TOURNAMENT NOTES

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Site: Innisbrook Golf Resort & Spa – Innisbrook, Fla.
Websites: www.visitinnisbrook.com
          procircuit.usta.com
Qualifying Draw Begins: Friday, May 31
Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, June 4
Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles
Surface: Clay / Outdoor
Prize Money: $15,000

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INNISBROOK MEN’S OPEN
INNISBROOK, FL • MAY 31 – JUNE 9

USTA PRO CIRCUIT RETURNS TO INNISBROOK

The Innisbrook Men’s Open returns to the USTA Pro Circuit for the third consecutive year. A USTA Pro Circuit women’s event is also held in Innisbrook in January. This is the first of five consecutive USTA Pro Circuit clay-court men’s events taking place this summer. In conjunction with USTA Player Development, the USTA Pro Circuit continues to emphasize the importance of increased training for younger players on clay, this year adding four additional clay-court tournaments to the calendar.

On Saturday, June 8, the tournament will host a Kids’ Day featuring 10 and Under Tennis. 10 and Under Tennis is a nationwide USTA initiative that scales the game to size for younger players. 10 and Under Tennis uses smaller courts, slower-moving and lower-bouncing balls and smaller and lighter racquets designed specifically for kids. As such, kids learn, rally, play and compete right from the start, making the game more accessible and more fun and increasing the chance that they will stick with tennis for a lifetime.

Players competing in the main draw are:

Defending doubles champion Chase Buchanan, the top seed in Innisbrook and

the 2012 NCAA men’s doubles champion for Ohio State. On the USTA Pro Circuit in 2012, Buchanan won two Futures singles titles and three Futures doubles titles—all on clay. Behind his results in 2012, he climbed more than 500 spots in the ATP rankings. Buchanan won the doubles title at the $15,000 USTA Pro Circuit Futures in Little Rock, Ark., in April, and competed in qualifying for the ATP events in Delray Beach, Fla., and San Jose, Calif., this year.

Mitchell Frank, who recently completed his sophomore year at the University of Virginia and won the deciding match in the 2013 NCAA team championship to clinch Virginia’s first-ever NCAA team title.

Players competing in the main draw are:

Former Ohio State standout Chase Buchanan, the defending doubles champion in Innisbrook, is the singles top seed this week.

PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES: Prize Money / Points
Winner $2,160 / 27
Runner-up $1,272 / 15
Semifinalist $753 / 8
Quarterfinalist $438 / 3
Round of 16 $258 / 1
Round of 32 $156

DOUBLES: Prize Money (per team)
Winner $930
Runner-up $540
Semifinalist $324
Quarterfinalist $192
Round of 16 $108

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Monday, June 3
Pro-Am and Tennis Exhibition, 5:30 p.m.

Tuesday, June 4
USTA Member Tennis Clinic, 6:00 p.m.

Friday, June 7
Junior World Team Tennis Day with youth clinics
6:00-9:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 8
Kids’ Day featuring 10 and Under Tennis
9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.

*Player field subject to change
Tennis Association’s No. 1-ranked singles player for eight rankings periods and captured singles titles at the USTA/ITA National Indoor Intercollegiate Championships and the ITA All-American Championships. He was named the National Freshman of the Year, but missed the fall 2012 season with an injury. Prior to college, Frank was a Top 5 world-ranked junior.

**Eric Quigley**, the 2012 NCAA singles runner-up at the University of Kentucky. Quigley is one of the most decorated tennis players in UK history, earning five All-America honors between singles and doubles. In 2008, he became the first Kentucky player in 34 years to win four straight high school state singles titles.

**Dennis Nevolo**, a former standout at the University of Illinois, where he finished his collegiate career in 2012. Nevolo competed as part of the 2012 USTA Collegiate Team, and on the USTA Pro Circuit, he reached the quarterfinals or better at five events. This year, he has won USTA Pro Circuit doubles titles at the $15,000 Futures events in Brownsville, Texas, and Oklahoma City.

**Sekou Bangoura**, who was named a doubles All-American during his sophomore year at the University of Florida after reaching the doubles semifinals of the 2011 NCAA tournament.

**Jesse Witten** of Naples, Fla., who posted the best Grand Slam result of his career at the 2009 US Open, qualifying and then knocking off two Top 100 players before falling to Novak Djokovic in four sets in the third round. Witten, 30, a former University of Kentucky standout, peaked at No. 163 in the world in early 2010 and has played on the USTA Pro Circuit periodically during the past two years.

Other former college standouts playing in Innisbrook include:

Former Duke All-American **Reid Carleton**, who spent the first quarter of 2013 competing in ITF Pro Circuit events in Turkey, reaching one singles final and one semifinal; and **Andrew Carter**, who played for Louisville, 2008-2012, and was named to the All-Big East Conference team as a senior.

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### INNISBROOK PAST WINNERS

#### Singles

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**USTA Pro Circuit**

With approximately 90 tournaments hosted annually throughout the country and prize money ranging from $10,000 to $100,000, the USTA Pro Circuit is the pathway to the US Open and tour-level competition for aspiring tennis players and a frequent battleground for established professionals. The USTA launched its Pro Circuit 34 years ago to provide players with the opportunity to gain professional ranking points, and it has since grown to become the largest developmental tennis circuit in the world, offering nearly $3 million in prize money. Last year, more than 1,000 men and women from more than 70 countries competed in cities nationwide. Mardy Fish, Maria Sharapova, John Isner, Caroline Wozniacki, Sam Querrey, Victoria Azarenka and Andy Murray are among today's top stars who began their careers on the USTA Pro Circuit.

More recently, the USTA Pro Circuit helped launch the careers of two young Americans—Jack Sock and Grace Min. Sock began 2012 by winning the singles title and reaching the doubles final at the $10,000 Futures in Plantation, Fla. He then reached the quarterfinals of the $50,000 Challenger in Honolulu. With his strong USTA Pro Circuit results, Sock received wild cards into numerous Emirates Airline US Open Series events in the summer, reaching the quarterfinals in Atlanta. Sock then achieved the best result of his pro career by reaching the third round of the 2012 US Open as a wild card. Sock followed up his US Open results by winning his first career USTA Pro Circuit Challenger title at the $100,000 event in Tiburon, Calif., in the fall and finished 2012 ranked a career-high No. 150 in the world. After winning the 2011 US Open girls’ singles title, Min moved to the USTA Pro Circuit to develop her game. She opened the year by winning the first women’s tournament of 2012 at the $25,000 event in Innisbrook, Fla. Later in the spring, she won back-to-back tournaments at the $50,000 event in Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., and the $25,000 tournament in Raleigh, N.C. She competed in qualifying in Emirates Airline US Open Series events throughout the summer and qualified in Stanford, Calif. Min, who trains at the USTA Training Center Headquarters in Boca Raton, Fla., entered the Top 200 for the first time in her career in 2012, climbing nearly 250 spots in the rankings by year’s end.

**10 and Under Tennis**

Tennis is now scaled to a child's age and size, using lower-bouncing and slower-moving balls, lighter and shorter racquets, and smaller courts. The modified equipment and smaller courts will allow kids to rally and play the game early on, increasing the likelihood that kids will return to the court and continue to improve all while having fun! For more information, visit www.10andundertennis.com

**NJTL**

Founded in 1969 by Arthur Ashe, the USTA/National Junior Tennis & Learning (NJTL) network is a nation-wide group of more than 660 non-profit youth development organizations that provide free or low cost tennis, education and life skills programming to more than 300,000 children each year, ages 6-18, making NJTL one of the USTA's largest community-based offerings.

**Player Development**

The USTA Player Development program identifies and develops the next generation of American champions by surrounding the top junior players and young pros with the resources, facilities and coaching they need to reach their maximum potential. The Player Development program is based at the USTA Training Center Headquarters in Boca Raton, Fla., and also utilizes Training Centers in Carson, Calif., and Flushing, N.Y., as well as a series of Certified Regional Training Centers located throughout the continental United States.

**US Open National Playoffs**

The USTA launched the US Open National Playoffs in 2010, making the US Open “open” to anyone age 14+ and of all skill levels. Last year, more than 1,200 players competed in 13 Sectional Qualifying Tournaments nationwide for a 2012 US Open Qualifying Tournament wild card. A mixed doubles element also was held, with the winning team earning a main draw mixed doubles wild card. Clement Reix, a 28-year-old Frenchman living in Reno, Nev., won the US Open National Playoffs men’s title and USTA Pro Circuit regular Alexandra Mueller, 24, of Abington, PA, won the women’s wild card for the second time in three years. Nicole Melichar and Brian Battistone won the mixed doubles tournament. Registration for the 2013 US Open National Playoffs opened on March 15.