

THE

DAILY NEWSLETTER

# BASELINE



# ELITE EIGHT

Świątek meets Andreeva in the first of today's quarterfinals, with Rybakina and Muchová also in action on Centre Court

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## FORMER UAE NO1 PARTAKES IN CHILDREN OF DETERMINATION CLINIC



The Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships welcomed more than 30 children of determination on Wednesday for a morning dedicated to celebrating the joy of sports and creating a supportive sports community that is both diverse and inclusive.

Led by the former UAE No1 Omar Behrouzian, the dedicated clinic was supported by coaches from the Clark Francis Tennis Academy and focused on helping youngsters from local schools and non-profit organisations to better understand the importance of focus and commitment through a series of fun and friendly drills.

The children showed great enthusiasm as Behrouzian engaged with them for more than an hour. The first Emirati to enter the ATP rankings, he said he always feels honoured to be involved in the annual activation.

## WTA'S 25-YEAR MILESTONE MARKED WITH SPECIAL CEREMONY

A special ceremony was held on Centre Court this week highlighting the WTA's 25-year anniversary in Dubai. Portia Archer, CEO of the Women's Tennis Association, presented Ramesh Cidambi, Managing Director of Dubai Duty Free and Chairman of the Tournament Organising Committee, with a special commemorative collage of the 17 previous winners at the Championships – including Jasmine Paolini, maiden winner Martina Hingis, and seven-time Grand Slam winner Justine Henin.

Meanwhile Breeda McLoughlin, wife of the late Colm McLoughlin, the former Executive Vice Chairman and CEO of Dubai Duty Free, presented Archer with a commemorative trophy to mark the milestone anniversary.



## WHAT'S ON TODAY

- Catch top-ranked players as quarterfinal action gets under way.
- Check out the Tennis Village for fun activities for the whole family.
- Claim some great prizes at today's Catch & Win on Centre Court at 6:15 PM.



### DDFTC TRIVIA

1. Who is the reigning ATP champion at Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships? Novak Djokovic, Andrey Rublev or Ugo Humbert
2. In which month is the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships traditionally held? January, February, or April
3. Which of the following tennis tournaments is considered the oldest of the four Grand Slam events? Australian Open, French Open, Wimbledon or US Open
4. Which of the following tennis players holds the record for the most Grand Slam titles won in the Open Era? Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal, Novak Djokovic or Serena Williams





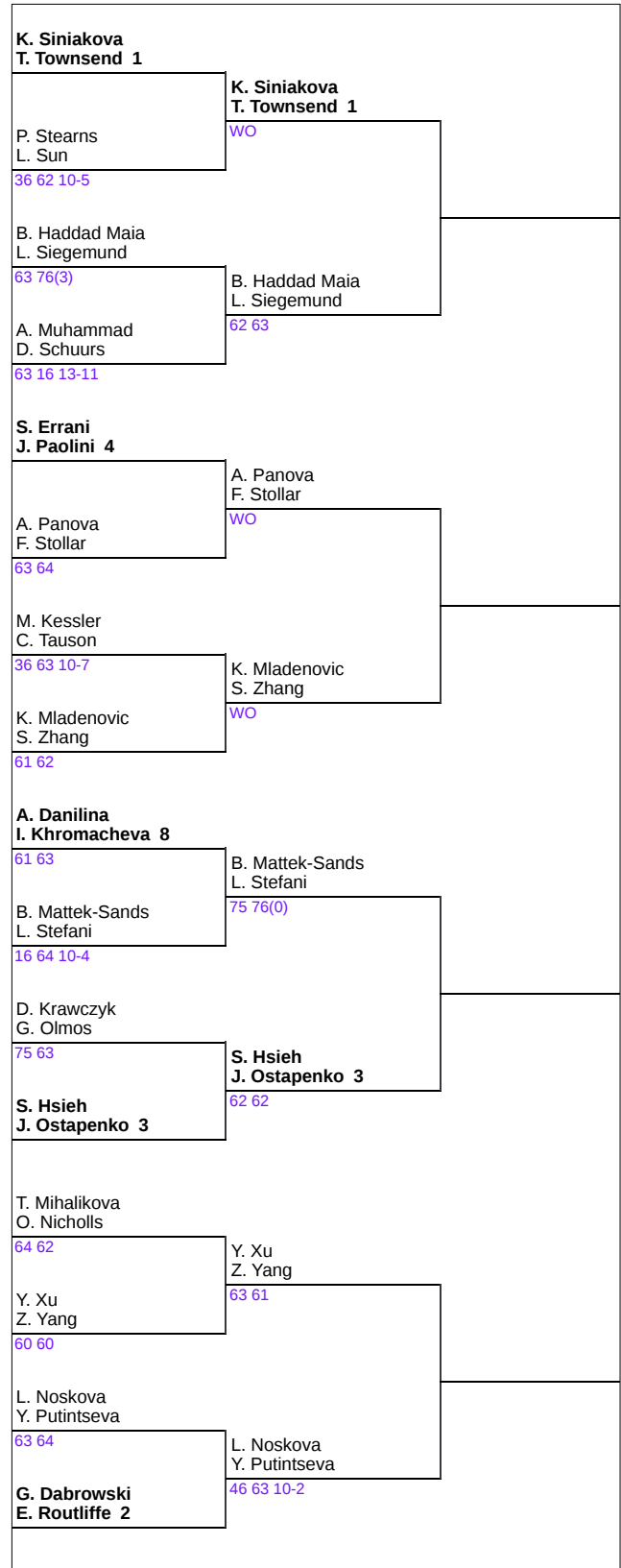
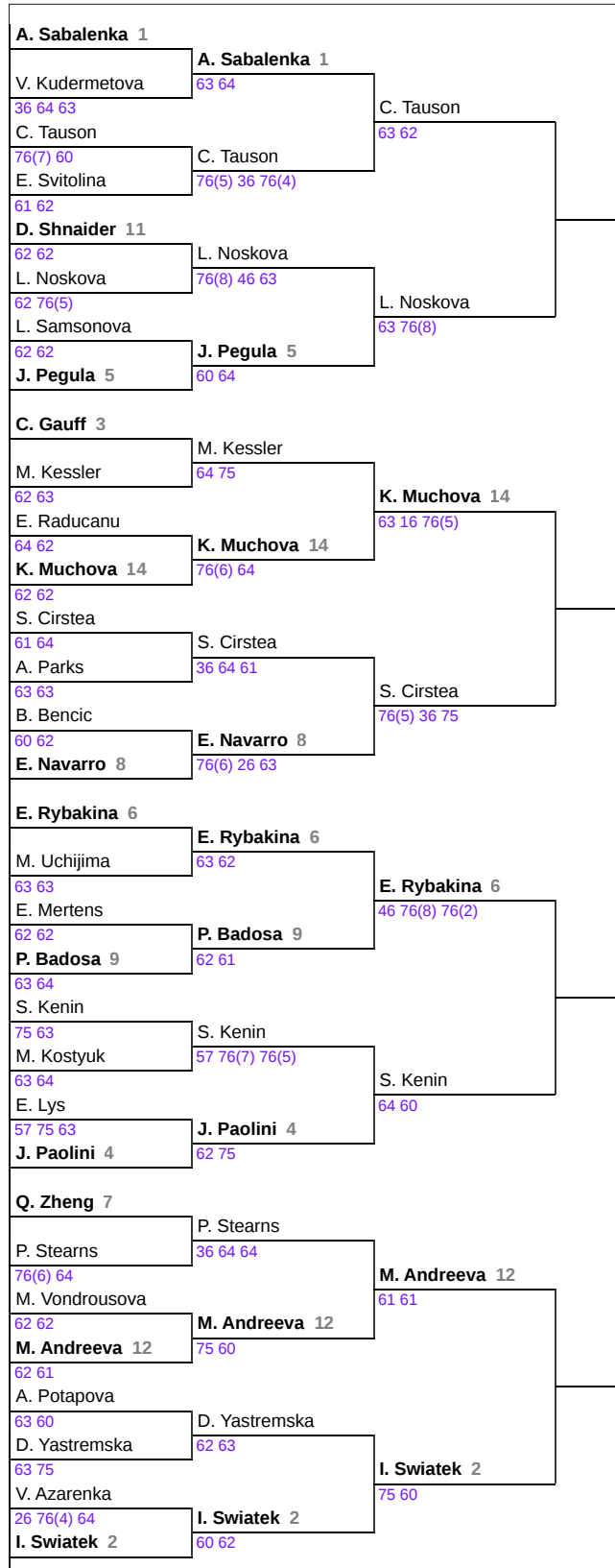
# DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Dubai, UAE | February 16 – March 1, 2025



## SINGLES MAIN DRAW

## DOUBLES MAIN DRAW



# ORDER OF PLAY

	CENTRE COURT	COURT 1
<b>1</b>	STARTING AT 2:00 PM	STARTING AT 2:00 PM
	[12] Mirra Andreeva VS [2] Iga Swiatek POL QF	Alexandra Panova Fanny Stollar HUN VS Kristina Mladenovic FRA Shuai Zhang CHN QF
<b>2</b>	NOT BEFORE 4:00 PM	FOLLOWED BY
	Clara Tauson DEN VS Linda Noskova CZE QF	[1] Katerina Siniakova CZE Taylor Townsend USA VS Beatriz Haddad Maia BRA Laura Siegemund GER QF
<b>3</b>		FOLLOWED BY
		Bethanie Mattek-Sands USA Luisa Stefani BRA VS [3] Su-Wei Hsieh TPE Jelena Ostapenko LAT QF
<b>4</b>	NOT BEFORE 6:30 PM	AFTER SUITABLE REST
	[6] Elena Rybakina KAZ VS [WC] Sofia Kenin USA QF	Yifan Xu CHN Zhaoxuan Yang CHN VS Linda Noskova CZE Yulia Putintseva KAZ QF
<b>5</b>	FOLLOWED BY	
	[14] Karolina Muchova CZE VS [WC] Sorana Cirstea ROU QF	QF

## TRIVIA ANSWERS

1. Ugo Humbert
2. February
3. Wimbledon
4. Novak Djokovic

