



Newsletter

I.Český *Lawn-Tennis* Klub Praha

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Word from the club manager



Dear club members, dear tennis fans,

the second decade of June was marked by the extraordinary success of our players. It is of course led by Markéta Vondroušová who, after a long break caused by a shoulder injury, dominated the top-ranked "five hundred" in Berlin. On her way to the triumph she defeated three players of the world fifteen and among them the world number one Sabalenka, whose almost masculine tennis she eliminated with a great tactical game. So Keys (8th place), Shnaider (15th place), Jabeur (her opponent from the Wimbledon final), Sabalenka (1st place) and in the final Xin Yu Wang, who came through the main event without losing a set and with the scalp of world number two Gauff.

Jakub Nicod won his first tournament victory in the colours of I.ČLTk Praha at the ITF 25 tournament in Česká Lípa. It is very valuable, because he also struggled with health problems since his transfer from TK Sparta in January. The victory of our pair Paulson / Vocol at the ATP Challenger in Bratislava (USD 145 thousand) can also be considered a great success.

A stone fell from the hearts of our members and guests when negotiations about parking possibilities under the Negrelli viaduct were brought to an end. In the end, a contract was obtained for the lease of four arches, from which the posts will be removed and the aforementioned spaces will be marked with vertical signage with an additional plaque.

The reconstruction of court 9, which we are paying for from our own resources, has started these days and will have a new hard surface with a softening layer and several coatings. This investment amounts to around two million crowns.

Enjoy the ongoing season.

Vladislav Šavrla, manager of the club

Markéta Vondroušová triumphs in Berlin

Markéta Vondroušová won her first title since Wimbledon 2023 at the grass court tournament in Berlin, Germany, defeating China's Xin Yu Wang in the final. This is her third WTA title overall.

"I enjoy every match. It's amazing to be here and play these matches again," beamed Markéta as she made her way towards the final after Saturday's triumph over world number one Aryna Sabalenka.

"We worked really hard to get back. And I feel like my team and I came here to try to win the first match especially. And now this happened! I'm incredibly grateful to be standing here," rejoiced Marketa after her final victory.

In the world rankings, where Vondrousova dropped to 164th place due to long absences, she moved up 91 places after the title in Berlin and is currently 73rd in the WTA world rankings. Unfortunately, at the third Grand Slam of the season at the All England Club in Wimbledon, London, Markéta lost to Emma Raducan 3/6 3/6 in the second round.



Calendar of events July/August

7-11 July ... Camp
11 July ... Tournament ATTour
12 July ... Tournament U9
14-18 July ... Camp
18 July ... Tournament ATTour
19 July ... Tournament U9
20 July ... Tournament U8

25-27 July ... Tournament ATTour
28 July - 1 srpna ... Camp
1 August ... Tournament ATTour
2 August ... Tournament U9
3 August ... Tournament U8
7-10 August ... Tournament „B“ U12 BABOLAT CUP
11-15 August ... Camp

16 August ... Tournament U9 - Masters
18-24 August ... Turnaj ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors
24 August ... Tournament ATTour
25-29 August ... Camp
30-31 August ... CTC Seniors Tournament

More information can be found in the new calendar on the website in the link [here](#)

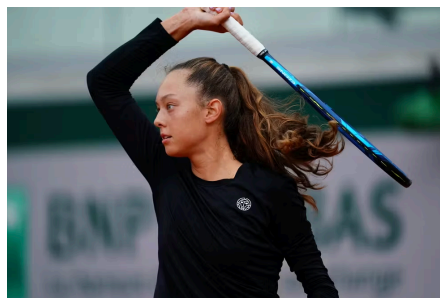
Achievements of I.ČLTK Praha players

The first holiday weekend brought great success to three players of our club. **Darja Vidmanová** (photo) sovereignly dominated the ITF100 in the USA and moved up 73 places in the WTA ranking to 174th place, thus securing her participation in the US Open qualification.

Nikola Bartůňková was able to win the ITF category 30 tournament in Stuttgart, improving 80 places and continuing her comeback to the position she was deprived of by a penalty for alleged and unproven doping. By winning this tournament, she received a "special exemption" for the next ITF tournament in Frankfurt.

Veronika Sekerková entered the top 100 of the world ranking of players under 18 for the first time in her career after winning the ITF Junior 200 tournament in Pilsen and is currently ranked 95th.

The success of our players was completed by the victory at the junior ITF 200 category tournament in Mexico by 17-year-old **Jakub Šmejcký**, who lost only one set during the whole tournament.



Jakub Nicod winner of Macha Lake Open 2025



Jakub Nicod dominated the ITF category 25 tournament in Česká Lípa and won his seventh ITF title. He has now moved back into the top five in the ATP rankings.

Twenty-year-old player Jakub Nicod from Štvanice proved that if he is healthy, he is one of the biggest hopes of Czech tennis. He defeated Matthew Donald, Daniel Siniakov, Martin Krumich and Louis Wessels at the tournament in Česká Lípa. In the final, the fifth-seeded player defeated South African Alec Beckley 7:5, 6:1.

Nicod earned 25 points for the win and moved up to 462nd in the ATP rankings.

A rare visit from AELTC

At the beginning of June, a friendly match with the guests from the prestigious Wimbledon AELTC took place at Štvanjica. Eight mostly good players came and only doubles and mixes were played in pre-arranged age categories 40+, 50+ and 60+.

We lost 2:6, when two of our points were secured after a battle in the super-tiebreakers between Iva Šimunková and Karel Nováček and Petr Šavrdá and Josef Kůrka. The result is not very important because the atmosphere of the matches and the social evening was very pleasant.

Even the English subtitled film about the 130-year history of the club was viewed with great interest by the guests, just as they enjoyed the Sunday boat trip on the Vltava River. Petr Šimůnek with his wife Iva and daughter Lucie, together with Helena Suková, took care of the precious guests.

The photo gallery can be found in the link [here](#)



Club Day



The first club day of the year was held on Sunday 1 June with a record attendance of 22 pairs and many other non-playing club members. Traditionally beautiful weather accompanied the foursomes tournament divided into three performance and age groups. The winners took away a fine Spanish Rioja and another good memory.

The traditional early evening barbecue and the announcement of the winners was still held outside on the terrace and soon after the start of the pub quiz with the popular host Jakub Kvašovský (in the show "On the Hunt" called Calculator) the downpour drove us to the club restaurant where we successfully completed this popular knowledge game of seven teams. A bit of a stressful result for confident men - the winning team named "Female Element".

So see you again on Sunday 7 September 2025 for the second club day.

Tennis School of Markéta Vondroušová

In this year's 2025 season, a record number of over 40 children from the Markéta Vondroušová Tennis School entered the I.ČLTK Prague team competitions in the babytenis and middle court categories. In the children's categories up to 9 years of age, 7 teams participated in the long-term competitions of the Prague Tennis Association. In the babytenis category, teams "A" and "C" won their groups and became the champions of Prague for 2025. In addition, the "A" team advances to the Czech Championship in Prostějov in September. Congratulations to all players for their performances and thank you for representing the club! Thanks also to the parents and coaches!

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Orange Level Festival again at Štvanice



On the weekend of 28th and 29th June, the second edition of the Orange Level Festival took place at the I.ČLTK Prague in Štvanice, which was attended by eight regional selections and a total of 64 children. The promising tennis players (years 2017 and younger) competed on the middle court in singles and doubles, and also passed fitness tests (e.g. throwing the ball across the court or long jump from the spot).

The team of the Prague Tennis Association (photo) won the overall championship, the young hopefuls from the East Bohemia Regional Tennis Association came second and the third place went to the tennis players from the North Moravian Tennis Association.

The event organized by the I.ČLTK club and the Czech Tennis Federation was also attended by two-time Wimbledon doubles champion Barbora Strýcová, who will become the new captain of the Czech BJCK team from next season.

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