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Day 2 Highlights from the ISU's World Cup Speed Skating in Salt Lake City

Heather Bergsma breaks 1500m world record and wins gold

The US Speedskating team continued a strong performance at the ISU World Cup Speed Skating in Salt Lake City, collecting three medals on the second day of competition, including a world record-setting performance by **Heather Bergsma** (High Point, N.C.).

Bergsma just missed the podium in the 500m (2) but didn't let that rattle her in the 1500m. Paired up in the final heat with American teammate **Brittany Bowe** (Ocala, Fla.), who set the 1500m-world record last weekend in Calgary, Bergsma crossed the finish line in a world record-breaking time of 1:50.85 to win the gold.

In the men's 10,000m, history was written as Canada's Ted-Jan Bloemen set a world record going 12:36.30. Bloemen beat the old record by over five seconds, which was held by the Netherland's Sven Kramer at 12:41.69 (March 10, 2007 in Salt Lake City).

Highlights from Day 2 (Nov. 21)

- **Sugar Todd** placed ninth in the 500m (2) skating a 37.67...her 10.38 opening 100m was the second-fastest opener of the A Division.
- **Brittany Bowe** took home the bronze medal in the 500m (2), skating a 37.08...it was her second bronze in the 500m over the two World Cups.
- **Shani Davis** skated a season-best 1:07.37, just missing the podium and finishing fourth.
- In the 1000m, **Joey Mantia** went a personal-best 1:07.47.
- Bowe skated a personal best in the 1500m, going 1:51.31 and finishing second to Bergsma.
- In the 1000m B Division, **Jonathon Garcia** finished third skating a season-best 1:08.61...**Kimini Griffin** went a personal-best 1:08.98, good for sixth.

Quotes from Heather Bergsma

- "I was hoping [to get that second world record] but I tried not to focus on it too much, especially after the 500-meter earlier. My speed wasn't quite there but I just tried to relax in between races and hoped for the best."
- "I think we (Brittany Bowe) feed off each other. I know last weekend I fueled her fire after taking the record in the 1000-meter, then she went and did the 1500-meter, so I'm sure tomorrow she's going to bring her A game."

All results can be viewed [here](#).

The World Cup Salt Lake City is streamed live through [icenetwork](#) and will air on NBCSN on Nov. 27 as part of an hour-long special beginning at 8:30 p.m. MST.

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