



QUICK QUOTES

Pairs, Free Skating (warm up group 4)

Ksenia Stolbova/Fedor Klimov (RUS) 2014 Olympic & World silver medalists

Klimov: Apart from the fall, it all went ok. But we can't forget the mistake.

Stolbova: I was almost in tears at the end. It was emotional. The Salchow was my mistake. Fedor had his mistake too. But it was ok.

Valentina Marchei/Ondrej Hotarek (ITA) 2018 National silver medalists

Marchei: It was ok but I could do my part better. I did a double toe loop instead of a triple toe loop. It was just a little hesitation that compromised the jump. It's very warm out there which makes it hard to control the breathing. (on the choice of program) We always like to portray stories and we wanted to go Italian for the Olympic season.

Hotarek: It was a bit tough but it was great with the response of the crowd. It's incredible that we nearly sold out this venue. So the performance was good but we still have to work. We need more speed, more character. We want to do it really over the top.

Natalia Zabiako/Alexander Enbert (RUS) 2018 National bronze medalists

Zabiako: We didn't think about how we did in the short program, we just did almost everything we prepared and aside from the mistakes we are pleased. The last two jumps in the combination didn't work, but we don't see a problem with this jump. We just need to concentrate on it and next time will be better. We want to thank the audience for their support. It felt like a celebration.

Enbert: Overall, we are happy. There were some little mistakes, but we will correct them and work on them. Mostly, we're happy. Even since Russian Nationals we are progressing. There was the mistake on the combination but we enjoyed the performance and we hope the audience did too. It is our home stage, so we were more nervous, but it is great to compete here.

Vanessa James/Morgan Cipres (FRA) 2017 European bronze medalists

James: Of course we're very disappointed. But there were just too many mistakes. I don't know if it was the pressure of being first or skating last. I just don't know. I had a lack of concentration on the first jump but also the lifts were off. I just don't know what happened. It just sucks but it happens to the best. Now it's back to work.