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WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR FEDERATION!

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT!

The BLTA Scene:

What's going on ... locally and internationally? I would like to thank the coaches, managers and teams that attended the Net West Small Island Games (SIG) and Bahamas ITF tennis events. Congrats to the Snack Pack winners. BLTA are now preparing to send teams to the JITIC and 13 and under event. I wish everyone who enters the Argus Adult Tournament all the best. The President is looking forward to the junior clinic at the Argus tournament and introducing new junior players to the sport of tennis on Saturday 16th July 2011 starting 10am at the W.E.R. Joell Tennis Stadium. E. Coleridge Place

Adult Tennis Scene:

NotWest Island Games



Bermuda SIG Recap

Bermuda brought home 4 medals in tennis. The highest was the Gold for men's doubles (Jensen Bascome & Gavin Manders), two Silvers for men's doubles (Na'im Ahzar & David Thomas) and men's singles (Gavin Manders) and one Bronze in ladies singles (Tyler Smith). Congratulations Team Bermuda, job well done! Coach Steve Bean, Manager Ian Gordon, Players Gavin Manders, Jensen Bascome, Na'im Ahzar, David Thomes, Tara Lambert, Jackie Lambert and Tyler Smith.

Men's Singles:

Gavin , Na'im & David each had a Bye (1st round).

Gavin Manders defeated:-

Tony Kjäll of Åland 6-0, 6-4. (Round of 32)

Jonny Foulkes of the Isle of Wight 6-2, 6-3, (Round of 16)

Bruce Wagstaff of the Isle of Man 6-3, 6-1, (Quarter Finals)

James Connelly of Jersey 6-1, 6-1 (Semi-Finals).

Lost in the Finals to Panav Jha of Cayman Islands 6-2, 6-3

Na'im Ahzar defeated:-

Alexander Leonard of Cayman Island 6-1, 6-1, (Round of 32)

Lost to Rob West of Guernsey, 3-6, 6-3, 10-6, (Round of 16).

David Thomas defeated:-

Benjamin Brading 6-2, 6-3 of the Isle of Wight (Round of 32)

Lost to Eduardo Torres of Cayman 7-6, 6-3, (Round of 16).

Doubles, Bermuda won Gold and Silver.

Jenson Bascome & Gavin Manders defeated:-

Robinson N - Robinson P of Guernsey 6-4, 1-6, 10-4 (2nd Round)

Le Cornu S - Weaver S of Jersey 6-0, 6-2 (Quarter finals)

Gull R - Kruusmägi M of Saaremaa 6-0, 6-1 (Semi Finals)

Ni'am Ahzar & David Thomas 6-4, 6-3 (Finals)

Ni'am Ahzar & David Thomas defeated:-

Pullinger R - Todd R of Isle of Wight 6-0, 6-0 (1st round)

Jha P - Torres E of Cayman 6-3, 3-6, 10-6 (2nd round)

Connelly J - Harrison D of Jersey 6-3, 6-2 (Quarter finals)

Curiel J - Previ C of Menorca 7-6, 6-1 (Semi-Final),

Lost to Bascome and Manders in final

Ladies Singles:

Tyler Smith defeated:-

Emma Lang of Cayman 6-1, 6-1 (1st Round)

Sandra Moll of Menorca 6-3, 6-2 (Round of 16)

Karen Faragher of Isle of Man 6-3, 6-2 (Quart-Finals)

Lost to Amada Carreras of Gibraltar 6-1, 6-0 (Semi-Final). She was congratulated on her play by Prince Edward who was visiting the site.

Jackie Lambert defeated:-

Georgina Denton Guernsey 6-4, 6-3 (1st Round)

Elena Delgado of Menorca 2-6, 6-4, 10-3, (Round of 16).

She lost to Amada Carreras of Gibraltar 6-0, 6-1, (Quarter Finals).

Tara Lambert defeated:-

Pia Mattsson of Åland 6-2, 6-3 (1st Round)

lost to Gemma Triay Pons of Menorca 6-0, 6-0.

Ladies Doubles:

Jacklyn & Tara Lambert lost to Moynihan & Gouyette 6-3, 6-1.

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The 2011 Island Games concluded on the Isle of Wight with the flag handed over to Bermuda who are the next host of the Games, "The 14th International Island Games in 2013."

BLTA Tennis Ladder!

In the summer of 2011 the BLTA Ladder returns. Do you want to play more tennis? Are you looking for more people to play and compete against? Are you looking for a challenge to your game? Then the BLTA Tennis Ladder is the answer to all your dreams.

Sunday 7th August 2011 we plan on launching the BLTA tennis ladder. Sign up today. To enroll and play on the ladder all players are required to have an ITN number certified by a qualified coach. Contact the BLTA or visit the BLTA [website](http://www.blta.bm) for a list of local qualified and certified Coaches trained to offer the ITN test. Contact the BLTA if you would like to assist or play on the ladder, info@blta.bm.

Commercial League is on!

The 2011 Commercial League season is off to a roaring start. This year we hope to have information and updates posted to the [website](http://www.blta.bm) by committee members very soon.

Next BLTA Tournaments!



The next BLTA tournament is the adult Argus Tournament 14th July – 23rd July 2011. See the BLTA [website](http://www.blta.bm) for applications, results and further details.

What is your number?

Every tennis player needs to know their number. The ITN is an international tennis number that represents a player's general level of play. To determine your number see a coach today and be in the know, know number. For more information visit the ITF's ITN [website](http://www.itftennis.com) and contact one of the BLTA certified coaches to determine your ITN number today.

Junior Tennis Scene:

ITF Junior Tournament!

What an event. Another high level performance, focus, warm-up training, play, officiating and coaching was seen and enjoyed with in this event. It was so good to have the event on again as it brought

excitement of high level tennis back to our shores. This tournament sets the bar high for our junior tennis development.

This year we saw fantastic success with Tyler making it to the Semi's in her first ITF for the year. Neil Towlson had a hard fought match going 3 sets in his first round loss. On the COTECC side we saw Christopher Rego taking top honors in singles and doubles.

Our regional ITF rep Mr. Anthony Jeremiah was here and met with many officials and coaches of the BLTA, Youth and Sport the BOA etc.

In Bahamas Christopher Rego also won the COTECC tournament there and he is well on his way to the number one spot currently at #3. See the [COTECC](http://www.cotecc.com) rankings at the [COTECC](http://www.cotecc.com) website. Three other players Tanner Boyle, Nicholas Lines and James Finnagan also traveled and played the [event](http://www.blta.bm).

BLTA Snack Pack – visit the BLTA website for participants and results.

JITIC – Early August 2011

13 & Unders – Late August 2011

Pepperidge Farm resumes in September. See the BLTA website for more information.

National Training – resumes in September.

Know the Rules!



How well do you know the tennis rules as a player, as parent, as a spectator and even as a coach? The ITF offers you the opportunity to know the rules better by going back to school, yes tennis school online.

Tennis education for players, parents, officials, spectators and coaches!

Visit the [ITF tennis school](http://www.itftennis.com) website and go back to school, tennis school. Tennis education takes place on and off the court it is about having refined tennis strokes and a refined mental game as well.

Reminder: The BLTA is not only a volunteer organization and a registered Charity; it is your tennis organization and your tennis charity. So don't ask what are they doing rather ask what can I (you) do to assist and make it the best tennis organization for us. Your assistance is needed. A great big thank you to all those that have assisteven of their time over the years and continue and also to those that are stepping down and making room for others to step up. Thanks to Margo Rego, Megan Boyle and Sharon Lines for all your service over the years.

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