS

TAKE NOTICE: that construction of the following City of Medicine Hat (City) projects has now been completed:

Public Work or Structure (location)	Date of Completion
Northwest Storm Trunk/Brier Park Sanitary Bypass Phase 1	October 31, 2019
Dunmore Road Drainage Swale	June 20, 2019

In accordance with Section 534 of the Municipal Government Act, an owner of land that abuts land on which a public work or structure is situated may be entitled to compensation from the City for injurious affection to the owner's land. "Injurious affection" means the permanent reduction in the appraised value of land as a result of the existence, but not the construction, of a public work or structure.

Any claim for compensation in respect of these public works must be received by the City within 60 days of the date of this publication. Please note that a claim must be in writing and state the amount claimed and the particulars of the claim to prove the claim.

Claims may be directed to the following:
City of Medicine Hat
580 - 1st Street SE
Medicine Hat, Alberta
T1A 8E6
c/o Insurance Claims

CHRISTMAS TREE RECYCLING

Recycle your real Christmas Tree anytime between **December 27, 2019 - January 31, 2020** by dropping it off at one of the following convenient drop off locations:

- 240 Kipling Street SE - Kipling Street Recycling Depot
- 172 Altawana Drive NE - Shamrock Recycling Depot
- 3292 Dunmore Rd SE - Southwest corner of the Medicine Hat Mall parking lot

Please remove all plastic, stands, tinsel and decorations. Download the Recycle Coach App, refer to www.medicinehat.ca/eu, or contact Environmental Utilities at 403.529.8176 for more information.