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2018 FINA Swimming World Cup – Eindhoven, Finales Day 3

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WOMEN

Sarah Sjöström (SWE) and Vladimir Morozov (RUS) are still the leaders after the third leg of the Swimming World Cup competition, held in Eindhoven (NED) from September 28-30. The Swedish star, winner of the series in 2017, concluded the Dutch leg with 54 points and her total ranking is 174 points. 1 World record, 2 World Junior records en 5 World Cup records were broken.

Sarah Sjöström, 2017 champion among women, was in great shape in Eindhoven, winning four races - 100m and 200m free, and the 50m and 100m fly. She collected two silver medals (50 free and 100 IM). In the 100m butterfly, she set a World Cup record in 54.91.

Still among women, the most prolific swimmer of the competition was again Hungary's Katinka Hosszu, with an impressive 25-medal harvest in three meets, including sixteen gold. The multi-talented swimmer triumphed in the 200m fly, and 100, 200m and 400m IM! On her way tot Budapest she has collected 399 World Cup medals since 2012. Hosszu, winner of the Series between 2012 and 2016, is the second best of the ranking so far, with 126 points.

Third is Yuliya Efimova from Russia with 93points, followed bij Ranomi Kromowidjojo

MEN

In the men's field, Morozov (second of the overall ranking in 2017) won three races in Eindhoven: 50m and 100m free, and 100m IM. For the latter, he got the best performance of the meet, after clocking a new World record of 50.26. He bettered his own record he swam in Berlin 20 with 0,04s. Thanks to his 80 points in Eindhoven Morozov passed his compatriot Chupkov.

Morozov is in the lead after the first leg of the second cluster (80 points), followed by Daiya Seto, Japan (54) and Kirill Prigoda, Russia (42).

The versatile Japanese specialist swam two World Cup Records in the 200 (1.51.09) and 400 meter individual medley (3.57.25).

“Hopefully I have more resistance in Budapest, so perhaps a world record is possible”, Seto said after his performance.

Ryan Lochte's time is 3.55.50 and has been swum in Dubai 2010.

Prigoda was victorious on the breaststroke. After bronze and gold in the 50 and 100m on Sunday he beat Anton Chupkov in the 200 meter: 2.01.59 and 2.01.70! Prigoda was excited about his winning race:

“It was amazing and unforgettable to win in this atmosphere.”

Prigoda took a bronze medal in the 200 IM.

World Junior records

Impressive in Eindhoven were the performances of Wang Jianjiahe. After she broke the World Junior record in 400m freestyle on Friday (3:54.63), the young Chinese swimmer (16) did the same in the double distance on Sunday. She took 12,49 seconds of her previous 800 meter record (8.15.35 one year ago in Doha).

After the first leg in Cluster 2 she is in the lead together with Sarah Sjöström: 54 points. The Chinese has the best FINA-points: 998 (400 free 3:54.63).

Also on Sunday the crowd and swimmers were more than happy with the atmosphere in Eindhoven. Enthusiastic and expert announcers, a fabulous DJ and 2500 spectators saw high level swimming. For instance 50 breast winner Alia Atkinson in 50 breast (29.18) and Blake Pieroni (USA), who defeated Chad le Clos in the 200 free.

“I saw the South African coming up in the last lane and thought ‘Let's kicking in’!” Another highlight was the 100 free women. In the last meters Sarah Sjöström overtook Kromowidjojo and won in 51.21. ‘Kromo’ touched the wall 0,21s later. She said: “I didn't breathe anything in the last 25. I wanted to win for myself and you in the stands”!

The daily parade of the champions concluded this swimming festival after the second win of the Dutch team in the Mixed relay (1.38.64) ahead of Russia (1:39.00) and Team USA (1:39.14). Anchor Jesse Puts raised the Dutch fans after his blood-

curdling catch-up race:

“Thank you so much. I had to catch up for all the people on the stands. I didn’t want to lose in front of my homecrowd. Really I love this kind of competition!”

The fourth meet of the 2018 edition of the FINA Swimming World Cup will take place in Budapest (HUN) from October 4-6.

Winners in Eindhoven (NED):

50m free: Men – Vladimir Morozov (RUS) 20.69; Women – Ranomi Kromowidjojo (NED) 23.25

100m free: Men – Vladimir Morozov (RUS) 45.69; Women – Sarah Sjöström (SWE) 51.21

200m free: Men – Blake Pieroni (USA) 1:47.32; Women – Sarah Sjöström (SWE) 1:52.25

400m free: Men – Mack Horton (AUS) 3:39.52; Women – Wang Jianjiahe (CHN) 3:54.63 (WJR)

800m free: Women – Wang Jianjiahe (CHN) 8:03.86 (WJR)

1500m free: Men – Maxym Shemberev (AZE) 14:45.15

50m back: Men – Mitch Larkin (AUS) 23.34; Women – Etiene Medeiros (BRA) 26.07

100m back: Men – Mitch Larkin (AUS) 50.08; Women – Kathleen Baker (USA) 55.91

200m back: Men – Mitch Larkin (AUS) 1:49.75; Women – Kathleen Baker (USA) 2:00.85

50m breast: Men – Felipe Lima (BRA) 25.92; Women – Alia Atkinson (JAM) 29.18

100m breast: Men – Kirill Prigoda (RUS) 56.88; Women – Yulia Efimova (RUS) 1:03.41

200m breast: Men – Kirill Prigoda (RUS) 2:01.59 (WCR); Women – Yulia Efimova (RUS) 2:15.62

50m fly: Men – Nicholas Santos (BRA) 22.08; Women – Sarah Sjöström (SWE) 24.61

100m fly: Men – Chad Le Clos (RSA) 49.56; Women – Sarah Sjöström (SWE) 54.91 (WCR)

200m fly: Men – Chad Le Clos (RSA) 1:51.09; Women – Katinka Hosszu (HUN) 2:02.87

100m IM: Men – Vladimir Morozov (RUS) 50.26 (WR); Women Katinka Hosszu (HUN) 57.44

200m IM: Men – Daiya Seto (JPN) 1:51.09 (WCR); Women – Katinka Hosszu (HUN) 2:05.06

400m IM: Men – Daiya Seto (JPN) 3:57.25 (WCR); 4:20.68; Women – Katinka Hosszu (HUN) 4:25.15

4x50m free mixed: Netherlands 1:29.90

4x50m medley mixed: Netherlands 1:38.64

WCR World Cup Record
WR World Record
WJR World Junior Record

Best performers in Eindhoven:

MEN

1. MOROZOV Vladimir (RUS) 2002 points, 50.26, 100m IM
2. SETO Daiya (JPN) 978 points, 3:57.25 400m IM
3. PRIGODA (RUS) 971 2:01.59 200 BREAST

WOMEN

1. WANG Jianjiahe (CHN) 998 points 3:54.63 400 Free
 2. SJOSTROM Sarah (SWE) 983 points, 54.91, 100 butterfly
 3. EFIMOVA Yulia (RUS) 976 points, 2:15.62, 200m breast
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