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## HEINZ GRIMM - IN THE SPOTLIGHT



Heinz Grimm

Heinz Grimm was appointed the first General Secretary in 1975 and became three years later the second President of the European Tennis Association. He kept this position during 15 years, longest period for a President of our Association as per today. At the same time he was very involved with the International Tennis Federation and was awarded the title of Honorary Life Vice-President this year at the ITF Annual General Meeting in Marrakech

**The European Tennis Association was founded in 1975. Why did you accept the position, as the first General Secretary and what were your aims for this new European body?**

I accepted the position of the General Secretary of this newly created Association because I felt it was very challenging and interesting as tennis was already at that stage a big part of my life. I was a Davis Cup player and a Davis Cup Captain by then. In that period, tennis was dominated by USA and our aim was to create a European governing body that would be responsible and in charge for Europe.

**During the 15 years as Tennis Europe President, what was your biggest achievement and satisfaction?**

During the period of 15 years, as you can imagine we had more than one satisfaction and achieve-

ment but for me the biggest was the Women's circuit in Europe. The European Tennis Association (Tennis Europe) was the first to start the Women's circuit. Nobody else in the world had a Women's circuit at that point. In addition to that, a great satisfaction and achievement was the building up with great success, the junior activities such as the Junior Championships and Junior Tour.

**At the same time you served the European Tennis Association and ITF. How did you feel about this combination and what was your motivation for doing it for such a long time?**

The combination between ITF and its regional governing body European Tennis Association (Tennis Europe) was great. There were no problems and in fact, I felt it was very important from both sides to have a direct link between them.

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## HEINZ GRIMM - IN THE SPOTLIGHT

The motivation of doing it for such a long time it was the love and admiration that I had for the sport named tennis. Tennis has always been a big part of my life. Tennis has given me so much and I felt I had to give something back. It was fascinating.

**The last ITF AGM in Morocco has nominated you as Honorary Life Vice-President. What does this award mean to you?**

It means a lot to me. I felt proud and honoured to receive this title. It is very difficult to explain it in

words when you receive something like that. The best thing that you feel, is the fact that you are still part of the big tennis family.

**You have seen many Top Tennis players coming and going. Which player impressed you the most and why?**

I admire the game when it's complete. Complete to me, means when a player is not all the time playing from the baseline or being all the time at the net. During my early days I was impressed by Rod Laver and in nowadays Pete

Sampras.

**How do you spend your spare time that is left from tennis nowadays?**

Do I have any spare time? I own a small clock shop in Bern, which keeps me quite busy. I have three grandchildren; I am a member in the ITF committee named PILA, which is in charge to evaluate the organisation of Davis Cup – Fed Cup ties. Last but not least I play golf with the family.

*(Stephanie Kamberi)*

## MERGE IN VETERANS' TENNIS

**The International Tennis Federation and Tennis Europe have agreed to join forces for the good of Veteran's Tennis in Europe and Worldwide.**

The European Veterans Circuit was started by a very enthusiastic Veterans Committee of the European Tennis Association in 1996, in order to better link the competitions taking place throughout Europe and to support the establishing of the new computerized rankings to start the same year.

On one side it was a success as the very sophisticated ranking system was immediately well adopted by a majority of players, but on the other side it became more and more clear that the situation with two parallel Circuits and Rankings

run in Europe was not satisfactory. It created a big confusion among the National Associations, Tournaments Organisers and Players. Following discussions with the ITF and within Tennis Europe, the Veterans Committee and Committee of Management came to the conclusion that the best solution was to join forces with the ITF, for the benefit of everybody.

Therefore, starting from January 1, 2003, Tennis Europe will administer on behalf of the ITF the European Tournaments part of the ITF Veterans Circuit: this means send-

ing out application forms for next year's Calendar, establishing the Calendar, collecting the sanction fees, inputting the results for establishing the rankings, liaising with National Associations and Tournament Organisers.

President John James said: "I am convinced that this was the right decision as the Veterans Players deserve to get the best possible service from Tennis Europe and ITF. I am sure that all parties involved will agree".

*(Tennis Europe News Release)*

## 2002 EUROPEAN VETERANS CHAMPIONSHIPS—RESULTS

Men and Women +35 in Cuxhaven, GER, 25-28 July

### Mens' Final Singles:

Thomas GOLLWITZER (GER) d. Stefan EGGMAYER (GER) 62 61

### Womens' Final Singles:

Florentina CURPENE (GER) d. Alice SCHÖPP (GER)

The complete Singles and Doubles results and draws are available from the Tennis Europe Office in Basel.

*(Sylvia Alvarado)*

## 22 OFFICIALS GOT THEIR WHITE BADGES

The recent Level 2-school in London had a fantastic pass rate. As many as 22 new officials were awarded White badges. The school, which was the only Level 2-school in Europe this year, catered for both Chair Umpires, Referees and Chief Umpires.

Our congratulations to:

### CHAIR UMPIRES

Cristina Amoruso	(ITA),
Bruno Castro	(POR),
Amelie Comelli	(FRA),
Giuseppe De Pasquale	(ITA),
Mohab Fahmi	(MLT),
Arthur Gmunder	(SUI),
Eli Gorelik	(ISR),
Christian Knabe	(GER),
Jarmila Kovacova	(SVK),
Dejan Krstevski	(MKD),
Stefan Lorenz	(GER),

Patrick Mackenstein	(GER),
Carlos Meirinhos	(POR),
Emmanuel Sallaberry	(FRA),
Niklas Trosell	(SWE),
Jennifer Wellauer	(SUI),
Michael Zur	(ISR)

### REFEREES

Philip Evans	(GBR)
George Vassiliades	(CYP)

### CHIEF UMPIRES

Tobias Fuchs	(GER),
Matthias Giese	(GER)
Ralph Wurster	(GER)

A Level 3-school will be held in Austria in October and the traditional Refresher Seminars will be in London towards the end of the year. *(Anders Wennberg)*

## MASSIMO MORELLI FROM ITALY WAS APPOINTED SUPERVISOR/QUALITY COORDINATOR OF THE EUROPEAN JUNIOR TOUR

**The delegates from 37 European National Associations agreed on the occasion of the last Annual General Meeting in Cambridge to invest some money from the reserve funds into the Junior game and to create the position of a Supervisor/Quality Coordinator for the European Junior Tour.**

The European Junior Tour is no doubt one of the most successful activities of Tennis Europe. It started in 1990 with a total of 43 tournaments and met immediately with the great interest of National Associations, Clubs, Coaches and Players. It consists today of nearly 250 tournaments for the categories 16, 14 and 12 & under taking place all over Europe.

Consequently, the concern of the Junior Committee goes now to the quality more than to the quantity. Having this in mind, and thanks to the approval of the Annual General Meeting to use some reserve funds, it was decided to create the position of Supervisor/Quality Coordinator for the European Junior Tour.

**"This has been certainly a very**

**important step in the further development of the European Junior Tour which is a big asset of our Association"** The President, John James said.

The post was advertised in the April edition of the Tennis Europe News and more than 25 applications, all from high qualified referees and coaches, were received.

On 4<sup>th</sup> July, it was decided to appoint Massimo Morelli, who was found to be the most suitable candidate for the job.

Massimo Morelli is 36 years old, lives in Milan (Italy), was employed as an Export Manager for a textile Company and is silver badge Referee, which provides him with a broad knowledge of tournament or-

ganisation. Besides his mother language, which is Italian, Massimo speaks English, French and Spanish.

Massimo's function includes assisting the tournament organisation with administrative and technical procedures, developing new ideas and setting priorities for the future as well as acting as European Junior Tour Supervisor to ensure the rules and regulations are followed, setting minimum standards and controlling the organisation.

He will be employed for a first period of 18 months and he started at the end of July.

We wish him much satisfaction and success in this challenging enterprise. *(Tennis Europe News Release)*

## 2002 EUROPEAN INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

July is, as usual, time for European Individual Championships. This year Italy, France and Switzerland have been selected by Tennis Europe Junior Committee to host this important competition which had the participation of the top European players of each category and showed outstanding interest from the media as well as from the spectators.

As the Junior Tour Supervisor/Quality Coordinator of Tennis Europe I had the chance to travel to all the three venues hosting the competitions.

My tour started from Genova, Italy where the Tennis Club Genova organised the Under 16 competition, together with the cooperation of three other different clubs. The atmosphere of the sea was inspiring. Tomeu Salva from Spain and Monica Niculescu from Romania who won, respectively the boys and the girls tournament.

My next step was to Vichy, France for the U14 competition, attended by all the top European players plus some under 12 also. The

beautiful Tennis Club de Vichy was invaded by more than 80 boys and than 70 girls to attend the competition which saw the victory of Roberto Bautista from Spain among boys and of Michaela Krajicek of Netherlands among girls.

Finally my trip ended in Klosters, in the middle of the Swiss alps, for the U18 competition. After a week of great tennis Tomas Berdych and Eva Birnerova, both from Czech Republic had their triumph. Particularly, the girls final was played between seed n°1 and seed n°2, both from Czech Republic.

Generally all three tournaments were very well organised, giving players and coaches the feeling to be like at home. Particularly the off-court social activities were well implemented, giving to our young champions the possibility to make sightseeing as well as rafting or simply going to the disco. Players had the chance to spend time together both on and off court, exchanging experiences and living daily in an international ambience. National Associations demonstrate

to trust in the role of Tennis Europe in organising these competitions by sending their best players.

Crowd attendance was impressive since the very first days of each competition, reaching his top at final stage, where you could hardly find a place to attend the different finals if not entered on site well in advance. The lesson that I learned is that there is a growing interest for this Championships, which already represent one of the most important meeting in the Junior Calendar.

Tennis Europe is looking forward to continuing with these great venues for the next year's competition, being sure that the organisers will do their best in order to further improve their tournaments.

More Information about the Championships, including complete results can be found at the following link: [www.tenniseurope.org/sites/junior/indichamppdf.htm](http://www.tenniseurope.org/sites/junior/indichamppdf.htm) or are available from the Tennis Europe Office

(Massimo Morelli)

## 2003 EUROPEAN JUNIOR TOUR

The application process for the 2003 European Junior Tours 12/14/16& Under has already started. The deadline to send the applications for 12&U events is Friday 27 September and for 14/16&U it was Friday 30th August 2002. For more information please contact the Tennis Europe Office in Basel."

## TENNIS COACHING - WHAT HAPPENS ON A RAINY DAY ?

In bad weather condition unless you have an indoor facility, tennis coaching is cancelled. Students miss out on their training slowing their development and the coach can lose that income.

Now, the answer is to use the Rainy Day Tennis Book designed for 5 to 15 year olds with over 80 fun things to do on a rainy day or

any other day. The book is inspirational, improving mental skills and challenges players to increase their awareness of the tennis environment.

The Rainy Day Tennis Book is now available to **national tennis association's** under licence to reproduce as a giveaway through sponsorship or to sell to clubs,

coaches and students.

For enquiries and further information contact Geoff Love on email at: [geoff@rainydaytennisbook.com](mailto:geoff@rainydaytennisbook.com)

Or go to

[www.rainydaytennisbook.com](http://www.rainydaytennisbook.com)

## 2002 JUNIOR NATIONS RANKING

The Nations Ranking highlights the countries with the best overall performances at the European Junior Individual Championships. The 2002 top 3 standings are listed below. For the complete lists please visit our website: <http://www.tenniseurope.org/sites/junior/indichamp.htm>.

1. Czech Republic	550 Points
2. Spain	330 Points
3. Romania	235 Points

The prizes will be handed over at the Junior General Meeting in Sliema, Malta in late November to the delegates of the National Associations concerned.

## 2002 EUROPEAN SUMMER CUPS

The 2002 European Summer Cups have been now completed. All the details and draws are available from our website: <http://www.tenniseurope.org>.

Please find below the final standings for the different age categories. For more information please contact the Tennis Europe Office:

Boys 14&U/Copa del Sol	Boys 16&U/Borotra Cup	Boys 18&U / Valerio/Galea Cup
1. <i>Spain</i>	1. <i>Spain</i>	1. Sweden
2. <i>Russia</i>	2. <i>France</i>	2. Czech Republic
3. <i>Czech Republic</i>	3. <i>Belarus</i>	3. Germany
4. <i>France</i>	4. <i>Greece</i>	4. France
5. <i>Belarus</i>	5. <i>Germany</i>	5. Spain
6. <i>Belgium</i>	6. <i>Croatia</i>	6. Slovak Republic
7. Croatia	7. Great Britain	7. Russia
8. Italy	8. Turkey	8. Poland

Girls 14&U/Europa Cup	Girls 16&U/Helvetie Cup	Girls 18&U/Soisbault Reina Cup
1. <i>Netherlands</i>	1. <i>Czech Republic</i>	1. Czech Republic
2. <i>Poland</i>	2. <i>Germany</i>	2. Russia
3. <i>Czech Republic</i>	3. <i>Russia</i>	3. Croatia
4. <i>Spain</i>	4. <i>Hungary</i>	4. Romania
5. <i>Russia</i>	5. <i>Belarus</i>	5. France
6. <i>France</i>	6. Netherlands	6. Slovak Republic
7. Bosnia & Herzegovina	7. Italy	7. Spain
8. Great Britain	8. Slovenia	8. Italy

Highlighted Nations qualify for the ITF Team Event Finals:

- 14&Under: World Junior Tennis Competition, which took place in Prostějov, CZE on 12-18 August (**CZE qualifies as Host Nation**)
- 16&Under: Junior Davis Cup by BNP Paribas & Junior Fed Cup, which will take place in La Baule, FRA on 10-15 September (**FRA qualifies as Host Nation**).

(Sylvia Alvarado)

## RACE TO THE MASTERS - EUROPEAN JUNIOR MASTERS

The Tennis Europe Junior Masters was started in 1996 to reward the players who compete in the European Junior Tour. It is the end of season highlight for the eight best-ranked boys and girls of the 14 and 16 & under age categories. The Masters is going to take place in Iesi (Italy) from the 18th - 20 October 2002. The rankings below show the players which are currently (**ranking as per 29th August 2002**) qualified for the 2002 European Junior Masters. The European players which are on 26th September still in the top eight of this ranking will be qualified for this years European Junior Masters.

### BOYS 14 & UNDER

	Name	Surname	Nation
1	Lojda	Dusan	CZE
2	Cilic	Marin	CRO
3	Novikov	Dmitry	BLR
4	Roshardt	Robin	SUI
5	Katic	Dejan	YUG
6	Chirita	Andy Sebastian	SWE
7	Grubsic	Jurica	CRO
8	Bautista	Roberto	ESP

### GIRLS 14 & UNDER

	Name	Surname	Nation
1	Krajicek	Michaela	NED
2	Havartsova	Volha	BLR
3	Bacsinszky	Timea	SUI
4	Lesniak	Marta	POL
5	Kiszczyńska	Magdalena	POL
6	Kosminskaya	Ekaterina	RUS
7	Rodina	Evguenia	RUS
8	Corduneanu	Corina	ROM

### BOYS 16 & UNDER

	Name	Surname	Nation
1	Monfils	Gael	FRA
2	Salva	Bartolome	ESP
3	Katsigiannakis	Zacharias	GRE
4	Granollers	Marcel	ESP
5	Djokovic	Novak	YUG
6	Ouanna	Josselin	FRA
7	Nedovesov	Alexandr	UKR
8	Skrypko	Aliaksandr	BLR

### GIRLS 16 & UNDER

	Name	Surname	Nation
1	Gonzales	Adriana	ESP
2	Niculescu	Gabriela	ROM
3	Szatmari	Agnes	ROM
4	Rebersak	Polona	SLO
5	Kleibanova	Alissa	RUS
6	Niculescu	Monica	ROM
7	Savu	Andra	ROM
8	Krstajic	Danica	YUG



# ITF/TENNIS EUROPE 14&U SMALL STATES TEAM SUCCESS IN THE BALTIC

The ITF/Tennis Europe 14 & Under Small States Team hung up its trainers last week following one of the most successful tours in its 3-year history.

The team was made up of 6 players, 4 boys and 2 girls, who under the guidance of Gitanas Mazonas (LTU), Davis Cup Captain and a Level II coach, embarked on a 3-week tour of Latvia and Estonia. The players were invited to be members of the team following excellent performances at the ITF/Tennis Europe Small States Championships held in Cyprus in April of this year.

## BOYS

IOANNIDES Neophytos (CYP)  
CLEMENT Max (LUX)  
STYLIANOU Charis (CYP)  
NAJFELD Mathias (LUX)

## GIRLS

PHILIPPE Lynn (LUX)  
CORNELIUS Tiffany (LUX)

## COACH

Gitanas Mazonas (LTU)

The tour kicked off with a 5-day training camp in Tallin where the players were able to practise under the direction of Mazonas on the

same courts of the club that was hosting the first scheduled event, the "Estonian Open 14U – Babolat Cup 2". The team had a slow and disappointing start to the tour, with only Lynn Philippe of Luxembourg winning through to the second round of the event, only to lose out in straight sets to Alexandra Malychikova of Belarus 62 63.

The team then moved to Riga for the category 2 event "Riga 800" where they hoped that a change of scenery would bring with it a change of luck and they weren't disappointed. Lynn Philippe put in an excellent performance to reach the semi-finals only to be stopped in her tracks by Alexandra Panova of Russia, who went on to win the tournament and reach the doubles semi-final together with team mate and compatriot Tiffany Cornelius.

On the boys' side, Charis Stylianou having knocked out Dzianis Skadarou (BLR) and Krisjanis Stabis (LAT) went down 64 62 to Aliaksandr Zotov of Russia despite playing one of his best matches on the tour. In the boys' doubles semi-final, compatriots Neophytos Ioannides and Charis Stylianou were beaten in a three-set thriller 76 46 62 by the eventual winners Roman Petrounin and George Morgoev of Russia.

From Riga, the capital of Latvia, the team then set off for the last tournament on the tour, Liepaja where playing conditions were excellent. Max Clement of Luxembourg reached the semi-final of the boys' singles event, but was over-

come by the power of Mikhail Karpov from Croatia who went on to win the singles event and reached the boys' doubles semi-finals with fellow compatriot Mathias Najfeld. In the girls' singles Lynn Philippe won through to the quarterfinals losing 76 61 to eventual winner Maria Mossolova of Russia.

Gitanas Mazonas, who was guiding his first ITF/Tennis Europe Team commented: "Working with the Small States Team has been a unique experience. I believe our players did very well outside their own environment and their skills were tested against very good players from Eastern Europe who are traditionally both mentally tough and excellent fighters on court".

He went on to say: "The Small States Team has never won so many matches during the tour and I hope that the players will remember the experience gained away from home in a very competitive environment".

The players have now joined their National teams in Vichy, France for the highlight event of the year, the Tennis Europe Individual 14 & Under Junior Championships where it is hoped that they will build on their performances from the last 3 weeks.

For full results of the tour visit the official website of Tennis Europe on [www.tenniseurope.org](http://www.tenniseurope.org)

(Luca Santilli)



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## ITF/TENNIS EUROPE 14&UNDER EASTERN EUROPEAN TEAM COLLECTING TITLES IN EUROPEAN JUNIOR TOUR

The ITF/Tennis Europe 14 & Under Eastern European Team concluded its 6 weeks tour in Europe four weeks ago making this year one of the most successful tour in its 8-year history.

The team under the guidance of coaches Hrvoje Zmajc (CRO), Edita Liachoviciute (LTU) and Rimvidas Mugevicius (LTU) was made up of 13 players, 6 boys and 7 girls coming from a total of 8 different eastern European nations. The players were invited to be members of the team following excellent performances at the ITF/Tennis Europe Development Championships held in Lithuania this year.

doubles semifinals losing to eventual winners Vika Azaranka and Natalia Rudnovskaia of Belarus.

The team then moved to Leewarden (NED) for the category 1 event "Windmill Cup" where both Volha Havarstova and Dmitri Novikov of Belarus put in an excellent performance to conquer both the boys' and girls' titles. In addition in the boys' singles event Ivan Sergeyev of Ukraine reached the semifinals only to be stopped by Juan Martin Del Potro of Argentina, who in the quarter of finals overcame in straight sets ITF/Tennis Europe team member Mihai Puscasu of Romania. Also to be mentioned the good perform-

teams in Vichy, France for the highlight event of the year, the Tennis Europe Individual 14 & Under Junior Championships while Zorica Petrov and Daiana Negreanu of Romania with coaches Mugevicius and Liachoviciute went on to Paris to attend the "Des Hauts de Seine" event.

In Vichy, Volha Havartsova reached the semifinals and went down to eventual European finalist Michaela Krajicek of the Netherlands while Corina Corduneanu reached the quarterfinals beaten in three sets by Timea Bacsinszky of Switzerland.

In the boys' singles event, three ITF/Tennis Europe team members Dejan Katic, Dmitri Novikov and Mihai Puscasu were able to reach the quarterfinals with Martin Shishkov reaching the boys' doubles semifinals with fellow compatriot Plamen Avramov.

After one week, all team members were re-united again in Cologne, Germany for the category 1 event "GEW Tennis Juengsten Cup" which again saw a fantastic performance of the ITF/Tennis Europe team members Volha Havartsova and Dmitri Novikov who won respectively the girls' and boys' singles titles. Corina Corduneanu showed her consistency and talent reaching again the girls' singles semifinals and going down 64 62 to Sabine Lisicki of Germany who was then beaten in straight sets in the final by Havartsova. Zorica Petrov of Yugoslavia having knocked out three players from three different continents went down to Corina Corduneanu after a tough three-setter match and despite playing her best tournament on the tour.

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### BOYS

Dmitriy Novikov	(BLR)
Dejan Katic	(YUG)
Ivan Sergeyev	(UKR)
Martin Shishkov	(BUL)
Paul Mihai Puscasu	(ROM)
Jaak Poldma	(EST)

### GIRLS

Volha Havartsova	(BLR)
Corina Corduneanu	(ROM)
Iva Velkovska	(MKD)
Kateryna Polunina	(UKR)
Daiana Negreanu	(ROM)
Zorica Petrov	(YUG)
Alisa Vaidere	(LAT)

As tradition wants the tour kicked off with a 5-days training camp in Paris where players and coaches had the opportunity to know each other and practise on the same courts of the club that was hosting the first scheduled event, the "Paris Open de Jeune". The team had a remarkable and exciting start to the tour, with Dejan Katic of Yugoslavia winning the boys' singles title and overcoming in the final Alexandre Sidorenko of France in straight sets. In the girls' singles event Corina Corduneanu of Romania went on to the semifinals and lost a three sets battle to Nikola Frankova of Czech Republic and together with team mate Volha Havartsova of Belarus reached the

ance of Corina Corduneanu in the girls' singles who lost in the quarterfinals to Natalia Rudnovskaia of Belarus who went on to win the tournament. In the boys' singles consolation event Martin Shishkov of Bulgaria reached the semifinals beaten by Maytin of Venezuela.

In the girls' doubles two ITF/Tennis Europe pairs with Zorica Petrov (YUG) and Volha Havarstova and Kateryna Polunina (UKR) and Corina Corduneanu lost in the semifinals respectively to Dutch pair Boonstra and Schoofs and to Lesniak and Kiszynska of Poland.

From Leewarden most of the team members, accompanied by Hrvoje Zmajc, set off to join their National



## ITF/TENNIS EUROPE 14&UNDER EASTERN EUROPEAN TEAM COLLECTING TITLES IN EUROPEAN JUNIOR TOUR

To make the tournament even more successful for the ITF/Tennis Europe team, compatriots Corina Corduneanu and Daiana Negreanu of Romania won the girls' doubles event beating in straight sets the South-American players Molinero and Alvarez. In the boys' doubles Puscasu and Shishkov won through the semifinals losing to South-American Durango and Del Petro.

Finally the team moved to Hasselt, Belgium for the last tournament on the tour. Highlights of the team's results were a final appearance for Corina Corduneanu who went down 76 26 64 to Olaru Raluca af-

ter a thrilled three-setter match and Zorica Petrov who won through to the quarterfinals and went down fighting after getting five match-points 46 62 76 to Joanna Matuszczyk of Poland. Corina took her first title winning the doubles event with partner Shuai Zhang of China over the Georgian pair Tatishvili/Lajikia.

Hrvoje Zmajic, at the guidance of the ITF/Tennis Europe Team for the third time in a row and gratified by the teams' success, commented: "the summer European Junior Tour provides our players with a great opportunity to compete with the best Under 14 play-

ers from around the world. Every year our players achieve excellent results during the Tour and regularly improve their rankings". He went on to say: "besides a remarkable number of played match, players learn to live in a group and to be self-reliant at the same time. The collective experience is very important for developing the player's personality and self-confidence in the future".

For full results of the tour visit the official website of Tennis Europe on [www.tenniseurope.org](http://www.tenniseurope.org)

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## 2002 EUROPEAN COACHES SYMPOSIUM

All 48 member nations of Tennis Europe have been invited to attend the 25<sup>th</sup> edition of the European Coaches Symposium to be held from 12 - 17 October at Vale do Lobo, Portugal and organised by Tennis Europe in conjunction with the Portugal Tennis Federation.

The four-days conference will concentrate on the development of high performance players and will provide updates on the latest research in the coaching and sport science fields. Three themes will be covered during the four-day conference: general interest in tennis, tennis sport science and specific topics given by top coaches.

The programme will include on and off court presentations on topics

such as: High Quality Player Development, Tennis Methodology and Biomechanics, Tennis Medicine and Psychology, Wheelchair Tennis, Tennis Technology and many others.

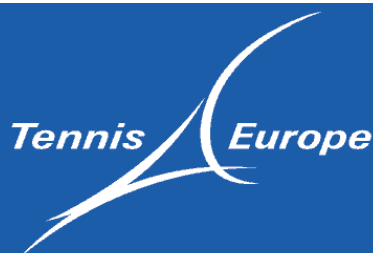
Speakers will include top level coaches, sport doctors and tennis experts including: Richard Schonborn (GER), Ivo Van Aken (BEL), Hans-Peter Born (GER), V. Cabral (POR), P.P. Correja (POR), C. Coutinho (POR), Joao Cunha e Silva (POR), Gilles Daubinet (FRA), Antoni Girod (FRA), Roberto Lombardi (ITA), Marcel Meier (SUI), Anne Pankhurst (GBR), Bernard Pestre (FRA), Ulf Pettersson (SWE), Babette Pluim (NED), Alberto Riba (ESP), David Sanz (ESP), Jiri Sledr (CZE).

Applications to attend the conference must come to the TENNIS EUROPE Headquarters in Basel via National Associations.

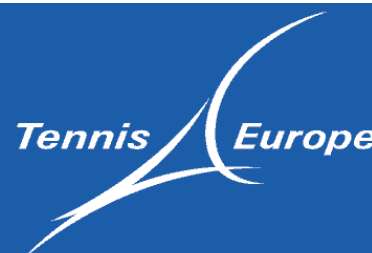
**Closing date for entries is Tuesday 10 September 2002.** Therefore, any coaches wishing to apply to attend the Symposium should contact their National Association immediately.

For more information on the European Coaches Symposium in Vale do Lobo, Portugal, please visit the Tennis Europe homepage ([www.tenniseurope.org](http://www.tenniseurope.org)) or contact Luca Santilli the ITF/Tennis Europe Development Officer ([lucas@tenniseurope.org](mailto:lucas@tenniseurope.org)).

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## 2002 JUNIOR GENERAL MEETING, 22-23 NOVEMBER IN SLIEMA (MALTA)

The 2002 Junior General Meeting is going to take place from 22 to 23 November in Sliema (Malta). The meeting is targeted to the Junior Department Coordinators/Administrators of the National Associations and the Tournament Directors.

The topic of this year's meeting is "Improvement of the quality of the European Junior Tours 12/14/16&Under"

- Onsite Representation of Tennis Europe
- Link between Organising Clubs, National Associations and Tennis Europe
- Rules & Regulations
- Calendar Issues
- 16&Under Category
- Promotional Issues

## 2002 TOP EXECUTIVE'S MEETING

The 2002 Top Executives Meeting is going to take place in Biarritz (France) from 4 to 6 October 2002. The Meeting is targeted to the General Secretaries and CEO of the Tennis Europe Member Nations.

The theme of the meeting is "Tennis Clubs - the backbones of our activities" and it includes a workshop plus following presentations.

- Club project by the French Tennis Federation
- Club Vision by the Lawn Tennis Association
- Adults tennis in France; Discovery, Conditioning, Performance
- The value of Tennis Clubs in Swedish Tennis
- Tennis Clubs and Federation in Belgium - Successful data transfer linked to the Web Site
- Grassroot sponsorship programmes

## 2002 TOURNAMENT CONFERENCE

The 2002 Tournament Conference is going to take place in Warsaw (Poland) from 16 to 17 November 2002. The meeting is targeted to the person responsible for the planning, promotion and coordination of the ITF Men's and Women's Circuit events or the officiating programme in our Member Nations.

The programme is including the following points:

- **Annual Update** about tournament formats, rules and regulations for year 2002
- **Specialist Sessions** for Men's and Women's Tennis and Officiating preparing for year 2002 onwards
- **"Fill the stands"**, which forms the main conference theme:  
*How to make the Men's and Women's Circuit events more accessible and interesting to the sports interested spectators in the local area of the event. Various ideas will be presented and discussed.*

**THE EUROPEAN TOP 10  
WOMEN**

	Player	Country	WTA TOUR Ranking
1	Dokic Jelena	YUG	4
2	Hénin Justine	BEL	6
3	Clijsters Kim	BEL	7
4	Hingis Martina	SUI	8
5	Mauresmo Amélie	FRA	9
6	Hantuchova Daniela	SVK	11
7	Testud Sandrine	FRA	12
8	Dementieva Elena	RUS	13
9	Farina-Elia Silvia	ITA	14
10	Myskina Anastasia	RUS	16

The European Women's Ranking is based on the WTA Ranking of 26th August 2002.

**MEN**

	Player	Country	ATP CHAMPIONS RACE
1	Safin Marat	RUS	2
2	Henman Tim	GBR	4
3	Costa Albert	ESP	5
3	Moya Carlos	ESP	5
5	Ferrero Juan Carlos	ESP	7
6	Haas Thommy	GER	8
7	Federer Roger	SUI	11
8	Novak Jiri	CZE	12
9	Johansson Thomas	SWE	13
10	Corretja Alex	ESP	15

The European Men's Ranking is based on the ATP Champions Race Ranking of 26th August 2002.

## THE LATEST FROM TENNIS EUROPE

**CONGRATULATIONS...**

to Sue Livingston, who received the European Women of Achievement Award 2002. This is organised by the European Union of Women to recognise outstanding achievement in Europe among women in five key categories: Arts and Media, Business, Entrepreneur, Humanitarian and Professional. Sue was given the award in the Professional section.

The recipients are women with an outstanding achievement in their chosen field that must have a significant European dimension. Personal commitment, determination and ability to overcome obstacles are the characteristics that qualify the designated person, who should have been a pioneer or instigator of the success in her function.

This is no doubt the case for Sue: from 1983 to 1999 she was responsible for creating and organising the European Women's Circuit on behalf of the European Tennis Association.

Congratulations to **Francesca & Luca Santilli** for the birth of their little daughter **Carolina**.

The telephone and fax numbers of the **Ukraine Tennis Federation** have changed. They are new as following

Telephone ++380 44 234 8782  
Telephone/Fax ++380 44 239 6745.

The Contact details of the **Romanian Tennis Federation** have changed. They are new as following:

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Telephone ++40 2 1 -3245330/40 2 1 -3245329

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The **Czech Republic** has been swept by disastrous floods resulting in immense damage, social as well as material, amounting to billions of dollars. At the same time many tennis centers and clubs including the National Tennis Centre of the Czech Tennis Association have been completely destroyed or severely damaged. Some of the clubs have been wiped off from the tennis map for good. If you would like to help the Czech Tennis Association you can donate to the Tennis SOS floods solidarity account which will be used for the rescue and partial reconstruction of the damaged tennis centers.

SOS account number 19-99399399/0800

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**OBITUARY****HEATHER DALLAS**

Heather Dallas, Wimbledon Championships Press Officer, died from cancer on 23 August at the age of 56. She contributed years ago to the editing of the ETA Flash, former publication of the European Tennis Association. She will be missed by many tennis friends.

**PETER CARTER**

Peter Carter, 37, Swiss Davis Cup Coach since the beginning of the year, died in a car accident during his holiday in South Africa. Previously he had been the Head Men's Coach of Swiss Tennis and coach of Roger Federer. We express our deepest sympathy to his wife and family.

**LUBOMIR BRATOEV**

Lubomir Bratoev, ITF Referee from Bulgaria, died from a heart attack during his sleep when he was working at a Men's Futures Tournament in Istanbul in July. We share his family's sorrow.

