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## Swimming, day 4, flash quotes-afternoon

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### **PELLEGRINI Federica (ITA), 1:54.73, won in women's 200m freestyle:**

*"As I was only fourth at the Olympic Games last year, so this is a great succes for me. I was thinking of the medals but I never thought it would be gold! What a nice gilft for the last 200m freestyle of my life."*

### **LEDECKY Katie (USA), 1:55.18, finished as 2nd in women's 200m freestyle:**

*"It was a very tough competition and a very good race.I think I have to watch the video of the race before I can tell more but I am still motivated for all the other races here."*

### **MCKEON Emma (AUS), 1:55.18, won bronze medal in women's 200m freestyle:**

not available on due of the mixed relay

### **HOSSZÚ Katinka (HUN), 1:56.35, finished at the 7th place in women's 200m freestyle:**

*"I wished for a better place finish but the field was rather strong, 200m requires extensive experience. I had no specific strategy, it was a final hence I did my very best. I knew I could finish just about anywhere from the podium to the 8th place, it went like this now. Nevertheless, I am happy that I could race in the final and I enjoyed doing so in front of a home crowd."*

### **LE CLOS Chad (RSA), 1:53.33, won the competition in men's 200m butterfly:**

*"I knew that it will be a very difficult final, because I had serious opponents from Hungary. I expected to finish third or fourth but of course now I am really happy to reclame the gold from 2013"*

### **CSEH László (HUN), 1:53.72, won silver in men's 200m butterfly:**

*"The strategy was to save some energy in the first leg and start accelerating gradually. I thought Chad will not manage to keep up till the very end as he started off really strong but he did an excellent job and could sprint until the final second. I am happy about my silver,*

*firstly because I could clinch a silver in front of a home crowd, secondly I am satisfied with the time result, as well. I always say if I could choose someone to go down against it should be Chad, he is one of the best swimmers in the world and I always look forward to racing against him. As for the future, I would like to correct those minor mistakes I made today, also"*

**SETO Daiya (JPN),**

Was not available.

**KENDERESI Tamás (HUN), 1:54.73, finished in the 4th position in men's 200m butterfly:**

*"I am somewhat at loss of words now, this is the kind of final I hoped to comment on afterwards. In fact I do not really understand what happened, I couldn't even get close to the performance I aimed for and it annoys me pretty much. Of course, a fourth place finish at the World Championships is not something to be ashamed of yet I expected way more than this. In the last leg I could sense the others were swimming fast beside me but I was focusing on the final sprint only. This time it did not go as well as it usually does, I guess the last 50 was over 30 unfortunately. Maybe it soaked up my energy that in the beginning I was catching up with others too much, but my original plan was to go below 1:53 and it required fast pace right from the start. "*

**PEATY Adam (GBR), 25.99, won the World Championships in men's 50m breaststroke:**

*"I'm really happy, my target was 26,2. I knew I could do that from training, but under 26 is amazing. I knew I could get faster, and one day maybe I will come back and break this time as well, but for now, I'm over the moon obviously. I'm flattered that people mention me together with the greatest of the sport, and I am the one to beat, but no one is unbeatable, the only question is when and where."*

**GOMES JUNIOR Joao (BRA), 26.52, won a silver medal in men's 50m breaststroke:**

*"I didn't feel very well in the beginning, I was worried about the time and the final touch at the wall, but in the end I saw the light. I can say it was a perfect race because I won a medal. I was always thinking about Peaty, focus on him during the 50 meters, however I'm very happy with the result. The competition as a whole is very good, the facilities and transport is amazing, and those things helped me as well to achieve this result."*

**VAN DER BURGH Cameron (RSA), 26.60, finished in 3rd place in men's 50m breaststroke:**

*"This is my six medal in a row in this event since 2007. I must confess that I came for that, and that why I skipped the 100m breaststroke. Regarding the future I have no idea so far, but i will take it as it comes."*

**SZILÁGYI Liliána (HUN), 2:07.67, reached the final with the 7th best time in**

**women's 200m butterfly:**

*"I might not seem to be rejoicing unreservedly, but the thing is I am focusing on the final tomorrow. Inside I am really glad, my goal was to make it to the final and I could do it. I started off real strong, maybe I have set a too fast pace in the beginning so it turned out to be a rather tough race in the end. I was a bit more nervous as well, after the Olympics last year it is more demanding mentally to swim in the semi-final. Conclusions drawn, I know what I need to do better tomorrow, we shall see."*

**HOSSZÚ Katinka (HUN), 2:07.37, reached the final with the 6th best time in women's 200m butterfly:**

*"I don't feel exhausted really, I have some reserves left although I have swum quite a lot already. The final tomorrow will tell how much I can take."*

**DETTI Gabriele (ITA), 7:40.77, won the men's 800m freestyle with European record:**

*"It seemed until the last turning that the Wojdak and Paltrinieri would fight for the gold but in the last 50m I saw I was not that far from them so I thought I would give it a try. Maybe they did not see lane 7 so well so I wanted to take advantage of it. I am really happy about victory since this is my favourite event. I really wanted to win 800m and I managed to do so. From now on my focus is the 4X200m relay, I hope we will make it to the podium with the team, as well."*

**WOJDAK Wojciech (POL), 7:41.73, won silver medal in men's 800m freestyle:**

*"My coach expected the time I did in the race. I tried to catch up with the Italian guys but I did not succeed completely. Anyway, I am very happy with the second place and looking forward to the 1500 freestyle."*

**PALTRINIERI Gregorio (ITA), 7:42.44, finished at 3rd position in men's 800m freestyle:**

*"It was a really tough race, Gabriele on one side and Sun on the other, I had to make sure to pay attention to everyone. I was leading but I knew a lot of fellow swimmers would sprint fast at the end. Until mid-time I was trying to keep my own pace, however, this way I could not gain enough advantage to avoid others getting ahead of me in the final sprint. It is a really fast pool, I loved racing here. The arena was packed with spectators, including a lot of Italians, the atmosphere was amazing."*

**GREVERS Matt (USA), 3:38.56, his team won the mixed 4x100m medley relay with new world:**

*"I felt great, there was a lot of hype for the relays, especially because of the great time achieved this morning. I tried to prove my worth, I was as fast as I could. The coaches put us together figuring out the best combination, they did great work. Two world records in one day from eight different people, I don't know how often that happens. We are really happy."*

**Xu Jiayu (CHN), 3:41.25, finished at shared 3rd place in mixed 4x100m medley relay:**

*"I was much more relieved swimming today than yesterday when I clinched gold, because I was considered a favourite then which put a lot of pressure on me, whereas this time I was feeling great in the pool. I love this event, this is the most complex of all, since in addition to having different swims it is also important to ensure harmony between male and female swimmers. What is more, it has is included now in the Olympic curriculum therefore it is taken more seriously which is also reflected by the gradually improving time results as well. It was quite an experience to be so many on the podium. It doesn't happen that often. "*