

# Pacquiao ponders retirement

LAS VEGAS (AP) — Manny Pacquiao sounded like a fighter on his way out and a politician on his way up.

He might have concealed his battered face behind big sunglasses, but Pacquiao didn't hide behind excuses or denial after a discouraging unanimous-decision loss to Yordenis Ugás on Saturday night.

Yes, Pacquiao disclosed that his legs cramped throughout the fight on the Vegas Strip, depriving him of the mobility that has always made his power so dangerous.

The eight-division world champion still acknowledged the larger fact that was obvious even to most of his devoted fans around the world: He deserved his loss to Ugás, a talented opponent who probably wouldn't have been much trouble for prime Pacman.



Manny Pacquiao, of the Philippines, wipes his eye at a news conference after his loss to Yordenis Ugás, of Cuba, in a welterweight championship boxing match in Las Vegas Aug. 21.

And that might be a good reason to walk away.

"This sport is my passion," Pacquiao said. "That's why I'm still here fighting at the age of 42. I'm enjoying it, but sometimes you have to think about the response of your body.

... My mind, my heart, it's 100%. But my legs were cramping."

In the moments after he returned from a two-year ring absence with the loss to the rangy, resilient Ugás, Pacquiao repeatedly hinted he is planning to retire from boxing.

He is still alongside Canelo Álvarez as the two biggest active stars in the sport, yet Pacquiao (67-8-2) has never spoken so frankly about leaving

behind 26 years in the pro fight game.

"I've done a lot for boxing, and boxing has done a lot for me," Pacquiao said. "I look forward to spending a lot of time thinking about my future in boxing."

Pacquiao's postfight comments included a sprinkling of such catchy, pre-written phrases — sort of like a stump speech by a politician.

# Real Madrid held by Levante; Atlético wins

MADRID (AP) — After defending champion Atlético Madrid edged Elche to add to its winning start in the Spanish league, Real Madrid couldn't overcome a Levante side that was forced to finish the match with a defender as its goalkeeper.

Atlético won 1-0 at home in the return of fans to the Wanda Metropolitano Stadium on Sunday, becoming the only team with two wins to begin the league. Then Madrid couldn't manage more than a 3-3 draw even though Levante played nearly 10 minutes without a true goalkeeper.

Madrid failed to get a shot on target after Levante goalkeeper Aitor Fernández was sent off in the 87th minute for using his hands outside the area to stop a breakaway. Defender Rúben Vezo took over as goalkeeper because the hosts had already made all five substitutions, but he didn't have to make any saves in the remainder of regulation and stoppage time.

Madrid had opened the scoring in the first half with Gareth Bale, but the visitors had to come from behind twice after halftime to salvage the draw with a pair of goals by Vinicius Junior.

"It's hard to explain what happened," Madrid coach Carlo Ancelotti said. "We gave away two points. We were too soft entering the second half. We need to improve defensively."

Levante had been the last team to defeat Madrid in the league. Madrid won only two of its last five league matches against Levante.

Bale scored his first goal of the season in the fifth minute with a low shot from inside the area after a set up by Karim Benzema, who made a run from near midfield before passing the ball to the Wales forward, who had been on a loan with Tottenham last season.

Bale hadn't scored for Madrid since January 2020. He finished that season with only three goals, his lowest-ever tally with the Spanish club.

Roger Martí equalized about 30 seconds into the second half, and José Campaña put the hosts ahead with a shot into the top corner in the 57th.

Madrid evened the match in a 73rd-minute breakaway, with Vinicius Junior finding the net after a nice pass by Casemiro from Madrid's own field. But six minutes later Rober Pier gave Levante the lead again from close range off a set piece.

Vinicius Junior pulled Madrid even again with a neat angled shot that struck the far post before going in.

Madrid was depleted by the injuries of some key players such as Toni Kroos, Luka Modric and Marcelo.

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Pursuant to 5 GCA § 8109, the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Guam Economic Development Authority, a public corporation, held on August 19, 2021 at 1:30pm, is adjourned until **TUESDAY, AUGUST 31, 2021 at 1:30pm**. On that date and time, the GEDA board will reconvene at the GEDA Conference Room on the 5th Floor of the ITC Building in Tamuning, and complete business scheduled for the regular board meeting.

To request the Zoom link for this meeting, or for persons requiring special accommodations, please contact GEDA's coordinator, **Therese Santos**, at 647-4332 or at [tsantos@investguam.com](mailto:tsantos@investguam.com) by August 30, 2021. Access the livestream of this meeting by going to [www.investguam.com/live](http://www.investguam.com/live).

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