

Re: Pairs short

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Hey, Thomas! Welcome to the group.

I didn't get a chance to get on the computer until today, but I watched the pairs short here in the US.

Unfortunately, they did not show us any Canadians. Too bad, as I enjoy Marcoux and Buntin.

I thought I&B's throw triple axel was better here than it was at US Nats.

I've always liked T&M. In fact, I'm a little biased as I've been coached by both of them as well as Oleg Vassiliev. They are nice people and I hope for them to win! I have such an appreciation for what they do, and I've never thought that they were boring. I liked their costumes. The color looked especially good on Tatiana. I thought she kind of looked like a mermaid! :-)

That being said, I'm also a huge Shen & Zhao fan. I'm sorry that it won't be more of a contest between the two pairs. However, I thought S&Z's short program was very nice if you could over-look the mistakes. Their presentation has come so far since they first came on the scene. It's better than the other Chinese pairs, that's for certain.

P&T had a good program. I would love to see them medal here. Sandra Bezic said that P&T have arguably the best lifts in the competition. I have to argue. I think that award goes to Zagorska and Siudek. Their lifts are effortless and always impressive. I'm sorry that they aren't higher in the placements. I hope that NBC doesn't chack them in the long, as this may be one of our last chances to see them skate.

I was shocked that the Germans didn't do better. They've had such a great season. They must be disappointed to be in 7th after the short program.

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