



JUNIOR DAVIS CUP AND JUNIOR FED CUP BY BNP PARIBAS FINALS
ITF Team Championships for Boys and Girls of 16 & Under

TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER TO SUNDAY 1 OCTOBER 2006
(ARRIVAL SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER AND DEPARTURE MONDAY 2 OCTOBER)

REAL CLUB DE POLO, BARCELONA, SPAIN

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6. **FORMAT OF PLAY**

- Round-robin followed by knock-out to place teams from 1st to 16th place.
- Each tie - two singles and one doubles rubber.
- The doubles rubber must be completed even if the score is 2-0.
- Each nation will play 5 ties.

7. **WITHDRAWALS**

- Any team which does not play all its matches or which withdraws from the Finals after having qualified will be refused entry for the following year and will be fined.

9. **HOSPITALITY**

- From ***Sunday 24 September*** teams will be accommodated in the Hotel Hesperia and hospitality will consist of:
 - Triple rooms for players and single rooms for captains.
 - Meals beginning with dinner on ***Sunday 24 September*** and ending with breakfast on ***Monday 2 October***.
- Dinner on Sunday 24 September (Arrival Day) will be at the Polo Club. Transport will be provided from the hotel to the Polo Club.
- Buffet breakfast will be served at the Hotel Hesperia from 06.45 until 09.00 (from Monday to Thursday and Sunday 1st) and from 07.00 until 10.00 (Friday and Saturday). Lunch and dinner will be taken at the Real Club de Polo. Lunch each day from 11.00 until 15.00 (except Friday 12.00 – 16.00) and dinner 18.00 until 21.00.
- Meals will be provided to holders of the appropriate meal ticket. Meal tickets will be given to the Captains at the start of the tournament. Additional people may purchase

meal tickets from the ITF Tournament Office.

10. **DAILY TRANSPORTATION FOR TEAMS**

- The hotel is a 20 minutes bus ride from the Polo Club. Three buses will leave the hotel first thing in the morning, and will depart from the club back to the hotel after dinner.

11. **AIRPORT TRANSFERS**

- Teams will be met on arrival at Barcelona airport by local tournament staff and driven to the Hotel Hesperia. Teams arriving before Sunday 24 September (Official Arrival Day) will not be met at the airport; a taxi from the airport to the hotel costs approximately 10-15 euros.

12. **PASSPORTS**

- All captains must submit team passports, including that of the captain, to the ITF Staff in the *ITF Office at the Real Club de Polo on Monday 25 September* no later than the Captains' Meeting.

13. **CREDENTIALS**

- All players and captains will be issued with a personal identification badge. These badges must be worn at all times.

14. **WEEKLY PROGRAMME**

- The weekly schedule of events is attached.

15. **SEEDING MEETINGS**

- Seeding meetings will take place on Monday 25 September in the Referee's Office. Boys – 08.30, Girls – 09.00 Captains are encouraged to attend.

16. **CAPTAINS' MEETING**

- All captains must attend the Captains' Meeting on *Monday 25 September – time and place to be confirmed.*
- Further captains' meetings might be arranged as necessary on-site following completion of each day's schedule. Notification of any meetings will be posted on-site and/or in the Reception area of the tournament hotel.

17. **THE DRAW**

- The Draw will be held on *Monday 25 September – time and venue to be confirmed.*
- All players and captains **must** attend the Draw and wear National Team Tracksuits, practice schedules will be arranged accordingly. Transportation will be arranged from the Polo Club to the Draw.

18. **WELCOME PARTY**

- A Welcome Barbeque hosted by the Real Club de Polo will be held on *Monday 25 September at the Real Club de Polo at 18.00.* Dress: Casual.

19. **OPENING CEREMONY**

- The Opening Ceremony will take place on Centre Court on *Tuesday 26 September* following completion of all matches (17:00 approx.).
 - All teams, including captains, must present at Centre Court, wearing national team tracksuits. A photo session will also be held on Tuesday 26. Details of the Ceremony and Photo Session will be distributed at the Captains Meeting on Monday 25 September.
20. **MIDWEEK PLAYERS PARTY**
- A mid week party hosted by the ITF will be held on *Thursday 28 September at the Ribelinos Club*. Transport will be provided from the hotel. Dress: Casual
21. **FAREWELL PARTY**
- A Farewell Party hosted by the Real Club de Polo will be held on *Sunday 1 October at the Hotel Hesperia*. Dress: Casual.
22. **EDUCATIONAL FORUM**
- An Educational Forum will be organised by the ITF on Wednesday 27 September.
 - The Forum will consist of presentations from experts in various fields, including nutrition, media, etc. A current or former professional player will also attend to answer questions from players and coaches.
 - All coaches should attend with their teams. Additional people are also welcome to attend. *Place: Hotel Hesperia. Time: Approximately 19.30.*
23. **OFFICIAL BALL**
- *Wilson Double Core* tennis balls will be used. Three balls will be allocated per match, to be changed after 11 and 13 games.
24. **SCHEDULE\COURTS**
- The schedule of play for matches will be issued daily by the Referee and will be posted on-site and in the lobby of the tournament hotel.
25. **COURT OFFICIALS\BALL PERSONS**
- There will be a Chair Umpire for each match. Additional officials will be provided for the Main Draw Finals. Ball persons will be provided for the semi-finals and finals.
26. **PRACTICE**
- Practice courts will be available from *Sunday 24 September* and will be allocated to teams dependent upon their arrival times.
 - Details of practice court allocation will be posted at the hotel reception on Monday 25 September and in the ITF and Referee's offices on-site thereafter.
 - Practice courts will be available free of charge for use by teams arriving before 24 September, subject to availability (booking must be made in advance, call tournament office number).

27. **PRACTICE BALLS**

- 8 new practice balls will be issued to each team captain on arrival on ***Sunday 24 September***. These balls will be used for the first day (Monday 25 September). Additional practice balls will be provided free of charge for any team arriving early.

28. **TIE-BREAK**

- The tie-break system will be used in each set except in main draw matches where in the third set a normal advantage set will be played.
- However, the tie-break system will be used in the third set of a doubles main draw match that does not affect the result of the tie.
- In consolation ties, the tie-break system will be used in all three sets. There will be no rest after the second set.

29. **SCOREBOARDS**

- Two electronic scoreboards will be placed on the two centre courts. Manual scoreboards will be placed on the remaining courts to be operated by the Chair Umpires.

29. **RESULTS**

- Daily results will be posted on-site and in the hotel Reception area. Results will be emailed to all participating National Associations on a daily basis by the ITF. Also, daily results will be available on the ITF Junior Website at www.itftennis.com/juniors.

30. **TROPHIES AND MEDALS**

- Medals will be presented to the boys' and girls' teams during the Closing Ceremony to be held on ***Sunday 1 October***, immediately following completion of the final match. Full details of the procedure for the Closing Ceremony will be distributed on site.
- Each team is required to stay throughout the competition including the Farewell Party and compete in all consolation matches scheduled.

31. **TOWELS**

- For a deposit of €10, one towel will be available for each player. The €10 will be returned when the towel is returned.

32. **LAUNDRY**

- A reduced rate laundry service will be available at the hotel. Details will be provided at check-in.

33. **WATER**

- Bottled water will be distributed from the tournament office.

34. **PLAYERS' LEISURE**

- Play-stations, free internet access, speed service machine, will all be available in the Polo Club.
- Within a 1 minute walk of the Polo Club ten-pin bowling and table-football are available.

- Within a 3 minute walk of the Polo Club is the Stadium of FC Barcelona.
- Barcelona city centre is 20 minutes from the Polo Club.

35. **LOCKER ROOMS**

- Locker rooms and showers are available at the club for players' use.

36. **STRINGING SERVICE**

- A racket stringing service will be located at the Real Club de Polo. The labour only charge per racquet will be €10. Prices for strings to be confirmed. Alternatively, players may provide their own strings.

37. **FIRST AID**

- A physiotherapist will be available on-site from Monday 25 September to Sunday 1 October inclusive. Treatment will be free of charge for on-court diagnostic problems and first-aid.
- Times on site:
Monday: to be confirmed
Competition Days: From one hour before the start of play until completion of all matches.
- Massages will be available at players' own cost:
30' massage: €15
45' massage: € 20
60' massage: € 25
- A part time doctor will be located at the Polo Club. The rest of the day a doctor will be on call.
- Hospital services will be available 24 hours a day. Nations must have medical insurance in the event of requiring hospital and doctor's treatment.

38. **VALUABLES**

- Each player and captain must take full responsibility for the care of his/her own valuables and personal belongings.

39. **EXTRAS**

- All extras including laundry, telephone bill, telex/fax, room service, additional beverages, etc., will be charged to the room, and all bills should be cleared before departure on Monday 2 October by the relevant team captain.
- Room mini-bars, pay TV and telephones will be available in the captains' rooms only.

40. **HOTELS**

- Under no circumstances may players socialise in the hotel reception area or in the corridors.
- Players are expected to conduct themselves in a quiet and orderly manner at all times.

Poor behaviour will be dealt with very severely.

- The gym is available for teams' use; however the Team Captain must take full responsibility for any player using the or gym. Use of the swimming pool is forbidden.

41. **FOREIGN CURRENCY EXCHANGE**

- Several banks are located close to the Polo Club and the hotel.

42. **SIGHTSEEING/ACTIVITIES**

- Information concerning sightseeing activities will be made available during the week.
- Activities will be arranged for days off, more information will be provided on site.

43. **INTERNET FACILITIES**

- Free internet access will be available in the Players' Lounge at the Polo Club.

44. **WEBSITES**

www.itftennis.com/juniors
www.tenisjunior.rcpolo.com
www.rcpolo.com