

Johnathan Wong in action in the men's 10m air pistol qualifying round at the Olympic Shooting Centre on Saturday.

Johnathan wastes his chance

IOHNATHAN Wong made no excuses at the Olympics Shooting Centre on Saturday.

Nerves got to him in the men's 10m air pistol as the shooter settled for 28th out of 46 in the qualifying round.

Johnathan, 24, scored 574 points — four less than his season's best and 11 off

his national record.

"I admit that I was nervous and it got

worse when the instruction was given for us to start shooting.

"My hand was shaking and when I saw the shooter next to me also nervous, it became very hard to focus," said Johnathan.

What Johnathan, who has the 50m pistol on Wednesday, can learn from the episode is that anything is possible if he can learn to control his nerves.

Vietnam's Hoang Xuan Vinh did that, and his reward was the 10m air pistol gold with Felipe Almeida Wu of Brazil second and China's Pang Wei third.

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