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ISSF WC Munich: Olympic Champion Jin Jongoh sets a new 50m Pistol record

With 230.5 points, he set a new world record, winning the men's 50m Pistol final in Munich. Later in the day, Zhang claimed gold at the women's 25m Pistol final, while Greece's Anna Korakaki and Italy's Niccolo Campriani were awarded the 2016 ISSF Shooter of the Year award.

Munich (GER), 20 May 2017 – Republic of Korea's four-time Olympic champion Jin Jongoh, 37, came back atop of the ISSF World Cup podium, winning today's 50m Pistol Men final in Munich with a new world record of 230.5 points, shattering the 230.1 p.ts record set by India's Jitu Rai on the 1st of March at the ISSF World Cup in New Delhi.

The event's rules changed at the beginning of 2017, so all the records were set back to zero, including the final world record scored by Jin back in 2013. Therefore, the winner of the first world cup stage of the season Jitu Rai set the new record. But it didn't take long for world's #1 and reigning Olympic champ Jin to regain his leadership, here at the second rifle and pistol world cup stage of the season.

Jin started-off the final with a 48.0-point series placing him in third place, and then climbed up the scoreboard to the lead half-way through the match, keeping the head of the pack until his last two shots, a 10.2 and a 10.4.

Portugal's 53-year old Joao Costa, a 2015 European Champion, challenged him right to the end of the match, finishing in second place with 228.3 points, after closing his final with an 8.9 and a 9.6-point shots. Following them, Serbia's Dimitrije Grgic, 32, took Bronze with 209.0 points.

"I won the match and I set a new world record, but I am bit sad. Because maybe the 50m Pistol event won't be part of the Olympic program anymore," said gold medalist Jin, referring to the proposed changes for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic program.

Jin is the most successful 50m Pistol shooter of all times, with three Olympic gold and one Olympic silver medals to his name in this event, along with an impressive number of 13 world cup medals, two world cup titles and one world championship title.

“I believe that the audience enjoyed today’s final, people were cheering and having fun. I hope that whoever is in charge to decide will change their minds, and reconsider the situation.”

A final decision on the Tokyo 2020 Olympic program is due to be taken by the International Olympic Committee later this year.

In the following 25m Pistol Women final, reigning world champion Zhang Jingjing of the People’s Republic of China nailed her fifth ISSF World Cup gold medal in career. The 28-year old shooter moved into the lead after the second series, to finish atop of the podium with a total 36 hits after the ninth and last series. She beat the winner of last year’s world cup in Baku, Bulgaria’s Antoaneta Boneva, 31, who closed the match in second place with 34 hits.

Olympic Champion Anna Korakaki of Greece, took today’s Bronze medal with 26 hits. After the final, she was also awarded the 2016 ISSF Shooter of the Year title, along with Italy’s three-time Olympic Champion Niccolo Campriani.

The trophy is recognized every year to the two athletes who best represented the values of the Shooting Sport in the past season, through unique performances, behavior and character. The winners were selected by a panel including members of the ISSF Athletes’ Committee, of the ISSF Coaches Advisory Board and by delegates of the international press ([read more about the award ceremony here](#)).

The world cup stage will continue tomorrow, May 21, with two medal events: the men’s 50m Rifle Prone final at 10.30 (GMT+2), and the men’s 25m Rapid Fire Pistol final at 16.00. All final matches will be streamed live on the [ISSF website](#), on the Federation’s [Livestream channel](#) and on its official [Facebook page](#). Live results of the competition, news and updates will be available on www.issf-sports.org and on all ISSF social media platforms: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), [Weibo](#) and [Youku](#).

Notes for the editors:

The International Shooting Sport Federation is the governing body of the Olympic Shooting events, and it has over 160 affiliated National Federations worldwide. Shooting is an Olympic sport since the very first edition of the modern Olympic Games, Athens 1896. Find out more about the International Shooting Sport Federation at www.issf-sports.org.

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