

Silver for Cuban canoeist Serguei Torres in World Championship



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According to the International Canoe Federation website www.canoeicf.com, the Tokyo 2020 Olympic titleholder in the two-seater (C-2) at one thousand meters, covered the distance of the direct A final in 23:37.94 minutes, beaten by Moldova's Serghei Tarnovschi (23:37.85 minutes).

Tarnovschi also climbed the podium in Tokyo, but in the C-1 1000 meters, while the bronze medal in the long course went to Germany's Sebastian Brendel (23:55.18 minutes), bronze medalist in the C-2 1000 meters in the Japanese capital.

In the same distance -5000 meters-, Yarisleidis Cirilo was off the podium, with a fourth place and a time of 29:09.94 minutes, ahead of Canada's Katie Vicente (27:50.88 minutes), current Olympic bronze medalist in the C-2 500 meters.

Vicente was now escorted by Germany's Annika Loske (27:55.52 minutes) and Spain's Maria Corbera (28:02.52 minutes).

In the C-1 200m A final, things did not go well for Cirilo either on Sunday, finishing in sixth place, with a time of 50.92 seconds, behind American Nevin Harrison (49.87 seconds), Spaniard Corbera (50.54 seconds) and China's Wenjun Lin (50.55 seconds).

The same happened to José Remón Pelier (4:21.64 minutes), who finished ninth and last in the final A of the 1,000-meter C-1, in an event won by the Romanian Catalin Chirila (4:14.28 minutes), Olympic champion in Tokyo 2020.

The silver and bronze medals went to Brazil's Isquias Queiroz Dos Santos (4:15.80 minutes), winner in the Japanese capital, and Czech Martin Fuksa (4:16.21 minutes), in that order.

Cuba won a historic gold medal in the women's 200m C-2 A final in Halifax on Saturday, with Cirilo and Katherin Nuevo, who stopped the clocks in 45.09 seconds.

The five Cubans (1-1-0), who won six A finals, shared 10th place in the medal standings with Brazil (1-1-0), ahead of Spain (4-2-2), Hungary (4-1-6), Poland (3-3-1), Canada (3-1-2), Germany (2-7-5), Australia (2-2-1), Ukraine (2-1-2), New Zealand (2-0-0) and China (1-2-2).

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