

# THE BASELINE

DAILY NEWSLETTER



## THE FINAL *SHOWDOWN*

It's finals day at the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships. Bublik against Humbert, for all the marbles. Game on.

Day 6 | 02 March 2024





Salah Tahlak (2nd left), Joint COO of Dubai Duty Free and Tournament Director, Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships, took time out from his busy schedule to watch the Aces alongside (from left to right) Lieutenant Colonel Essa Ahli Chief of Dubai Police; His Excellency Lieutenant General Abdullah Khalifa Al Marri, Commander-in-Chief of Dubai Police; and Ramesh Cidambi, COO of Dubai Duty Free & Chairman of the Tournament Organising Committee

# WHO TAKES IT HOME?



French No1 Ugo Humbert has his eye on a maiden title at the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships after emerging victorious against reigning champion Daniil Medvedev in straight sets 7-5, 6-3 on Friday evening.

Dubai debutant Humbert, who hasn't lost in five finals on the ATP Tour to date, will face No7

seed Alexander Bublik on Saturday night in front of a packed house.

The men's doubles final also takes place on Saturday, with Jan-Lennard Struff and Tallon Griekspoor taking on Austin Krajicek and Ivan Dodig for the title.



# WHAT'S ON TODAY?

Be in your seat from 4:30pm to watch all the finals action unfold. If you're looking for fun family activities, check out the Tennis Village, and don't forget to be on Centre Court at 6:45pm for the pre-match ceremony.

## DDFTC TRIVIA

- 1. How many different nationalities have been represented in the history of the Dubai men's singles finals (including this year's) - 13, 15 or 17?
- 2. Who was the last non-European to win the Dubai men's singles title?
- 3. What was the capacity of the venue at the inaugural Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships - 1000, 2000 or 3000?
- 4. What is the title of the new autobiography by Colm McLoughlin (CEO and Executive Vice Chairman of Dubai Duty Free)



# DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dubai, UAE | 26 February - 2 March 2024



## MAIN DRAW SINGLES

## MAIN DRAW DOUBLES

D. MEDVEDEV [1]

62 63

U. HUMBERT [5]

75 63

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36 76(8) 63

A. BUBLIK [7]

64 41 Ret'd

A. BUBLIK [7]

67(4) 76(5) 65 Def.

A. RUBLEV [2]

64 43 Ret'd

A. BEHAR

A. PAVLASEK

36 63 10-8

T. GRIEKSPoor

J. STRUFF

76(1) 75

T. GRIEKSPoor

J. STRUFF

64 64

Y. BHAMBRI

R. HAASE

64 76(1)

I. DODIG

A. KRAJICEK [2]

63 76(2)

I. DODIG

A. KRAJICEK [2]

67(5) 63 10-5



# ORDER OF PLAY

	<b>CENTRE COURT</b>
	<b>Matches Start At: 4:30 pm</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>DOUBLES FINAL</b> Tallon GRIEKSPoor (NED) Jan-Lennard STRUFF (GER) vs Ivan DODIG (CRO) Austin KRAJICEK (USA) [2]
	<b>Not Before 7:00 pm</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>SINGLES FINAL</b> Ugo HUMBERT (FRA) [5] vs Alexander BUBLIK (KAZ) [7]

## THE WEEK IN PICTURES



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