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## TVOGODS FORAUTRAUAANDGPMANY WORLD RECORD FOR SLOUDNOV IN SEMI FINALS

Australia and Germany won two golds each, and China and the United States one each in the six finals contested yesterday.

The host country Japan also pickedup a bronze in the men's 50 free and had finalists in three of the four women's events.

## Men's 50 freestyle

A clearcut win for Anthony Ervin (USA) in 22.09 over Pieter van den Hoogenband (NED) with 22.16. The four swimmers who shared in the medals (there was a tie for third) all had terrific reaction times at the start ranging from 0.63 for Tomohiro Yamanoi (JPN) to van den Hoogenband with 0.74. Yamanoi and Roland Schoeman (RSA) tied for the bronze with 22.18.

The race was so close that the whole field was separated by only 35/100th. There was a further tie for seventh.
"I feel great," Ervin said. "I just became a world champion for the first time. I felt great from the start. I like this race, the crowd, everything. It feels great to be here in Japan. Everything is just fine."
"It was not a good start," van den Hoogenbnd said. "I was OK after that. I'm happy with the colour of the medal because at the Olympic I got the bronze. I need to improve my start."
"This is my first international medal," Roland Schoeman (RSA) who shared third. "I wasn't nervous before the start and I thought 'just go for it.' This is just so cool. It's worth being here just for this feeling."

For Tomohiro Yamanoi (JPN) sharing the third spot and a new Asian record was: "Both the time (22.18) and the medal is unbelievable. Everything went just as I planned before the race. I did my best to prove that Japanese are able to win medals if we try hard enough. The record was a year late."

During the awards ceremony, Alexander Popov was contacted by phone, was still in his home in Moscow recuperating from his illness, and had the fastest time this year (21.91) back in June. He said had carefully planned this race all year and he immensely regretted not being here.

## Women's 200 m butterfly

Petria Thomas (AUS) won the gold with 2:06.73 after years of swimming in the wake of world record holder and now retired Susie O'Neill (AUS). "It's about time," Thomas said. "I just wanted to get out there and have a good swim. I knew it was going to be a tough race in the last 50. I looked at the clock twice just to be sure I won. I really wanted to win my first championships."

Annika Mehlhorn (GER) broke the European record with 2:06.97 and battled for the lead throughout the distance. "I did my best" (by three seconds) the 17-yearold said. My coach really calmed me down before the race."

Kaitlin Sandeno (USA) won her first bronze of two. (She later added another in the 800 free). It was her personal best with $2: 08.52$. "I was not expecting to win this race," Sandeno said. I had a hard day yesterday (5th in the 400 IM and prelims for the 800 free today). I am really happy with this result.

Thomas who is eight years older than Mehlhorn and Sandeno, had her day in the spotligh tonight.

## Men's 100 backstroke

Matt Welsh (AUS) won the race from lane one with 54.31/ "I knew I had it in me," Welsh said. "I've never swam in lane one before but it was a good place for my strategy." He was in the lead throughout ( 25.84 at the 50 ). "It took me seven years to with this gold and l'm just so happy with it. First thing I though when I hit the wall was to find my dad in the crowd. It's his birthday and I'm happy to give him a great present."

Iceland won its first ever international medal as Orn Arnarson was second with 54.75. "I just feel very good," he said. "I swam very well although my 200 is my best event. After winning five European championships this is my first world championships medal. I dedicate it all who supported me especially my coach."

In third, Steffen Driesen (GER) in 54.91. "It was great, my personal best too. I am part of the new generation of German swimmers, so mit was important."

## Women's 100 breaststroke

China's Xuejuan Luo with 1:07.18 uspet Leisel Jones (AUS) whose 1:07.96 got
second.
"I wanted the Asian record today," Luo said. "This is my first win at a major meet."
"I don't like being beaten," Jones said. "I came here to win but it will have to be the next time. On her start: "I have been working on it, and obviously I need to work harder." Her reaction at the start was 0.84 to Luo's 0.72 .

## Women's 800 freestyle

Improving by five seconds to 8:24.66 (4:12.54 at the 400) from her previous best, Hannah Stockbauer (GER) swam a perfect race, letting Diana Munz (USA) take the early lead and then even splitting to win by two body lengths. Munz in second with $8: 28.34$. Sandeno third in $8: 34.45$, tired from the 200 fly earlier.
"I didn't try to lead in the early part," Stockbauer said. "My training went really well and now I will concentrate on the 1500 free."
"After the Olympics I had a hard time training," Munz said. This is almost equal to my best time. I am excited with this happening."

## Women's $4 \times 100$ free relay

A fast German team was in the lead from the gun and their winning time was 3:39.58. "I felt we could do it," Sandra Volker who swam the last leg said. "It was a hard race," Antje Buschschulte said. It was Germany first time under $3: 40$ and a European record.

Great Britain and the United States tied for second with 3:40.80.

Roman Sloudnov (RUS) surprised with a new world record in the semi final of the 100 breaststroke with 59.94 (28.49). "Just 20 days ago I broke the minute," Sloudnov said. "I wanted to better it today." Mission accomplished.

In the men's 200 fly semi final Franck Esposito (FRA) and Tom Malchow (USA) tied with their personal best of 1:55.03. The final should be even faster, when you add Michael Phelps (USA) the youngest ever male world record holder.

The pace picked up noticeably on the second day. Records tumbled at an increasing pace including one world and 11 Championships marks. In addition four Asian, two from the Americas, and four European records were bettered.

## SWIMMING JULY 23 FINALS

## MEN

| 50 |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 50 METRES FREESTYLE |  |  |
| 1) | 22.09 | Anthony Evvin,81,USA |
| 2) | 22.16 | Pieter vdHoogenband,78,NED |
| 3) | 22.18 | Roland Schoeman,80,RSA |
|  | 22.18 | Tomohiro Yamanoi,77,JPN |
| 5) | 22.39 | Brett Hawke,74,AUS |
| 6) | 22.42 | Vyacheslav Shyrshov,79,UKR |
| 7) | 22.44 | Stefan Nystrand,81,SWE |
|  | 22.44 | Mark Foster,70,GBR |

## 100 METRES BACKSTROKE

1) $\quad 54.31 \quad$ Matt Welsh,76,AUS
2) $\quad 54.75 \quad$ Orn Arnarson,81,ISL
3) 54.91 Steffen Driesen,81,GER
4) 54.97 Randall Bal,80,USA
5) $\quad 55.23 \quad$ Markus Rogan, 81, AUT
6) $\quad 55.43$ Peter Horvath,74,HUN
7) $\quad 55.60 \quad$ Gordan Kozulj,76,CRO

WOMEN
800 METRES FREESTYLE

| 1) | $8: 24.66$ | Hannah Stockbaue, 82,GER |
| :--- | :---: | :--- |
| 2) | $8: 28.84$ | Diana Munz,82,USA |
| 3) | $8: 31.45$ | Kaitlin Sandeno,83,USA |
| 4) | $8: 31.66$ | Hua Chen,82,CHN |
| 5) | $8: 33.79$ | Flavia Rigamonti,81,SUI |
| 6) | $8: 36.67$ | Rebecca Cooke,83,GBR |
| 7) | $8: 39.32$ | Jana Pechanova,81,CZE |
| 8) | $8: 45.05$ | Sachiko Yamada,82,JPN |
| 100 METRES BREASTSTROKE |  |  |
| 1) | $1: 07.18$ | Xuejuan Luo,84,CHN |
| 2) | $1: 07.96$ | Leisel Jones,85,AUS |
| 3) | $1: 08.50$ | Agnes Kovacs,81,HUN |
| 4) | $1: 08.52$ | Sarah Poewe,83,RSA |
| 5) | $1: 08.80$ | Megan Quann,84,USA |
| 6) | $1: 08.92$ | Kristy Kowal,78,USA |
| 7) | $1: 09.48$ | Mirna Jukic,86,AUT |
| 8) | $1: 09.90$ | Rhiannon Leier,76,CAN |
| 200 METRES BUTTERFLY |  |  |
| 1) | $2: 06.73$ | Petria Thomas,75,AUS |
| 2) | $2: 06.97$ | AnnikaMenlhorn,83,GER |
| 3) | $2: 08.52$ | Kaitlin Sandeno,83,USA |
| 4) | $2: 09.08$ | Yuko Nakanishi,81,JPN |
| 5) | $2: 09.57$ | Mette Jacobsen,73,DEN |
| 6) | $2: 10.11$ | Eva Ristov,85,HUN |
| 7) | $2: 10.42$ | Mireia Garcia,81,ESP |
| 8) | $2: 11.09$ | Shelly Ripple,80,USA |
| 4X100 | FREE RELAY |  |
| 1) | $3: 39.58$ | Germany,GER |
| 2) | $3: 40.80$ | United States,USA |
|  | $3: 40.80$ | Great Britain,GBR |
| 4) | $3: 41.18$ | Sweden,SWE |
| 5) | $3: 41.32$ | China,CHN |
| 6) | $3: 42.01$ | Australia,AUS |
| 7) | $3: 43.07$ | Japan,JPN |
| 8) | $3: 44.67$ | Italy,ITA |


| SW MEDAL TOTALS AFTER 2 DAYS |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| COUNTRYGOLD | SILVER | BRONZE |  |  |
| AUS | 4 | 2 | 0 | 6 |
| GER | 2 | 1 | 2 | 5 |
| USA | 1 | 3 | 2 | 6 |
| UKR | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| CHN | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| NED | 0 | 2 | 0 | 2 |
| GBR | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| ISL | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| JPN | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| RSA | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| HUN | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| ITA | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| ROM | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| TOTAL | 9 | 10 | 9 | 28 |

## FINA BUREAU NEWS

FINA President Mustapha Larfaoui opened and presided the third FINA Bureau meeting held in Fukuoka on July 23, 2001.

SWIMMING - The FINA Points Table Ranking System 25 m and 50 m have been approved.

## 2001/2202 SWIMMING WORLD CUP

 (FINA SWC) - New rules and regulations were approved for a more spectacular edition. The two winners - a woman and a man - will be determined by the best swim achieved. For the scoring, the new official "FINA Points Table" will be used. Only the swims performed during the finals will be considered. Each swimmer will be ranked once only, even if he/she swims several races. Top three rankings in women and the top three in men will be established.The 2001/2002 edition should consist of eight meets following the provisional programme:

## Zone 1 - Americas

16-18 November 2001 - Rio de Janeiro, BRA
TBA - November 2001 - Edmonton, CAN
27-28 November 2001 - New York, USA

## Zone 2 - Asia / Oceania

3-4 December 2001 - Shanghai, CHN
7-9 December 2001 - Melbourne, AUS

## Zone 3 - Europe

18-19 January 2002 - Paris, FRA
22-23 January 2002 - Stockholm, SWE
26-27 January 2002 - Berlin, GER
The grand total of prize money for the FINA Swimming World Cup 2001/2002 amounts to US\$ 720,000, a new record. 200,000 $\$$ US are proposed for the overall prizes: 50,000 for the first, 30,000 for the second and 20,000 for the third of the respectively women and men standings. Only swimmers participating at one meet in each zone will be eligible for the FINA SWC overall prize money.

In the other hand, each local meet organizer will provide prize money of minimum US\$ 60,000 for 34 events.

Moreover, a maximum prize fund of US $\$ 40,000$ bonus is made available for world records.

WATER POLO - In the future it was agreed in principle that the yearly water polo calendar will be divided in three parts: 6-7 months for national events, 3-4 months for international events (world and continental) and 1 month for rest.

The first budget of a FINA School for Water Polo Referees has been accepted.

EXTRAORDINARY CONGRESS - To add a section to FINA Doping Rules
administration of blood tests and modify several other FINA rules an extraordinary congress will be called for 2002. It will take place in Moscow on April 2, 2002 before the World Championships (25m).

SPORTS MEDICINE - Under the theme "Sports Medicine in Aquatic Sports - the 21st century", the 24th FINA World Sports Medicine Congress will take place in Moscow on April 8-9, 2001 just after the 6th World Swimming Championships (25m).

ATHENS 2004 - The report of the ATHOC, the Organising Committee of 2004 Olympic Games in Athens, was presented by Spyros Capralos, Executive Director, accompanied by Yiannis Giannouris, Manager Sport Competition and former international and then famous water polo coach, and Petros Tsiallas, Competition Management Department. They announced that the daily competition schedule of the next Olympic Games will be presented to the IOC next December. A Press Conference by ATHOC 2004 will take place today at July 24, at 11:30 in the Press Conference Room at Marine Messe.

MOSCOW 2002 (April 3-7) - The 6th FINA World Swimming Championships $(25 \mathrm{~m})$ will take place in the Olympiiskiy swimming pool. The date limit for the preliminary entries is December 15, 2001. For media accreditation form, the date is February 1, 2002. Alexandre Polinsky, executive director, presented the report. Marina Bantsekina, deputy executive director, will be responsible for the Press facilities.

BARCELONA 2003 - Following the example of Fukuoka, the organizers of the next FINA World Swimming Championships assured that they will present an event of high quality with the support of all Spanish authorities. A consortium has been established under the presidency of Albert Batlle. Journalists can attend the Press Conference on July 27 at noon in the Press Conference Room for addional information.

INDIANAPOLIS 2004 - The 7th FINA World Swimming Championships (25m) will be organised in a temporary pool in a modern complex. All hotels will be at a walking distance of the venue.

CALENDAR - The 2nd FINA World Open Water Swimming Championships will take place in Sharm E Shheikh, in Egypt, on November 4-9, 2002 with the following programme: 4 Nov. $5 \mathrm{~km}, 6$ Nov. $10 \mathrm{~km}, 9$ Nov. 25km.

## WOMEN'S WATER POLO July 23

Women's water polo completed its preliminary rounds and will now have a rest day before the Wednesday quarter-finals.

European champion Hungary was the only team with five straight wins and heads Group $B$ and the United States of America topped Group A with four wins and a draw.

There was a log jam for second place in Group B with Australia, Canada and Greece all on three wins and two losses but when the best result was eliminated by each of the three teams, Australia had $a+3$ differential, Canada a +2 and Greece a -2 .

Russia finished second in Group A with Italy third and Kazakhstan fourth.

The quarter-finals see Hungary play Kazakhstan, Russia against Canada, Italy facing Australia and the United States clash with Greece.

Japan, the Netherlands, Brazil and New Zealand will battle it out for placings 9-12.

## MATCH 25, 09:00, RUS 10 KAZ 3

2-1, 3-0, 2-2, 3-0
RUS 10 (T Petrova, N Shepelina, E Vassilieva, E Salimova, S Konoukh, ESmurova, A Klotchkova, I Tolkounova, N Koutouzova, V Linkova) Kazakhstan 3 (A Jakaeva, L Mikhailova, N Galkina).

Russia went through the motions in wrapping up second spot in Group A with a comfortable win over Kazakhstan. In an unusual occurrence at this level, 13 separate players scored the 13 goals. Despite Russia's dominance, Kazakhstan started the scoring but it was to be two periods later that it would score again. Meanwhile, Russia rattled in six goals, all in action as neither side managed to convert the extra-player situation. The Asian qualifier gained its third goal when Russia had two players ejected at the same time. Kazakhstan had five chances but the Russians only had the one. Russia had the superior shooting power and displayed it brilliantly in a match which was only ever going to be a final dress rehearsal for the finals.

MATCH 26, 11:15, HUN 9 NED 4
0-1, 4-1, 2-0, 3-2
HUN 9 (M Stieber, A Pelle, A Primasz, A Valkay 2, K Redei) NED 4 (H Kappen 2, T Rodenhuijs, D De Bruijn).

The score may be a healthy margin for Hungary, assuring it of top spot in Group B with a clean slate, but it was the demise of the Netherlands which registered the most. The team has come to the realisation that not only has it failed to qualify for the finals but, by not being in the top eight, it has failed to qualify for next year's FINA World Cup in Perth, Australia. Only twice before in 18 major world finals, the Dutch have not played the final, so today's loss was sad for the Dutch. They led the first quarter and had probably the better of the fourth but its efforts were never going to be enough to beat the Hungarians, who had four players score twice, including Agnes Valkay, who scored her team's final two goals. For European champion Hungary, the match carried less pressure than yesterday's lastgasp 4-3 victory over Olympic champion Australia.

## MATCH 27, 11:30, ITA 18 BRA 7

5-3, 4-2, 3-1, 6-1
ITA 18 (M Miceli 4, C Allucci, G Sciolti, T Di Mario, A Araujo, C Consoli 2, S Bosurgi, G Malato, M Musumeci, M Grego) BRA 7 (M Roriz 3, C Beer 2, M Secches, C Pedrosa)

Italy won its third game and secured third spot in Group A and must now play the winner of the Canada-Australia match in Wednesday's quarterfinals. Italy didn't have everything its own way with a tough first period before shooting out to 8-3 up
midway through the second. The Brazilians held on grimly and had the score at $9-6$ early in the third but then nine unanswered goals by the Italians put paid to any aspirations had of making the finals. The Italians put away two penalties and seemed to lead a charmed life with the referees dealing strongly with the Brazilians, dealing out 13 major fouls while the Italians were ejected only six times. Italy gained an incredible 10 from 13 on extra while Brazil had to be content with two from seven.

MATCH 28, 13:45, AUS 6 CAN 4
1-0, 1-2, 2-1, 2-1
AUS 6 (N Cuffe 3, J Fox, B Mayer, T Woods)
Canada 4 (ML Arpin 2, A Dow, S Gardiner).
Olympic champion Australia probably grabbed second position in its group with the 6-4 victory over Canada and creating possibly a three-way tie, should Greece beat Japan. In an excellent match, Australia's defence was the telling story, shutting Canada out on extra man. Canada converted one from six while Australia converted three from five which proved to be the winner. Nikita Cuffe was the difference for Australia today. She had only scored twice in the tournament but sealed the game in the final period when she scored twice inside a minute. Canada led for only 24 seconds of the game late in the second. When two goals down midway through the third, Canada pulled one back but Cuffe's centre forward play and three goals proved Canada's nemesis.

## MATCH 29, 15:00, GRE 5 JPN 3

2-0, 0-2, 2-0, 1-1
GRE 5 (S Kozomboli 4, K Oikonomopoulou) JPN 3 (K Ajichi, A Kakoshi, A Hagiwara).

Greece beat winless Japan but it wasn't easy. After a 2-0 opening quarter for Greece in with

Stavroula Kozomboli scored both, Japan struck back with a penalty goal and one on extra to keep it tight. Kozomboli did the damage again in the third with another pair, the first on extra. Greece went to 5-2 before Japan pulled back a goal on extra. Japan scored three from eight on extra compared to Greece's two from five. Japan has been receiving a huge following and turning in some good games but finished bottom of Group B. Greece finished with three wins and two loses, the same for Australia and Canada. However, Australia went through in second place with a +3 differential. Canada had a +2 and Greece a -2 , leaving them to play Group A winner the United States in the quarter-finals on Wednesday.

## MATCH 30, 16:15, USA 15 NZL 3

3-2, 6-1, 4-0, 2-0
USA 15 (B Villa 4, M Dingeldein, H Petri 2, K Sheehy, C Simmons, H Moody, A Stachowski, C Von Schwarz, C Johnson, ELorenz) NZL 3 (M Thomson 2, F Hillhouse)

The United States of America found resistance in New Zealand in the opening quarter but then started to lash out, getting in a final match training session before the quarter-finals. The USA broke the back of the Kiwis in the second quarter with a 6-1 effort and then shut them out 4-0 in the third before cruising home in the fourth. USA was ahead only 43 two minutes into the second quarter before the rea action started. Brenda Villa scored four goals USA finishes top of the group and will be looking forward to the clash with Greece on Wednesday. The USA scored five from seven on extra and New Zealand gained one from five. The Kiwis will now settle into the 9th-12th place competition following the rest day.

| MEN'S WATER POLO |  |  |  |  |  |  | Men's leading scorers |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Country | Matches | Won | Tied | Lost | Points | Baco K | SVK | 8 |
|  | P A |  |  |  |  |  | Perez I | ESP | 8 |
| 1 | ITA | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | Chatzitheodorou T | GRE | 7 |
| 2 | YUG | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 |  | NED | 7 |
| 3 | SVK | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | Van der Meer H | NED | 7 |
| 4 | BRA | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | Thomas N | AUS | 6 |
| Group B |  |  |  |  |  |  | Gorshkov D | RUS | 6 |
| 1 | HUN | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 |  |  |  |
| 2 | GRE | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | Yeryshov A | RUS | 6 |
| 3 | KAZ | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | Kasas T | HUN | 6 |
| 4 | GER | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 | Polacik R | SVK | 6 |
| Group C |  |  |  |  |  |  | Sapic A | YUG | 6 |
| 2 | NED | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 |  |  |  |
| 3 | USA | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |
| 4 | CAN | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |  |  |  |
| Group D |  |  |  |  |  |  | Women's leading scorers |  |  |
| 1 | ESP | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 | Kozomboli S | GRE | 12 |
| 2 | CRO | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 4 | Miceli M. | ITA | 11 |
| 3 | AUS | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 2 |  |  |  |
| 4 | JPN | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | Villa B | USA | 11 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Di Mario T | ITA | 11 |
| WOMEN'S WATER POLO |  |  |  |  |  |  | Lorenz E | USA | 10 |
| Group A |  | Matches | Won | Tied |  | Pts Diff | Pedrosa C | BRA | 10 |
| 1 | USA | 4 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 9 | Hagiwara A | JPN | 10 |
| 2 | RUS | 4 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 8 | Konoukh S | RUS | 9 |
| 3 | ITA | 4 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 7 |  |  |  |
| 4 | KAZ | 4 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 4 | Petrova T | RUS | 8 |
| 5 | BRA | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 | Pelle A | HUN | 8 |
| 6 | NZL | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 | Bosurgi S | ITA | 8 |
| Group B |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | HUN |  |
| 1 | HUN | 4 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 10 | Valkay A | HUN | 8 |
| 2 | AUS | 4 | 3 | 0 | 2 | $6+3$ | Arpin M | CAN | 8 |
| 3 | CAN | 4 | 3 | 0 | 2 | $6+2$ | Malato G | ITA | 8 |
| 4 | GRE | 4 | 3 | 0 | 2 | $6-2$ |  |  |  |
| 5 | NED | 4 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 2 |  |  |  |
| 6 | JPN | 4 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |  |  |  |

## RRSTCANADANGODFOR BIYTHEHRILEY

After the preliminary round of 30 the women's 1 m springboard 12 girls competed in two semifinals of 6 each.

Semi final "A" seemed to be easier, than the "B" semi nevertheless the world and olympic champion Julia Pakhalina failed to make the final. Blythe Hartley from Canada had the best points (280.17) ahead of two Germans Heike Fisher and Conny Schmalfuss.

The three best divers of Semi final "B" - Jing Zhang, Wu Minxia from China and Irina Lashko (a former Russian, now Australian)- had higher results, than Hartley.

It was a very tough competition in the final, because all six finalist were doing extremely well. Hartley held the lead from the very first round of five. Her free program was more complicated, than two Chinese and her technical superiority
played in her favour: the final difference between 1st and 2nd place was only 3.24 points.

This victory was a tremendous success for Canada. They have never had gold medals at world championships.
"'m happy with my performance today," Hartley said. "'m surprised. It's a shock. The Chinese are phenomenal divers. I'm surprised that I finished ahead of them. This is the first time for me at a World Championships. I did comopete in the Sydney Olympics".

Wu Minxia: "Things went well today. I could put everything I got into the performance. I don't have any regret about today's dives. So I am glad that I received the silver medal".

Zhang Jing: "I made a minor mistake in the fifth dive, but over all everything went well".

1m SPRINGBOARD WOMEN FINAL

| 1 | HARTLEY Blythe | 82 | CAN | 300.81 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2 | WU Minxia | 85 | CHN | 297.57 |
| 3 | ZHANG Jing | 82 | CHN | 294.15 |
| 4 | FISCHER Heike | 82 | GER | 280.05 |
| 5 | SCHMALFUSS Conny | 75 | GER | 277.68 |
| 6 | LASHKO Irina | 73 | AUS | 252.81 |
| SEMI-FINAL |  |  |  |  |
| A-1 | HARTLEY Blythe | 82 | CAN | 280.17 |
| A-2 | SCHMALFUSS Conny | 75 | GER | 266.55 |
| A-3 | FISCHER Heike | 82 | GER | 259.95 |
| A-4 | HEYMANS Emilie | 81 | CAN | 247.29 |
| A-5 | KUNKEL Rachelle | 78 | USA | 240.30 |
| A-6 | PAKHALINA Youlia | 77 | RUS | 231.81 |
| B-1 | ZHANG Jing | 82 | CHN | 290.70 |
| B-2 | WU Minxia | 85 | CHN | 288.93 |
| B-3 | LASHKO Irina | 73 | AUS | 285.24 |
| B-4 | ILYINA Vera | 74 | RUS | 269.82 |
| B-5 | ISCHIA Lies\| | 83 | AUS | 264.69 |
| B-6 | LINDBERG Anna | 81 | SWE | 247.05 |
| PRELIMINARY RESULTS |  |  |  |  |
| 1 | WU Minxia | 85 | CHN | 266.70 |
| 2 | HARTLEY Blythe | 82 | CAN | 263.76 |
| 3 | ZHANG Jing | 82 | CHN | 262.20 |
| 4 | KUNKEL Rachelle | 78 | USA | 261.12 |
| 5 | LASHKO Irina | 73 | AUS | 260.97 |
| 6 | PAKHALINA Youlia | 77 | RUS | 251.85 |
| 7 | ILYINA Vera | 74 | RUS | 251.01 |
| 8 | SCHMALFUSS Conny | 75 | GER | 250.59 |
| 9 | ISCHIA Liesl | 83 | AUS | 248.52 |
| 10 | FISCHER Heike | 82 | GER | 244.71 |
| 11 | LINDBERG Anna | 81 | SWE | 239.94 |
| 12 | HEYMANS Emilie | 81 | CAN | 238.44 |
| 13 | HIRAI-SOLDATI Kimiko | 74 | USA | 237.33 |
| 14 | KASAI Rieko | 70 | JPN | 226.17 |
| 15 | ALEXEEVA Svetlana | 70 | BLR | 222.57 |
| 16 | PONTHUS Sandra | 76 | FRA | 222.42 |
| 17 | PLANKEN Lisette | 81 | NED | 220.05 |
| 18 | SANCHEZ SOTO Laura | 85 | MEX | 214.23 |
| 19 | SCHNEIDER Jacqueline | 72 | SUI | 210.75 |
| 20 | VELOSO Juliana | 80 | BRA | 209.31 |
| 21 | SALIVONCHYK Nastassia | 85 | BLR | 209.19 |
| 22 | ESCOFFIER Estelle | 83 | FRA | 207.06 |
| 23 | SOROKINA Hanna | 76 | UKR | 203.07 |
| 24 | MARCONI Maria | 84 | ITA | 200.49 |
| 25 | ESPINOSA SANCHEZ Paola | 86 | MEX | 189.45 |
| 26 | ORTIZ ESPINOSA Yolanda | 78 | CUB | 188.25 |
| 27 | BARTA Nora | 84 | HUN | 174.48 |
| 28 | FUENTES Alejandra | 83 | VEN | 170.01 |
| 29 | LYEONOVA Olga | 76 | UKR | 157.11 |
| 30 | TSAI Yi-san | 83 | TPE | 145.80 |

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RECORD SETTERS July 23

## WORLD

## - Men's 100 breaststroke:

59.94 Roman Sloudnov,RUS (semis) July 23

## WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS

## - Men's 800 freestyle:

7:52.72 lan Thorpe,AUS (prelims) July 23

- Men's 100 backstroke:
54.31 Matt Welsh,AUS (final) July 23
- Men's 100 breaststroke:

1:00.95 Kosuke Kitaijma,JPN (heat 7) July 23
1:00.40 Roman Sloudnov,RUS (heat 8) July 23
59.94 Roman Sloudnov,RUS (semis) July 23

- Men's 200 butterfly:

1:55.03 Franck Esposito,FRA (semis) July 23
1:55.03 Thomas Malchow, USA (semis) July 23

## - Women's 50 backstroke:

28.60 Haley Cope,USA (prelims) July 23
28.48 Natalie Coughlin,USA (semis) July 23

- Women's 100 breaststroke:

1:07.18 Xuejuan Luo,CHN (final) July 23

- Women's 200 butterfly:

2:06.73 Petria Thomas,AUS (final) July 23

## ASIA

- Men's 800 freestyle:

7:57.99 Shunichi Fujita,JPN (prelims) July 23

- Men's 50 freestyle:
22.18 Tomohiro Yamanoi,JPN (final) July 23
- Men's 100 breaststroke:

1:00.95 Kosuke Kitajima,JPN (heat 7) July 23
1:00.61 Kusuke Kitaijima,JPN (semis) July 23

- Women's 100 breatstroke:

1:07.18 Xuejuan Luo,CHN (final) July 23

## AMERICA

- Women's 50 backstroke:
28.60 Haley Cope,USA (prelims) July 23
28.49 Natalie Coughlin,USA (semis) July 23


## EUROPE

- Men's 100 breaststroke:
59.94 Roman Sloudnov,RUS (semis) July 23
- Men's 200 butterfly:

1:55.03 Franck Esposito,FRA (final) July 23

- Women's 200 butterfly:

2:06.97 Annika Mehlhorn, GER (final) July 23

- Women's $4 \times 100$ free:

3:39.58 Germany, GER (final) Jul 23


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