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STORY HEADLINE: SWIMMING SENSATIONS KLIMENT KOLESNIKOV AND ANASTASIA MAKAROVA STAR ON ANOTHER NIGHT OF DOMINANCE FOR RUSSIA IN THE POOL IN THE YOUTH OLYMPIC GAMES BUENOS AIRES 2018

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STORY SCRIPT:

Russian swimming sensation Kliment Kolesnikov won his fourth and fifth gold medals of Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018, and he’ll go for his sixth on Friday in the 200m backstroke.

Kolesnikov broke the World Record of the 50m Backstroke at the European Championships in Glasgow in August and so it was no surprise that he added the Youth Olympic Games title to his resume in the Argentine capital. Kolesnikov, who won the men’s 100m backstroke title earlier in the week, then added another relay gold to his collection. After wins in the Mixed 4x100m Medley Relay and the 4x100m Freestyle Relay, Kolesnikov was part of the team that stormed to victory in the 4x100m Medley Relay final. Russia came home 3.48 seconds clear of their nearest rivals in a World Junior Record time of 3 minutes 55.17 seconds.

Anastasia Makarova, who was part of the mixed relay team with Kolesnikov earlier in the week, picked up her third gold medal of the Games, winning the 100m Breaststroke final. She was too powerful for her opponents, Niamh Coyne of Ireland in silver and Lithuania’s Kotryna Teterevkova.

Buenos Aires 2018 is the third edition of the Summer Youth Olympic Games (YOG) to be held, bringing together the world’s best young athletes between the ages of 15 and 18. For the first time in Olympic history the Games will have gender equality, with equal numbers of males and females competing in the 32-sport programme.

Almost 4,000 athletes from 206 National Olympic Committees will be competing for 1,250 medals. The Youth Olympic Games Buenos Aires 2018 feature new sports and many new disciplines and events, reflecting the passions of the ‘Game Changers’, a new generation of athletes and fans.
The event offers a glimpse into the future of the Games as the new programme will introduce several innovations that will be replicated at the Olympic Games Tokyo 2020.

The first Summer Youth Olympic Games took place in Singapore in 2010. The second edition was held in the Chinese city of Nanjing in 2014.

SHOTLIST:

00:01 Wide shot of the start of the race.
00:06 Action of the race.
00:11 End of the race.
00:16 Close view of Russian swimmer Kliment Kolesnikov.
00:19 Kliment Kolesnikov receiving gold medal.
00:26 Close view of Kolesnikov listening to Russian anthem.
00:30 Russian, Italian and Norwegian flags raising.
00:35 The three medal winners showing their medals.
00:40 Action of the 4x100m medley relay race.
00:55 End of the 4x100m medley relay race.
01:13 Russian team get on the podium after winning the 4x100m medley relay race.
01:18 Russian team receiving their gold medal.

01:47 SOUNDBITE Kliment Kolesnikov, Men’s 50m Backstroke & Men’s 4x100m Medley Relay Race Youth Olympic Champion (Russian Language).
“И могу сказать, что была проложена очень большая работа для этого и все ребята были готовы, мы все готовились к этому. Сложили наши результаты перед дистанцией, поняли, что можем установить новый юношеский рекорд мира. Все получилось.”
Well, we have put a lot of effort into this and we were all ready and prepared for the race. Our result proved this. Before the competition we realised we could break a new world record and become Youth Olympic Champions. We got there

02:06 Close view of the gold medals.

02:10 SOUNDBITE Kliment Kolesnikov, Men’s 50m Backstroke & Men’s 4x100m Medley Relay Race Youth Olympic Champion (Russian Language)
“Все были рады, все довольны, немного не отошли даже от того, что сделали. До сих пор в таком маленьком непонимании от происходящего.”
Everyone was happy, we haven’t come to ourselves after what we had done. Even now we still don’t understand what is happening.

02:23 Team Russia with Youth Olympic Gold in the 4x200m Freestyle Final singing their anthem
02:39 Team Russia wave to the crowd on the podium
02:41 Action from the start of the Women’s 100m Breaststroke Final
02:51 Various shots from the Women’s 100m Breaststroke Final
02:56 Russia’s Anastasia Makarova takes the gold in the Women’s 100m Breaststroke Final
03:01 Close up of Makarova in the water
03:05 Makarova steps onto the podium to receive her Gold medal.
03:09 Makarova receives her Gold

**03:16 SOUNDBITE: Anastasia Makarova, Women’s 100m Breaststroke Youth Olympic Champion (Russian Language)** (About how she felt receiving her medal)
“Не знаю, эмоции просто зашкаливают, я не знаю, как объяснить. Просто очень счастлива”
I don't know how to explain what I am feeling but I'm happy, very happy.

03:24 Makarova has her picture taken with her Gold medal
03:32 Makarova sings her national anthem as the Russian flag rises

**03:43 SOUNDBITE: Anastasia Makarova, Women’s 100m Breaststroke Youth Olympic Champion (Russian Language)**
“Но я во время своей дистанции никогда не думаю о победе, я думаю лишь о результате. То есть, если будет хороший результат, то по-любому, будет медаль.”
During a competition I never think about winning, only about a result. I had a feeling that I could get a nice result and it was the gold medal

03:51 Makarova has her picture taken with her Gold medal on the podium

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