



Newsletter

I.Český *Lawn-Tennis* Klub Praha

March 2024

WORD FROM THE MANAGER



Dear club members,

we are slowly approaching the end of the winter season and preparing for the more popular spring and summer seasons. The professional tennis calendar is in full swing and we will be keeping our fingers crossed for our best to complete this year injury free, fit and in top form.

We can look forward to the 24th edition of our ATP Challenger 75 combined with the ITF Women's W60 tournament on 6-12 May. The support of our players is very important in the home environment, besides, previous editions have shown that the participants of the final rounds are very quickly establishing themselves in the top 100 of world tennis. In the second half of the week we will also allow our members the opportunity to play tennis, especially in the area behind the Negrelli Viaduct.

I would like to try to persuade our non-competitive club members to participate in larger numbers in the "Babolat Amateur Tour 2024" season-long tournament this year. We are preparing to divide the players based on age and expected performance into two categories, primarily to give all entries a sense of a level playing field.

You will have noticed the change in the operator of our Tiebreak Restaurant. As of the beginning of February, it has been taken over from Perinvest Gastro by Mr. Tomas Hertl, who has considerable experience in gastro operations. In the very first days of his operation he indicated a great effort to adapt the repertoire of dishes and price ranges not only to our competitive players and club members, but also to the youth categories.

In the last edition of our newsletter I hinted at the problems with the area behind the viaduct, and even more ominously with traffic and parking. Believe me, we are doing our best in this matter with the help of many influential people and ongoing negotiations suggest that there will be no significant restrictions on the comfort of our club members.

Vladislav Švorda, general manager of the club

MEMBERSHIP FEES 2024

Dear club members,

we would like to draw your attention to the date of 29 February, which was the last day for payment of membership fees. After this date, even current members are not allowed to take advantage of the fitness, regeneration and discounts when buying classes in the halls. Neither is playing tennis on the outdoor courts after the summer season has started.

BABOLAT AMATEUR TOUR 2024

Dear club members,

throughout the summer season there will be a traditional event for non-competitive players - members of the club, this year with a new name and new rules (two performance categories). You will receive more information by email during March.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS MAR-JUN 2024

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| 16 March | ATTour Tournament |
| 22 March | ATTour Tournament |
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| 24 March | U9 Tournament – 30th edition Masters |
| 20 April | U7 Tournament |
| 5 - 12 May | International Tournament Prague Open ATP Challenger 75 / ITF W60 |
| 25 May | Strýček Jedlička Memorial |
| 29 May | Corporate Tournament Feronia |
| 1 June | Corporate Tournament Canal+ Sport |
| 3 - 7 June | ČTS „A“ U12 Tournament (girls) |
| 8 - 10 June | Prague U14 Championships (girls) |
| 11 June | Corporate Tournament Bank Gutmann |
| 13 - 14 June | International Tournament IC CQS Jiří Medonos Cup |
| 21 June | Corporate Tournament ČSOB |
| 29 - 30 June | Festival ČTS „Stage 2 - orange“ U8 Team Competition |

PRAGUE OPEN 2024

The 24th edition of the Prague Open will take place on 5 - 12 May 2024 at Štvanice, again in a combination of the men's ATP Challenger 75 and women's ITF W60 tournaments. More information can be found at www.pragueopen.org.



ACHIEVEMENTS OF OUR PLAYERS



Nikola Bartůňková, player of I.ČTK Praha, finalist of the Wimbledon juniors from last year, has successfully entered the new season 2024. In the women's tournaments she first made her mark in Sunderland, Great Britain, where she lost to the Swiss Valentina Ryser 3/6 6/7 in the final (ITF category W35). She then advanced to the semi-finals at tournaments in Roehampton and Trnava (ITF category W50). Nikola has now moved up to 241st place in the WTA World Ranking.

Kateřina Kubíková another player of I.ČTK Praha (*left in the photo*) became the Czech U12 champion in doubles. Together with Beata Maresova, they have already managed to win this year, among others, the Prague Championship and the ČTS category "A" tournament in SK Vitality Slezsko.



Players of the Markéta Vondroušová Tennis School (*from left Daniel Košler, Nikol Tesárková, Erika Pešková and Catarina Oralová*) took part in the premiere Indoor U9 Championship of the Czech Republic held in Hradec Králové. The first day was played with the "Swiss system", the best eight players advanced to the second day. Three of our players reached quarterfinals.

SUMMER TENNIS CAMPS FOR CHILDREN

The Markéta Vondroušová Tennis School organizes traditional camps for children during the summer holidays. The camps are designed for children aged 4 to 9 years. The program includes tennis and conditioning training or swimming pool, the camps are held in morning and full-day versions. For more information, visit the Tennis School section of the website at www.cltk.cz.

2024 CAMP DATES

- I term ... 8 - 12 July
- II term ... 15 - 19 July
- III term ... 29 July - 2 August
- IV term ... 12 - 16 August
- V term ... 26 - 30 August

The history and successes of the I.ČTK Praha are also backed by our partners! Thank you for your support!

