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THURSDAY, JAN. 22

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (MEN'S)

6 P.M.

CBSSN — Monmouth at Hampton

ESPN2 — South Florida at UAB

FS1 — Wisconsin at Penn St.

8 P.M.

CBSN — Missouri St. at New

Mexico St.

ESPN2 — Tennessee St. at SIU-Ed-

wardsville

COLLEGE BASKETBALL (WOMEN'S)

5 P.M.

ACCN — Miami at Notre Dame

BTN — Michigan at Rutgers

5:30 P.M.

SECN — Kentucky at Tennessee

7 P.M.

ACCN — North Carolina at Georgia Tech

BTN — Southern Cal at Michigan St.

PEACOCK — Indiana at Ohio St.

8 P.M.

SECN — LSU at Texas A&M

COLLEGE FOOTBALL

7 P.M.

NFLN — The American Bowl: War-

hawks vs. Guardians, Lakeland, Fla.

FIGURE SKATING

6 A.M.

E! — ISU: The 2026 Four Conti-

nents Figure Skating Champion-

ships, Beijing

GOLF

GOLF — PGA Tour: The American

Express, First Round, Pete Dye

Stadium Course, La Quinta, Calif.

6 P.M.

GOLF — PGA Tour: The Mitsubishi

Electric Championship at Hualalai, First Round,

Hualalai Golf Club, Kaupulehu,

Hawaii

1:30 A.M. (FRIDAY)

GOLF — DP World Tour: The Hero

Dubai Desert Classic, Second

Round, Emirates Golf Club, Dubai,

United Arab Emirates

NBA BASKETBALL

6:30 P.M.

PRIME VIDEO — Golden State at

Dallas

9 P.M.

PRIME VIDEO — L.A. Lakers at L.A.

Clippers

NHL HOCKEY

8:30 P.M.

ESPN — Detroit at Minnesota

SOCCER (MEN'S)

11:15 A.M.

FS2 — Saudi Pro League: Al Ittihad

11:40 A.M.

CBSSN — UEFA Europa League:

Aston Villa at Fenerbahce

1:15 P.M.

CBSSN — UEFA Europa League:

VfB Stuttgart at Roma

TENNIS

2 A.M.

ESPN2 — ATP/WTA: The Aus-

tralian Open, Second Round, Mel-

bourne, Australia

6 A.M.

TENNIS — ATP/WTA: The Aus-

tralian Open, Second Round, Mel-

bourne, Australia (Taped)

1 P.M.

ESPN2 — ATP/WTA: The Aus-

tralian Open, Second Round, Mel-

bourne, Australia (Taped)

8 P.M.

ESPN2 — ATP/WTA: The Aus-

tralian Open, Third Round, Mel-

bourne, Australia

2 A.M. (FRIDAY)

ESPN2 — ATP/WTA: The Aus-

tralian Open, Third Round, Mel-

bourne, Australia

McIlroy: LIV, PGA Tour 'too far apart' on deal

BY THE
ASSOCIATED PRESS

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Rory McIlroy believes the PGA Tour and LIV Golf have grown "too far apart" to form an alliance and bring a splintered sport back together.

"I just don't see a world where it can happen at this point," McIlroy said Wednesday at the Dubai Desert Classic on the European tour.

Brooks Koepka's return to the PGA Tour from LIV has brought into sharper focus the fading hopes of any form of deal being struck by top officials on the two circuits.

Even U.S. President Donald Trump has gotten involved in negotiations at one point, but there's no sign of a commercial partnership that was first mooted in 2023 when the tours announced a framework agreement.

To McIlroy, who was once one of the most outspoken critics of LIV before distancing himself from talks, it looks as far away as ever.

"Just I don't see a world where the two or three sides or whoever it is will give up enough," he said, in a reference to the involvement of the European tour in talks. "Like for reunification to happen, every side is going to be sanctioned with fines by the European tour for playing the LIV Golf circuit. They are still allowed into European tour events while the process plays out.

"I think they are just too far apart for that to happen."



Altaf Qadri | Associated Press

Rory McIlroy of Northern Ireland hits off the first tee during the final round of Dubai Invitational golf tournament in Dubai, United Arab Emirates on Jan. 18.

"I just don't see a world where it can happen at this point."

— Rory McIlroy

MESSAGE TO
RAHM, HATTON

Among the top players still with LIV are Jon Rahm and Tyrrell Hatton, who were McIlroy's teammates in Europe's Ryder Cup win at Bethpage Black last year.

Rahm and Hatton are currently going through an appeal process after being sanctioned with fines by the European tour for playing the LIV Golf circuit. They are still allowed into European tour events while the process plays out.

McIlroy said paying the fines would be a sign



Altaf Qadri | Associated Press

Rory McIlroy of Northern Ireland walks after playing a second shot on the 15th hole during the final round of Dubai Invitational golf tournament in Dubai, United Arab Emirates on Jan. 18.

of their commitment to the Europe's Ryder Cup team ahead of the 2027 matches in Ireland.

"We went really hard on the Americans about being paid to play the Ryder Cup, and we also

said that we would pay to play in Ryder Cups," McIlroy said. "There's two guys that can prove it."

MCILROY'S GOALS

McIlroy will be playing

on the European tour for a second straight week, having finished tied for third at the Dubai Invitational on Sunday. He shared the lead at one stage in the final round but wound up two strokes back from winner Nacho Elvira.

The No. 2-ranked McIlroy said he is constantly shifting his expectations and goals after completing the career Grand Slam last year.

For the Northern Irishman, it's mostly about "finding joy in the process."

"I think I need to show up at tournaments with enthusiasm every single time," he said. "So playing in the places that I want to play, playing the tournaments I want to play. Not feeling like I'm at a tournament because I'm obligated or have to be there but because I want to be there."

Asked what he still wanted to achieve in golf, McIlroy said: "Olympic medal. (British) Open at St. Andrews. Yeah, maybe like a U.S. Open at one of those like old, traditional golf courses — whether it's Shinnecock this year or Winged Foot or Pebble Beach, (or) Merion."

"I would have told you two years ago," he added, "if I won the Masters, it would have been great and I could have retired or whatever. But when you keep doing things, the goal posts keep moving, and you just keep finding new things that you want to do."

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BID FOR GENERAL CONTRACTOR

The Livingston County Cooperative Extension Office in Smithland, KY is accepting bids for a General Contractor to assess work needed and to determine costs of each job individually. Bids will be accepted until Friday, February 13, 2026.

Scope of Work:
Project Description The Livingston County Extension Office will be doing work to all public spaces, as well as office areas;
• Electrical – replacing light fixtures, upgrade to LED

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• Ceiling Grid/Tile- replacing all ceiling tiles in building
• Drywall/Paint: Repair cracks in drywall and paint all public areas, repair damage in meeting space.• Flooring: Repair/replace cracked floor tiles
• General Construction- Add chair rail molding and repair walls in meeting space.

This project will need to be bid by cost of each area of work to determine order in which we will complete these items.

General Requirements:
• Contractor holds all licenses required to conduct business in jurisdictions of the site location.

• Contractor is able to pull all

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necessary permits
• Contractor is able to meet project timelines
• Contractor is able to provide all materials necessary to complete the work outlined.

Jobs can be seen/assessed on-site at the Livingston County Cooperative Extension Office located at 803 U.S. 60 East, Smithland, KY 42081 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Job must be started within 30-60 days of the time the bid is accepted and agreed upon by both parties.

Detailed, itemized bids should be delivered in-person or by mail (Livingston County Extension District Board, P.O. Box 189, Smithland, KY 42081) no later than February 13, 2026 by 4:30 p.m. For questions, please call 270-928-2168 or email sharee.schoonover@uky.edu.

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Applications will be accepted until close of business on Monday, February 9, 2026

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