

Olympic Update: Kyle Snyder Takes Silver, Nichelle Prince Wins Gold



Former Ohio State wrestler Kyle Snyder fell short of defending his Olympic gold medal, losing 6-3 to Abdulrashid Sadulaev of Russia in the men's 97kg freestyle final.

Snyder faced off against Sadulaev for the third time in his career. Both wrestlers had defeated each other once before, and Saturday morning's pairing was the rubber match.

Sadulaev entered the match having won 56 consecutive bouts, and his last loss came to Snyder at the 2017 World Championships. The Russian exacted his revenge in a hard-fought battle to claim the top spot on the podium.

Snyder fell in a hole early, allowing Sadulaev to take a 6-0 lead after a takedown and a pair of two-point counters. He battled back to score the match's final three points, but the initial deficit proved to be too much for Snyder to overcome.

Still, Snyder becomes the first wrestler in Ohio State history to win multiple Olympic medals. Following his gold-medal-winning Olympics in Rio, Snyder defeated Canada's Jordan Steen (12-2), Italy's Abraham Conyedo (6-0) and Turkey's Suleyman Karadeniz (5-0) on his way to the finals.

Women's Soccer

Former Ohio State soccer player Nichelle Prince won gold as a member of Team Canada. In the final, Canada defeated Sweden in penalties.

After 90 minutes of regulation, Canada and Sweden tied 1-1. The Canadian team kicked a successful shootout attempt in the first round, before Sweden took the lead 2-1 in the third round.

Canada's Deanne Rose knotted up the score before goalkeeper Stephanie Labbé made a critical save in the sixth. Immediately after, 20-year-old Julia Grosso scored the medal-clinching goal for the Canadians with a kick to the left side of the net.

Prince started in each Olympic contest for Team Canada, including the 1-0 win over the United States women's national team on Monday. The former Ohio State forward won her second career medal as she received bronze for Team Canada in the 2016 Rio Games.