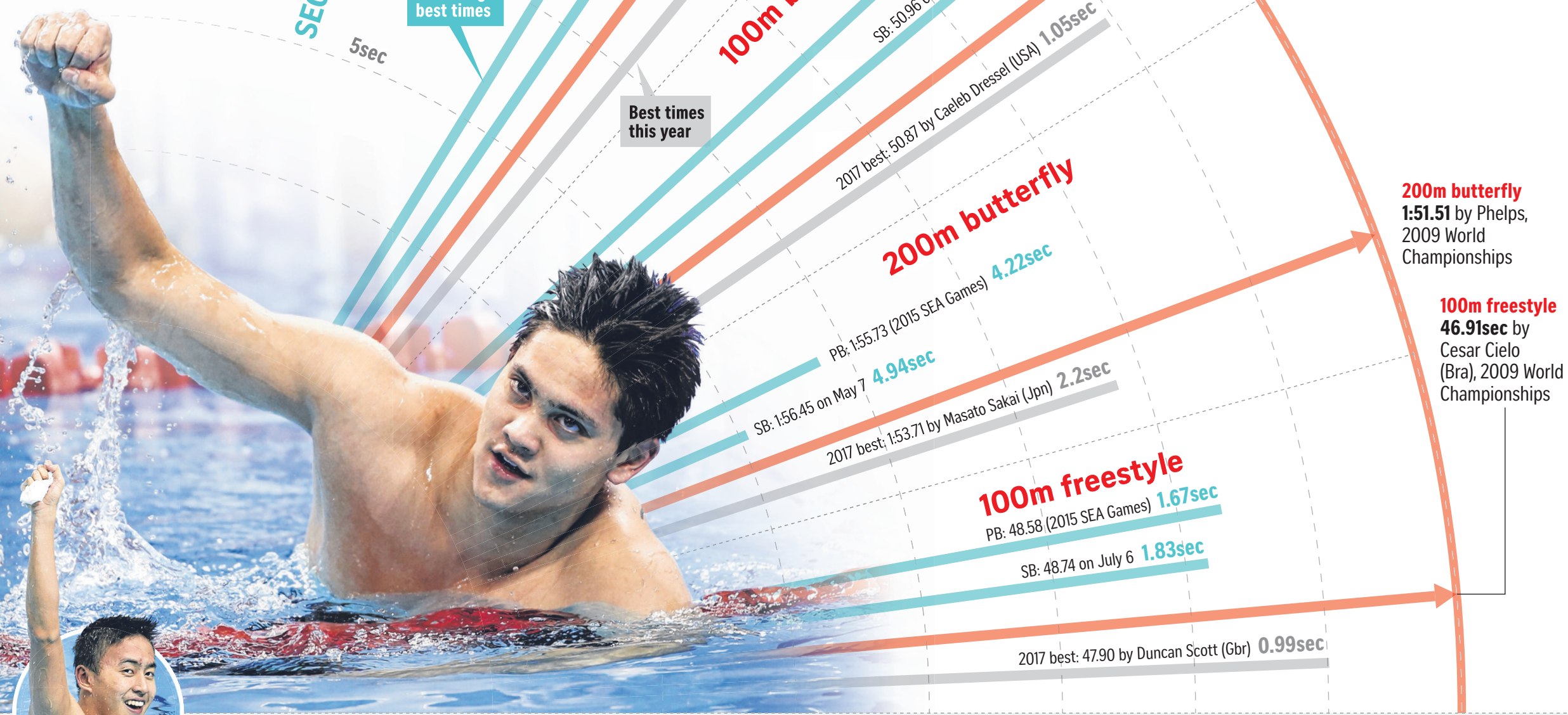


Racing against the clock

Singapore has sent Joseph Schooling and Quah Zheng Wen to the World Championships in Budapest. Schooling's bronze in the 100m butterfly at the 2015 edition remains the Republic's only medal at the world meet. ST looks at how our national swimmers stack up against the elite field in Hungary.



QUAH ZHENG WEN'S BEST TIMES

100m butterfly
WR: 49.82 by Phelps, 2009 World Championships
• PB: 52.08 (2016 Olympics)
• SB: None in top 500
2017 best: 50.87 by Caeleb Dressel (USA)

200m butterfly
WR: 1:51.51 by Phelps, 2009 World Championships
• PB: 1:56.01 (2016 Olympics)
• SB: 1:57.91 on June 18
2017 best: 1:53.71 by Masato Sakai (Jpn)

50m backstroke
WR: 24.04 by Liam Tancock (Gbr), 2009 World Championships
• PB: 25.13sec (2015 World Cup, Moscow)
• SB: 25.38 on June 16
2017 best: 24.41 by Justin Riss (USA)

100m backstroke
WR: 51.85sec by Ryan Murphy (USA), 2016 Olympics
• PB: 54.03 (2015 World Cup, Moscow)
• SB: None in top 500
2017 best: 51.86 by Xu Jiayu (Chn)

200m backstroke
WR: 1:51.92 by Aaron Peirsol (USA), 2009 World Championships
• PB: 2:00.45 (2017 Singapore National Championships)
• SB: 2:00.45 on June 17
2017 best: 1:53.81 by Evgeny Rylov (Rus)