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Dutch skaters Chris Huizinga and Jutta Leerdam grabbed the Men's and Ladies' Allround gold at the ISU World Junior Speed Skating Championships on February 17-19, 2017. Norway's Allan Dahl Johansson and Russia's Daria Kachanova both grabbed two single distance titles at the artificial outdoor rink of Oulunkylä Sport Park in Helsinki.

Three titles for Huizinga

Huizinga skated a superb 5000m to secure the Allround title on Saturday. With 6:46.40 he left compatriot Marwin Talsma ten seconds behind. Allan Dahl Johansson had been in the lead after three of the four distances of the Allround tournament, but he finished 23.47 seconds adrift, and had to settle for Allround silver. The Norwegian had won the 1500m title on Friday and the 1000m title on Saturday. Tyson Langelaar came third in both the 1500m and the 1000m. Despite a 17the place in the 500m and a 15th place in the 5000m, the Canadian went home with a bronze Allround medal.

On Sunday Huizinga added the Mass Start gold to his 5000m and Allround titles. He beat Korea's Hyun Min Oh and Canada's Graeme Fish for silver and bronze.

Japan's Koki Kubo was the fastest Junior in Helsinki. The Japanese sprinter won the 500m in 36.86, with China's Xuefeng Sun taking silver in 36.90 and Russia's Ruslan Zakharov grabbing bronze in 37.31. Kubo also took silver in the 1000m.

The Netherlands won the Men's Team Sprint ahead of Canada and Germany, but in the Team Pursuit the Dutch men, with Allround Champion Huizinga as their anchor, had to bow their heads for Japan. Norway took the Team Pursuit bronze.

Dutch ladies sweep Allround podium

The Dutch ladies' were immaculate in the Allround classification, with Jutta Leerdam, Joy Beune and Sanne In 't Hof taking gold, silver and bronze respectively. Beune won the 3000m title on Saturday and Beune grabbed the 1500m title on Friday. In 't Hof came second in the 1500m, the 3000m, and the Mass Start. Her compatriot Elisa Dul won the Mass Start with Canada's Béatrice Lamarche taking silver.

Daria Kachanova won both the 500m and the 1000m in Helsinki. The Russian also took bronze in the 1500m and she was leader in the Allround classification after three distances. Kachanova decided not to skate the 3000m however, thus giving up the chance to add Allround silverware to her collection.

China won the Ladies' Team Sprint, with Italy and Korea coming second and third. In the Team Pursuit the Dutch Ladies' prevailed again. Japan and Italy took silver and bronze.

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Allround Men

1	Chris Huizinga	NED	155.443
2	Allan Dahl Johansson	NOR	156.518
3	Tyson Langelaar	CAN	158.064

Allround Ladies

1	Jutta Leerdam	NED	171.973
2	Joy Beune	NED	172.443
3	Sanne In 't Hof	NED	173.376

500m Men

1	Koki Kubo	JPN	36.86
2	Xuefeng Sun	CHN	36.90
3	Ruslan Zakharov	RUS	37.31

500m Ladies

1	Daria Kachanova	RUS	39.90
2	Nan Sun	CHN	40.95
3	Jutta Leerdam	NED	41.10

1500m Men

1	Allan Dahl Johansson	NOR	1:54.05
2	Chris Huizinga	NED	1:55.12
3	Tyson Langelaar	CAN	1:55.66

1500m Ladies

1	Jutta Leerdam	NED	2:07.29
2	Sanne In 't Hof	NED	2:08.09
3	Daria Kachanova	RUS	2:08.33

1000m Men

1	Allan Dahl Johansson	NOR	1:14.25
2	Koki Kubo	JPN	1:14.29
3	Tyson Langelaar	CAN	1:14.91

1000m Ladies

1	Daria Kachanova	RUS	1:21.87
2	Joy Beune	NED	1:23.06
3	Béatrice Lamarche	CAN	1:23.52

5000m Men

1	Chris Huizinga	NED	6:46.40
2	Marwin Talsma	NED	6:56.45
3	Graeme Fish	CAN	6:58.48

3000m Ladies

1	Joy Beune	NED	4:35.90
2	Sanne In 't Hof	NED	4:37.14
3	Jutta Leerdam	NED	4:38.27

Mass Start Men

1	Chris Huizinga	NED	6:13.44
2	Hyun Min Oh	KOR	6:14.13
3	Graeme Fish	CAN	6:14.42

Mass Start Ladies

1	Elisa Dul	NED	6:54.80
2	Sanne In 't Hof	NED	6:55.20
3	Béatrice Lamarche	CAN	6:56.69

Team Sprint Men

1	Netherlands	NED	1:25.65
2	Canada	CAN	1:25.94
3	Germany	GER	1:26.10

Team Sprint Ladies

1	China	CHN	1:34.86
2	Italy	ITA	1:35.18
3	Korea	KOR	1:35.54

Team Pursuit Men

1	Japan	JPN	4:09.65
2	Netherlands	NED	4:11.08
3	Norway	NOR	4:14.09

Team Pursuit Ladies

1	Netherlands	CHN	3:23.43
2	Japan	ITA	3:26.04
3	Italy	KOR	3:27.08