



Junior C1 Senechault.



Junior K1 winner Galuskova.



Men's U23 winner Oulhen.



Women's U23 extreme Satila.

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Anatole Delassus provided the run of the world championships on a day when his team picked up another two gold medals, the Czech Republic once again found the top of the podium and Ana Satila broke through for the biggest win of her career.

Delassus posted an incredible 85.15 seconds to win the junior K1 final. Czech Jakub Krejci, the second last paddler on the course, set 85.42, a time faster than the winning time in the U23 K1 earlier in the day, but he and the big crowd looked on in disbelief as the young Frenchman went even faster to snatch the gold away.

'It's fantastic. I didn't know the time of Jakub at the start so I'm so happy,' Delassus said.

'I was not in good form at the start of this year and French team selection was bad for me but I feel very well now so I'm very happy.

'This is my last year as a junior. Next year will be the same, just a little bit harder.'

The bronze went to Slovenia's Vid Ostrbenk in a time of 89.61.

France's second gold medal on Saturday came in a dramatic men's U23 K1 where a sudden surge in water levels caused a mid final delay. After the break it was Frenchman Pol Oulhen who hit the water the hardest, posting a time of 86.02 to take the gold.

'It was exciting. We had to wait a few minute but I think that was good for me. I had a good feeling and I really enjoyed my run,' Oulhen said.

'This was my last U23 championship so I think this was the moment to make a medal. I've never won an U23 medal before so it's cool for me and a good way to start the senior category.'

Training partner Mathurin Madore finished in 86.32 with former junior world champion Mario Leitner of Austria 3rd in 87.82.

Ana Satila broke through for her first major win of her career, taking the U23 C1 final ahead of Alsu Minazova with Monika Skachova taking bronze.

Satila has been one of the strongest performers in women's C1 for several seasons but a gold medal at a major international event had always eluded her.

She received a further setback on Friday when she was awarded a 50 second penalty in the women's K1 event but showed her determination on Saturday by posting the quickest time in the C1 semi final and then following up with the gold medal run in the C1 but she said her run was still not the best she could do.

'Not yet. I want much more than this,' she said.

'I'm happy with my race today but its not what I really want. I want much more than this and I'm going to fight for that to the end and make my dreams come true.

'I'm so happy for my friends and supporters and for Brazil. I really think I've grown up in this race a lot today.'

Minazova set the fastest raw time of the final but had two gate touches which slipped her behind an error free Satila.

Gabriela Satkova successfully defended her 2018 junior C1 world title with an impressive performance to add more gold to her country's collection for the week.

Satkova was one of the only paddlers to master the Kraków course in a messy final, eventually finishing 2.58 seconds ahead of Tereza Kneblova to end her junior career on a high.

'I knew it was going to be harder than last year because of the pressure but I really just hoped to do my best,' Satkova said.

'It's the hardest thing in the world for me to not be stressed and to be focused. You never know if you're going to be fast enough. I was so nervous. I didn't know if I could do it again.

'Next year will be so hard for me because all the girls are so strong and it's so hard to beat them.'

Marta Bertonecchi picked up the bronze medal.

Brazil, Great Britain, Russia and the United States all picked up gold medals in the extreme slalom on the final day of competition.

Just 24 hours after winning the U23 C1 title, Ana Satila picked up her second gold medal of the competition, winning the U23 extreme slalom final in wet and windy conditions. Amalie Hilgertova, who won the U23 K1 title on Friday, finished 2nd.

Satila is also the reigning world champion, having won on her home course in Rio last year.

'It's amazing. I'm so happy. Today was such a long day and I was really tired from yesterday,' she said, 'but it's good I was racing for my country and for myself and to have a bit of fun in the water doing the greatest sport. I'm happy to get another medal.

'It's more in the mind than anything else, I think. We spent the whole day in the sun and the rain and everything happened and we had to stay focused.'

The competition had to be delayed owing to a thunderstorm but when competition resumed it was Russia's Sergey Maimistov who provided the lightning on the water, winning the men's U23 title.

He finished ahead of Austria's Matthias Weger and Slovenia's Tine Kancler. 'It's really nice to be a world champion. I feel quite emotional,' Maimistov said.

'I don't train too much for this event but I train enough.'

Evy Leibfarth reached another milestone in her short paddling career, taking the gold in the junior extreme slalom. She beat Austria's Antonia Oschmautz and Czech Katerina Bekova.

'I'm pretty excited; it was definitely a fight to the finish,' Leibfarth said.

'Extreme slalom is so much fun. Slalom I obviously love but this is a way to be stress free and go out and have fun.

'I'm definitely feeling pretty tired but I'm excited. I'm really happy with my kayak performance this week; my C1 final didn't go as well as I hoped but I just have more to work on for next year.'

Etienne Chappell won the extreme slalom at the opening senior ICF world cup in the Lee Valley earlier this year and followed up with junior gold in Kraków on Sunday.

He beat home Russia's Egor Smirnov with Germany's Jakob Hein 3rd.

'It's nice after everything that has happened this week,' Chappell said.

'It was a good strong final. I love that. It's just a great sport.

'Obviously my slalom didn't go as good as it could have done but that's the sport.'

The Czech Republic won the champion team cup as the most successful nation over the world championships. The Czechs finished with six gold medals.

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K1WJ: 1 A Galuskova, Ceska, 100.91. 2 A Hecovar, Slovenija, 102.00.

3 E Leibfarth, USA, 102.35. 11 L Leaver, GB. 13 B Farrow, GB. 15 E Miller, GB.

K1WU23: 1 A Hilgertova, Ceska. 95.22. 2 K Zwolinska, Polska, 95.76. 3 S Jones, Deutschland,

98.34. 7 S Olgilvie, GB, 101.14. 8 M Homer-Evans, GB, 103.15. 14 N Setchell, GB.

K1MJ: 1 A Delassus, France, 85.15. 2 J Krejci, Ceska, 85.42. 3 V Ostrbenk, Slovenija, 89.61.

4 J Dickson, GB, 89.87. 6 B Haylett, GB, 93.63. 9 E Chappell, GB, 138.55.

K1MU23: 1 P Oulhen, France, 86.02. 2 M Madore, France, 86.32.

3 M Leitner, Osterreich, 87.72. 6 C Bowers, GB, 92.19.

C1WJ: 1 G Satkova, Ceska, 105.15. 2 T Kneblova, Ceska, 107.73. 3 M Bartoncelli, Italia, 109.93.

7 B Farrow, GB, 117.56. 11 E Miller, GB.

C1WU23: 1 A Satila, Brasil, 101.06. 2 A Minazova, Rossija, 104.45.

3 M Skachova, Slovensko, 105.95. 17 S Olgilvie, GB.

C1MJ: 1 N Polencic, Slovenija, 98.47. 2 S Nowobilski, Polska, 99.22. 3 A Fischer, France, 99.26.

6 A Boote, GB, 103.21. 8 J Kettle, GB, 107.40. 19 K Rozentals, GB.

C1WU23: 1 N Gestin, France, 90.39. 2 L Roisin, France, 91.34. 3 L Jegou, Ireland, 91.97.

K1WJT: 1 France, 105.41. 2 Ceska, 106.21. 3 GB, 107.40.

K1WU23T: 1 France, 104.77. 2 Ceska, 107.20. 3 Deutschland, 108.21. 7 GB, 113.48.

K1MJT: 1 GB, 91.49. 2 Ceska, 94.25. 3 Deutschland, 95.41.

K1MU23T: 1 France, 89.83. 2 Slovensko, 90.92. 3 Espana, 92.23. 9 GB, 97.26.

C1WJT: 1 Italia, 120.44. 2 Slovensko, 129.66. 3 Ceska, 130.74. 9 GB, 171.45.

K1WU23T: 1 Ceska, 108.52. 2 France, 112.06. 3 Australia, 119.54. 4 GB, 119.98.

C1MJT: 1 France, 100.74. 2 Deutschland, 101.64. 3 GB, 103.30.

C1MU23T: 1 Italia, 94.69. 2 Slovensko, 96.51. 3 Ceska, 96.53. 8 GB, 100.98.

K1XWU23: 1 E Leibfarth, USA. 2 A Oschmautz, Osterreich.

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K1XMJ: 1 E Chappell, GB. 2 E Smirnov, Rossija. 3 J Hein, Deutschland.

K1XMU23: 1 S Maimistov, Rossija. 2 M Weger, Osterreich. 3 T Kancler, Slovenija.