

New champs crowned

Records tumbled as greatness was born and thrilled the crowd in Paris, with track and field champions delivering a thriller



Gold medallist US' Masai Russell celebrates with the national flag



Bronze medallist Britain's Georgia Bell, gold medallist Kenya's Faith Kipyegon and silver medallist AU celebrate after competing in the women's 1500m final

Russell rules hurdles

Paris, France

Masai Russell of the United States snatched victory in the Olympic women's 100m hurdles yesterday, edging out France's Cyrena Samba-Mayela in a photo finish. Russell edged home in 12.33sec to take gold, just a whisker ahead of Samba-Mayela, who clinched the host nation's first athletics medal of the games in 12.34sec. Puerto Rico's Jasmine Camacho-Quinn took bronze in 12.36sec.

Ingebrigtsen storms to gold in 5,000m

Paris, France

World champion Jakob Ingebrigtsen overcame surging Ethiopian team tactics to win the Olympic men's 5,000m in Paris yesterday. The Norwegian, who finished fourth in the 1,500m, timed 13min 13.66sec for gold, Kenya's Ronald Kwemoi taking silver in 13:15.04. American Grant Fisher will return home with two bronzes after rounding out the podium (13:15.13) as he had also done in the 10,000m race.

Tola takes marathon

China sweeps diving with eight golds in Paris

AFP | Paris, France

Ethiopia's Tamirat Tola broke the Olympic record to win the men's marathon on Saturday as China completed an unprecedented clean sweep of all eight diving medals. New Zealand's Lydia Ko upgraded to a gold in the women's golf while Victor Wembanyama's France prepared to take on the mighty USA in a dream basketball final.



Ethiopia's Tamirat Tola crosses the finish line to win the men's marathon

Tola dominated the marathon on the sun-drenched streets from central Paris to Versailles as Eliud Kipchoge's bid for a third straight gold went up in smoke. The 22-year-old delivered a masterclass in solo front running to clock a time of 2hr 06min 26sec, 21 seconds clear of Belgium's Bashir Abdi, the bronze medallist from Tokyo, with Kenya's Benson Kipruto taking bronze. "I'm happy today. I was 2022

world champion and now I'm Olympic champion," said Tola. "It's the greatest day in my life. This was my goal." Former world record holder Kipchoge, the 39-year-old Kenyan who won golds in the 2016 Rio Games and in Tokyo in 2021, pulled up late in the race. In scenes captured by an AFP reporter in the crowd, Kipchoge turned to fans and handed over his shoes, bib and socks to supporters, receiving a rapturous reception. Later Saturday, China underlined their total domination of Olympic diving by winning their eighth gold out of eight events, as Cao Yuan triumphed in the men's 10m platform. The Chinese also swept the board in the table tennis for the sixth time in Olympic history, with China's women overpowering Japan in the team event.

China women boxers reign

AFP | Paris, France

China's women boxers have made an Olympic breakthrough in Paris with their first golds in a sport that was once banned under Mao Zedong. Women's boxing made its Olympic debut at London 2012 and after some near-misses, China struck gold this week with victories on successive evenings. On Thursday, Chang Yuan clinched the 54kg crown and 24 hours later it was the turn of Wu Yu as she prevailed at 50kg. There could yet be a third gold for China when Li Qian fights in the women's 75kg



(L-R) Gold medallist China's Chen Yiwen and bronze medallist China's Chang Yani title-decider later Saturday. Also boasting two silvers, women's boxing team at the Games heading into the final night of action.

Wanyonyi wins 800m

AFP | Paris, France

Kenya's Emmanuel Wanyonyi held off world champion Marco Arop of Canada to win Olympic men's 800m gold in Paris. Wanyonyi clocked a personal best of 1min 41.19sec

for victory, Arop taking silver at just one-hundredth in a North American record. Pre-race favourite Djamel Sedjati of Algeria claimed bronze with 1:41.50, while Bryce Hoppel was fourth in 1:41.67, an American record.

Benjamin anchors US to men's 4x400m relay gold

AFP | Paris, France

Rai Benjamin anchored the United States to victory in the Olympic men's 4x400m relay in Paris. Benjamin, who won the 400m hurdles gold, helped the US quartet also featuring Christopher Bailey, Ver-

non Norwood and Bryce Deadmon to an Olympic record of 2min 54.43sec. Botswana, with 200m champion Letsile Tebogo on their fourth leg, took silver in an African record of 2:54.53, while Britain claimed bronze in a European record of 2:55.83.



Gold medallist Japan's Haruka Kitaguchi celebrates winning the women's javelin throw final of the athletics event



Gold medallist New Zealand's Hamish Kerr (L) high five Qatar's Mutaz Essa Barshim's (bronze) son as he celebrates

US win women's 4x400m relay

US' Alexis Holmes reacts as she crosses the finish line in the women's 4x400m relay final of the athletics event



Swanson strike hands USA Olympic women's football gold against Brazil

Paris, France

Mallory Swanson scored the winning goal as the United States edged Brazil 1-0 in yesterday's Olympic women's football final to claim the gold medal for a record-extending fifth time.

Brazil fought hard on a hot afternoon at the Parc des Princes, but the USA struck just before the hour mark when Swanson -- on her 100th cap -- ran through to finish past goalkeeper Lorena.

Standings					
#	NOC	G	S	B	Total
1	China	39	27	24	90
2	United States	38	42	42	122
3	Australia	18	18	14	50
4	Japan	18	12	13	43
5	France	16	24	22	62
6	Great Britain	14	22	27	63
7	South Korea	13	8	9	30
8	Netherlands	13	7	12	32
9	Germany	12	11	8	31
10	Italy	11	13	15	39
51	Bahrain	1	1	1	3

(As of closing)