

Djokovic downs Nadal as Daley dives to fifth Olympic medal

Epic rivalry ends with Djokovic's triumph, Daley shines in diving, and weather impacts

● Djokovic defeats Nadal 6-1, 6-4 at Roland Garros

● Nadal stages second-set comeback before falling short

● Tom Daley secures fifth Olympic medal in diving

● Triathlon training cancelled due to Seine pollution



Tom Daley and Noah Williams dive



Serbia's Novak Djokovic (L) and Spain's Rafael Nadal (R) speak ahead of their match

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Novak Djokovic overcame a gritty Rafael Nadal comeback yesterday in probably the last chapter of their epic tennis rivalry at the Paris Olympics, where British diver Tom Daley grabbed his fifth medal in five Games.

In the pool, Canada's Summer McIntosh launched her bid for 400m medley gold in the morning session, with Australian Ariarne Titmus hotly tipped to win her second swimming gold later in the day.

With fans basking under glorious blue Paris skies, a happy con-

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trast to the soggy opening ceremony only three days ago, golds are up for grabs in 11 sports.

As forecasters issued a heat warning for Paris and surrounding areas, the hottest ticket in

town was at Roland Garros, where Djokovic and Nadal clashed for a 60th time.

Coming into the match, Djokovic held a razor-thin 30-29 edge in their rivalry but the Spaniard had always ruled the roost on the clay in the French capital down the years.

Age and injuries have caught up with the Spanish great however and he had warned before the match he would struggle to be competitive with Djokovic.

That proved painfully prescient in the first set as the ruthless Serb dispatched the former king of clay 6-1.

But Nadal rolled back the years in the second set, roared on by a packed Roland Garros crowd, fighting back from 4-0 down to 4-4 with two breaks of serve.

Djokovic found an extra gear at the end to claim a 6-1, 6-4 victory, the two tennis legends embracing at the net and Nadal waving to the Roland Garros faithful.

'It's very sad'

In diving, Daley took an emotional silver medal with partner Noah Williams in the men's synchronised 10m platform behind China's Lian Junjie and Yang Hao.

Williams choked back tears as he recalled his former coach Dave Jenkins, who died in 2021 after the last Olympics in Tokyo.

Daley, whose father Rob died of cancer in 2011, told the BBC: "I've never seen Noah cry in my whole life, I know how much today mean to him."

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The Djokovic-Nadal match marked their 60th encounter, with Djokovic now leading 31-29 in their historic rivalry



Sailing: Windsurfers take the start of Race 1 of the men's IQFoil windsurfing event during sailing competition at the Roucas-Blanc Marina in Marseille

Bahrain's Al-Obaidli finishes sixth in 100 metre backstroke heats

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Bahrain's swimmer Summier Amani Al-Obaidli made a remarkable impact in the 100 Metre Backstroke event at the Paris 2024 Olympics. Al-Obaidli set both a new personal best and a national record during the heats, finishing in sixth place.

Al-Obaidli completed the Heat 2 with a time of 1:04.27. However, she did not advance to the semi-finals.

Although Al-Obaidli's journey in the 100 Metre Backstroke concluded with the



Amani Al-Obaidli

heats, her achievements at Paris 2024 are a proud moment for Bahrain.



Men's cross-country mountain biking - Britain's Thomas Pidcock celebrates his victory after winning the men's cross-country mountain biking



Hockey: Australia's players celebrate their first goal in the men's pool B field hockey match between Ireland and Australia



Swimming - Men's 800m freestyle: Vietnam's Huy Hoang Nguyen takes a breath in the men's 800m freestyle



Canoe slalom: Germany's Sideris Tasiadis competes in the men's canoe single semifinal of the canoe slalom competition