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Championship Rhythm Dance

Madison Chock and Evan Bates (87.63, first)

On their performance tonight...

Bates: "Very proud of today's skate. Free and spontaneous as we've been in this program all season. It's really been a goal for us just to improve our skating in general, performance, quality overall."

On training with their rival teams...

Chock: "It's so great to be able to train with Madison and Zach, Kaitlin and Jean-Luc. I think it all brought us to the next level of our skating and it will continue to progress. Just because we respect each other so much and we look at each other for motivation and inspiration."

Madison Hubbell and Zachary Donohue (86.31, second)

On their performance tonight...

Hubbell: "Zach and I have been attacking this program. It's been a lot; speed, just dynamic quality of our skating. There were some technical mistakes today, unfortunately, but sometimes it's good to get a little bit of a wake-up call before the end of the year."

Kaitlin Hawayek and Jean-Luc Baker (82.59, third)

On their performance tonight...

Hawayek: "It felt great. We were thrilled with the performance and definitely will go down in the books for a memorable performance in our careers with the reaction we got. It was so welcoming."

Baker: "We wanted the audience to have as much fun with us. To have a 3-minute break from the lives and enjoy just pure memories that they may have had with those songs and an opportunity to step away from their life for a minute and just be there with us, so it was a lot of fun to have the reaction that we got."

Christina Carreira and Anthony Ponomarenko (78.02, fourth)

On their performance tonight...

Carreira: "It felt pretty good. We had a few stumbles in the Finnstep, but overall, it felt like one of our better performances of the season."

On their goals...

Ponomarenko: "Just skating a strong performance and having lots of energy to show that we can be a part of the competition."

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