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November 13 - Opening Night

Match #1: Chicago Smash vs. San Diego Aviators, 4:30 p.m. (For The Fans)
Match #2: Orange County Breakers vs. New York Empire, 7:30 p.m. (NBC Sports Network)

November 14

Match #3: Springfield Lasers vs. Chicago Smash, 3 p.m. (For the Fans)

Match #4: San Diego Aviators vs. Orange County Breakers, 6 p.m. (NBC Sports Network)

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November 16

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Match #8: San Diego Aviators vs. Springfield Lasers, 6 p.m. (NBC Sports Network)

November 17

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November 18

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Match #12: New York Empire vs. Orange County Breakers, 6 p.m. (NBC Sports Network)

November 19

Match #13: Orange County Breakers vs. San Diego Aviators, 3 p.m. (For The Fans)
Match #14: Chicago Smash vs. Springfield Lasers, 6 p.m. (For The Fans)

November 20 - USTA Night

Match #15: Springfield Lasers vs. New York Empire, 3 p.m. (For The Fans) Match #16: Chicago Smash vs. Orange County Breakers, 6 p.m. (For The Fans)

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November 22

Match #19: Orange County Breakers vs. Springfield Lasers, 3 p.m. (Tennis Channel) Match #20: San Diego Aviators vs. New York Empire, 6 p.m. (Tennis Channel)

November 23

Match #21: Chicago Smash vs. San Diego Aviators, 3 p.m. (Tennis Channel) Match #22: Orange County Breakers vs. New York Empire, 6 p.m. (Tennis Channel)

November 24

Match #23: San Diego Aviators vs. Orange County Breakers, 3 p.m. (Tennis Channel) Match #24: Springfield Lasers vs. Chicago Smash, 6 p.m. (Tennis Channel)

November 25

Match #25: New York Empire vs. Springfield Lasers, 11 a.m. (Tennis Channel) Match #26: Orange County Breakers vs. Chicago Smash, 2 p.m. (Tennis Channel)

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November 28 - WTT Finals Presented by Guaranteed Rate

Match #31-WTT Finals: #2 seed vs. #1 seed, 3 p.m. (Tennis Channel)

*All times Pacific
*Away team listed first, home team listed second



NOTES



2021 World TeamTennis

World TeamTennis showcases the best in professional tennis, with the innovative team format co-founded by **Billie Jean King** in 1974. Recognized as the leader in professional team tennis competition, WTT features many of the world's best players competing annually for the King Trophy, the league's championship trophy named after King. The co-founder made more sports history in 1984 when she was comissioner of WTT, becoming the first woman comissioner in sports history.

Incredible Innovators

World TeamTennis has always been an innovator in the sport, introducing a number of fan-friendly initiatives playing let serves, timeouts, service clocks, men and women playing equal roles on a team, substitutions, instant replay, on-court coaching, music between points, names on back of players shirts, letting fans keep balls that are hit into the stands, Extended Play and Supertiebreaker. In 2017, WTT introduced on-player microphones, a first for pro tennis competition. In July 2015, World TeamTennis became part of an elite and small list of U.S. pro sports leagues to reach the 40th season milestone, joining the NFL, NBA, NHL and MLB.

Everyone's Equal

WTT is the only sports league in the world where men and women play equal roles. King said: "If you have ever seen a WTT match you have seen my philosophy of life in action — men and women, competing together, on a team and both genders making equal contributions to the result."

Single Site

For the second consecutive season, WTT will play its season at one venue. The Indian Wells Tennis Garden, home of the BNP Paribas Open, will host all matches in 2021 in Stadium 2. The championship match will be played at a neutral site for the third

consecutive year and the 19th time in league history.

Giving Back

WTT supports and sponsors various junior, college and adult initiatives throughout the year. They include: WTT Junior Nationals, San Diego CIF High School WTT League, Volleys Against Violence High School Challenges, Freedoms TeamTennis Challenge and Adult Leagues. World TeamTennis has also given away more than 300,000 junior tennis racquets in the past decade through clinics, WTT matches, and other youth activities. All WTT teams provide free tennis clinics and PlayDays, delivering a message of access and fitness to hundreds of thousands of youth.

Loaded Lineup

This year's player field consists of players who secured Major championships, had success at the US Open and garnered WTT awards last season. The player field includes Male MVP **Taylor Fritz** (San Diego Aviators) along with 2020 WTT Finals MVP **CoCo Vandeweghe** (San Diego Aviators). Three-time Major mixed doubles champion **Desirae Krawczyk** will be making her WTT debut with the Orange County Breakers.

Star-Studded Talent

WTT players in the 2021 field have excelled combined for 12 Major titles in singles, doubles and mixed doubles. Since 1974, WTT has had 44 Tennis Hall of Famers participate. New York Empire's **Kim Clijsters** is the first Hall of Famer to play for the Empire since **Andy Roddick** in 2016.

Hometown Hero

Coachella Valley native **Desirae Krawczyk** will make her World TeamTennis debut less than 10 miles from her hometown. She became the fourth woman in the Open Era to win three Major mixed doubles titles in a calendar year when she clinched the French Open, Wimbledon and US Open. Prior to her professional

success, Krawczyk was a CIF Singles Finalist in 2011 at Palm Desert High School and signed with Arizona State.

Double Duty

Tennis skills isn't the only thing unique about **Kim Clijsters** and **Tatjana Maria**. Both Clijsters and Maria are mothers while juggling the duties of a professional athlete. Clijsters, a former World No. 1 player, is a mother of three children while 2018 Wimbledon doubles quarterfinalist Maria raises two kids.

Fab Five

Along with the defending champion New York Empire, the Orange County Breakers, San Diego Aviators, Springfield Lasers and Chicago Smash will play for the King Trophy. This marks the first time since 1981 where five or fewer teams will play in WTT.

All Around the World

Seven different countries are represented in the 2021 WTT player field. Kim Clijsters, Kirsten Flipkens, (Belgium), Alexa Guarachi (Nov. 20-28), Hans Hach Verdugo, Giuliana Olmos (Mexico) Marcelo Arevalo (El Salvador), Tatjana Maria (Germany) and Aleks Vukic (Australia) come from outside of the United States while the rest of the 21 players are Americans that come from nine different states (Arizona, California, Georgia, North Carolina, Florida, Connecticut, Texas, Ohio, Nevada).

Passing the Torch

Four of the five coaches at WTT this season were former players in the league. Orange County Breakers coach **Rick Leach** won the Kings Trophy as a player in 1996 as a member of the St. Louis Aces. San Diego Aviators coach **John Lloyd** was the third player/coach in WTT history to claim a title, doing so in 1990.







Franchises

Five teams will compete during the 2021 season. The franchises are: Chicago Smash • New York Empire • Orange County Breakers • San Diego Aviators • Springfield Lasers

Team

Each team has a coach and at least four players (five or more players if there are Franchise or Wild Card players on the team). Players are permitted to play in a maximum of three sets per match.

Seasons/Player Qualification

For all players (other than franchise players), a season is defined as either (a) playing in 3 matches for one team, or (b) playing a total of 4 matches in one season regardless of the number of teams. To be eligible for Bonus Money or Awards they must appear on the roster for 80% of a team's matches. All players must participate on their team for 3 matches during the regular season to qualify for participation in the WTT Final.

Match

A match is a contest between two WTT teams, consisting of five sets plus Extended Play (if any) and a Supertiebreaker (if necessary). The sets are men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles and mixed doubles.

Match Order

The home team coach determines the order of sets and turns in the lineup to the head umpire one hour before match start time. Every match includes a halftime break – either after the second or third set.

Scoring

- Scoring is no-ad (first team to win four points wins the game). Game scoring is 15, 30, 40, game.
- The receiver chooses which side he/she will receive serve should the game reach three points each. The serve is always gender-to-gender at 40-all (deuce) in mixed doubles
- All games, sets and Supertiebreakers are won by a margin of one point
- Each game counts as one point in the team's cumulative match score.
- Teams change sides after every four games.
- · Let serves are played.

Set

The first team to reach five games wins a set. If the set is tied at 4-4, a 9-point tiebreaker is played.

Tiebreaker

If a set reaches 4-4, a 9-point tiebreaker is played to decide the winner of the set. The first team to reach points wins the tiebreaker. Players change sides after four points. The tiebreaker counts as one game and decides the outcome of the set.

Extended Play

If the team ahead in the cumulative score wins the final game of the last set, then that team is the winner. However, if the trailing team wins the final set, the match is sent into Extended Play and continues until a) the leading team wins one game, or b) the trailing team ties the match score.

Supertiebreaker

If the match is tied at the conclusion of five sets $\ensuremath{\mathsf{OR}}$ if the trailing team ties the score in

Extended Play, a 13-point Supertiebreaker, involving the same fifth set, decides the outcome of the entire match. A coin toss determines the choice of side, server and receiver. Players change sides after six points. The first team to win seven points is awarded a single game and the match.

Service Clock

An on-court service clock counts down 25 seconds from the end of a point to the next serve. The first-time violation per set is a warning and additional violations will result in point penalties.

Timeouts

As with other professional league team sports, WTT features the use of timeouts during match play. Each team will be allotted two timeouts per set with an additional timeout being awarded to each team if a match goes into Extended Play. Timeouts will be twenty (:20) seconds in length and do not carry over between sets. Only the coach may call a timeout. Coaches or players may enter the court area during these breaks in action.

Substitution

A coach may substitute one player, per set, per gender at the conclusion of a point. If a player is substituted, he/she may not return to the match during that set.

Fan Experience

Crowds are encouraged to be vocal about great play (while still being respectful of all players) and are allowed to enter/exit the stadium during play without having to wait for a changeover. Often between games, music is played and the DJ fires up the crowd.

DIFFERENCES BETWEEN TRADITIONAL TENNIS AND WTT

Match	Traditional Best 2-out-of-3 or 3-out-of-5 sets	WTT Aggregate scoring of games played during five unique sets (men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles, mixed doubles)
Game	Singles - Advantage scoring Doubles - No-ad scoring	No-ad scoring, with receiver's choice for duece points with the exception of mixed doubles, in which case gender serves to same gender
Set	First to 6, win by 2 games, tie-break at 6-all	First to 5, tie-break at 4-all
Tiebreaker	13-point tie-break: First to 7, win by 2	9-point tie-break: First to 5 wins
Extended Play	N/A	If trailing team wins final set, play continues until leading team wins 1 game or trailing team ties match score
Supertiebreake	r N/A	If score is tied at conclusion of 5 sets, the competitors from 5th set play

Lets A serve that hits the net before falling into correct service box is not played is

re-served

A serve that hits the net before falling onto correct service box is in play

a 13-point tie-break (first to 7) to determine match winner











Kim Clijsters Belgium 4th Season • 38 Tennis Hall of Fame Inductee



Chirs Eubanks USA 1st Season • 25 2x All-American at Georgia Tech



Marcos Giron (Nov. 20-28) USA 1st Season • 28 2014 NCAA singles champion at UCLA



Kirsten Flipkens Belgium 3rd Season • 35 2013 Wimbledon singles semifinalist



Hans Hach Verdugo (Nov. 13-19) Mexico 1st Season • 32 2021 Los Cabos Champion with John Isner



Coach Luke Jensen USA 11th Season 1993 French Open doubles champion





Amanda Anisimova (Nov. 13-20) USA 2nd Season • 20 2019 French Open semifinalist



Steve Johnson USA 7th Season • 31 2021 US Open doubles semifinalist



Austin Krajicek (Nov. 20-28) **USA** 2nd Season • 31 Four-time winner on ATP Tour



Desirae Krawczyk (Nov. 18-28) USA 1st Season • 27 3x Major mixed doubles champion



Nate Lammons (Nov. 13-14) USA 1st Season • 28 11x doubles champion on ATP Challenger Tour



Tatjana Maria Germany 2nd Season • 34 2018 Wimbledon doubles quarterfinalist



Coach Rick Leach USA 21st Season Has 46 ATP doubles titles





Will Blumberg USA 1st Season • 23 First 10x All-American in ITA



Caroline Dolehide USA 2nd Season • 23 2021 Wimbledon doubles semifinalist



Taylor Fritz (Nov. 13-19) USA 5th Season • 23 Indian Wells semifinalist



CoCo Vandeweghe USA 11th Season • 29 2x Major semifinalist



Aleks Vukic (Nov. 20-28) Australia 1st Season • 25 2x ITA All-American



Coach John Lloyd **USA** 15th Season Has one singles title and two doubles titles from the ATP



PHOTO ROSTER







Marcelo Arevalo El Salvador 2nd Season • 30 US Open mixed doubles finalist



Asia Muhammad USA 5th Season • 30 2020 US Open doubles semifinalist



Denis Kudla (Nov. 22-28) USA 2nd Season • 29 7x winner on the ATP Challenger



Giuliana
Olmos
(Nov. 22-28)
Mexico
1st Season • 28
2021 US Open
mixed doubles
finalist



Mackenzie McDonald (Nov. 13-21) USA 2nd Season • 26 3x Singles All-American at UCLA



Caty McNally (Nov. 13-18) USA 2nd Season • 19 US Open doubles finalist



Coach John-Laffnie de Jager South Africa 22nd Season Won seven WTP Tour doubles titles





Alexa Guarachi (Nov. 20-28) Chile 1st Season • 30 2021 US Open doubles semifinalist



Sloane Stephens USA 7th Season • 28 2017 US Open Champion



Nick Monroe USA 5th Season • 39 Holds four ATP doubles titles



Frances Tiafoe (Nov. 13-18) USA 4th Season • 23 Made US Open Round of 16 in 2021



Tommy Paul (Nov. 20-28) USA 3rd Season • 24 2020 French Open doubles quarterfinalist



Sabrina
Santamaria
USA
7th Season • 28
2017 US Open
Champion



Coach Kamau Murray USA 2nd Season Coached Sloane Stephens to the US Open title in 2017





Quick Facts Founded: 2016

Team History: New York Empire 2016-present

Based In: New York City Colors: Navy Blue, Orange, White

Owner: NY TeamTennis LLC represented by Michael Coakley

Head Coach: Luke Jensen Championships: 1 (2020) Mascot: Hudson

Website: nyempiretennis.com



Kim Clijsters • Belgium • 4th Season • Age: 38

Career Highlights

- Tennis Hall of Fame inductee in 2017
- Reached World No. 1 ranking in both singles and doubles, holding both rankings simultaneously in 2003
- Has won 41 singles titles and 11 doubles titles on the WTA Tour

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles W	'11
French Open	Singles SF	'01, '03
Wimbledon	Singles SF	'03, '06
US Open	Singles W	'05,'09, '10

WTT History

2020-New York Empire (W) 2010-New York Sportimes 2009-St. Louis Aces

WTT Notes

- Second Hall of Famer on the New York Empire in the last six years (Andy Roddick, 2016)
- Led WTT women's players in game winning percentage (30-15, 66.7%) in 2020
- Led WTT mixed doubles players in game winning percentage (35-21, 62.5%) in 2020

Personal

Father, Leo, was a soccer coach and Belgium's 1988 Player of the Year (deceased January 2009); mother, Els, was a top gymnast in Belgium; has a younger sister, Elke (was ITF Junior Doubles World Champion)... Married in July 2007 to retired professional basketball player and current coach Brian Lynch; mother to three: Jada (born February 2008), Jack (born in October 2013) and Blake (born in October 2016) ... Ideal getaway is family holiday in mountains or water sports at beach.



Chris Eubanks • USA • 1st Season • Age: 25

Career Highlights

- Fifth player in Georgia Tech history to be named a two-time All-American
- Two-time Atlantic Coast Conference Player of the Year, the fifth player in conference history to reach that mark
- Qualified five times for Majors

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles 1R	'19, '20
French Open	Singles Q2	'20
Wimbledon	Singles Q2	'19
US Open	Singles 1R	'17, '19, '21

WTT History

2021-New York Empire

WTT Notes

- Fourth Georgia Tech alum to play WTT (Kevin King, Bryan Shelton, Kenny Thorne)
- Undefeated against WTT teammate Marcos Giron on the ATP Tour
- · Making third appearance in Indian Wells

Personal

Started playing tennis at age 6 when his mom fed him balls at a local park... Father, Andres; mother, Rosanna; sister, Gabriela... Idols growing up included Pete Sampras, Andre Agassi and Roger Federer... Short-term goals are to break into Top 50, play in second week of Grand Slams and contend for ATP Tour titles... Enjoys being outdoors and playing other sports, especially skiing and mountain biking.







Marcos Giron (Nov. 20-28) • USA • 1st Season • Age: 28

Career Highlights

- 2014 NCAA singles champion at UCLA
- Broke the top 60 rankings on the ATP Tour in October 2021
- Reached the quarterfinals or semifinals in his final threel ATP 250 events in 2021

Best Results at Majors

Singles 1R	'20, '21
Singles 3R	'21
Singles 2R	'21
Singles 2R	'20, '21
	Singles 3R Singles 2R

WTT History

2021-New York Empire

WTT Notes

- One of four NCAA singles champions in the last 10 years in the field
- Former teammate of Springfield Lasers' Mackenzie McDonald at UCLA during the 2013-14 season
- · Making sixth appearance in Indian Wells

Personal

Started playing tennis at age 6 when his mom fed him balls at a local park... Father, Andres; mother, Rosanna; sister, Gabriela... Idols growing up included Pete Sampras, Andre Agassi and Roger Federer... Short-term goals are to break into Top 50, play in second week of Grand Slams and contend for ATP Tour titles... Enjoys being outdoors and playing other sports, especially skiing and mountain biking.



Kirsten Flipkens • Belgium • 3rd Season • Age: 35

Career Highlights

- Has over 500 singles wins on the WTA Tour
- Owns five WTA doubles titles and one singles title
- Last Belgian to reach the Wimbledon women's singles semifinals

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles 4R	'13
French Open	Doubles SF	'19
Wimbledon	Singles SF	'13
US Open	Singles 3R	'09

WTT History

2019-New York Empire 2017-New York Empire

WTT Notes

- Teams up with fellow countrywoman Kim Clijsters for the first time
- Served as the primary women's singles player for the Empire in 2019
- · Making 12th appearance in Indian Wells

Personal

Father's name is Marino; mother's name is Carry; began playing tennis at age 4 after seeing her parents play for fun at a local club... Personal strengths are her slice and being creative on court... Best tennis memory so far is reaching the semifinals at 2013 Wimbledon... Tennis idols growing up were Marcelo Rios and Steffi Graf... Speaks English, Dutch, French and German... Nickname is Flipper... In one word, would describe herself as loyal







Hans Hach Verdugo (Nov. 13-19) • Mexico • 1st Season • Age: 32

Career Highlights

- Four-time doubles winner on the ATP Challenger Tour
- · Won first ATP doubles title earlier in 2021
- Claimed 19 doubles titles on the ITF Futures Tour

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open N/A French Open N/A Wimbledon N/A

US Open Doubles R64 '18

WTT History

2021-New York Empire

WTT Notes

- First WTT male player from Mexico since Jorge Lozano in 1991
- · Making first appearance in Indian Wells
- Never faced any male WTT player on the ATP Tour in singles

Personal

Won first ATP Tour doubles title in 2021 with John Isner on his home soil in Los Cabos... Helped Mexico reach the Group II quarterfinals (2016) and the Group II semifinals (2017) at the Davis Cup... Has reached the quarterfinals, semifinals or finals in four of his last six doubles events on the ATP Tour... Partnered with Andreas Siljestrom in his first Grand Slam appearance at the US Open in 2018.



Coach Luke Jensen • USA • 11th Season (3rd Season as Coach)

Career Highlights

- 2x All-American at USC
- 1993 French Open Doubles Champion
- Owned a 106-57 record as head coach for Syracuse women's tennis, ranking first in program history with a .650 winning percentage.

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Mixed Doubles F '96
French Open Doubles W '93
Wimbledon Mixed Doubles QF '92, '96
US Open Doubles SF '95, '97

WTT History

2020-New York Empire (W) (Coach)
2019-New York Empire (Coach)
2002-Hartford FoxForce
2001-Hartford FoxForce
2000-St. Louis Aces
1998-Delaware Smash
1997-Delaware Smash
1996-Atlanta Thunder
1995-Kansas City Explorers
1994-Kansas City Explorers

WTT Notes

- Lifted the Empire to the championship in his second year with the franchise
- Seeking to become the second coach in the last four years to win back-to-back WTT titles
- Holds an 18-14 record with the Empire heading into the 2021 season

Personal

Won Boys 18s Nationals, Claycourts and Hardcourts in U.S. in 1984... Won the 1993 French Open doubles championship... Has provided color commentary for ESPN and ESPN2 broadcasts on the ATP Tour...With brother Murphy, often performs musically on stage at various player parties on Tour... Hosted several ATP Tour Kids' Days and judged SMASH Tennis Air Guitar contests throughout 1995-96.





Quick Facts Founded: 2003

Team History: Newport Beach Breakers 2003-11, Austin Aces 2014-15,

Orange County Breakers 2012-13, 2016-present **Based In:** Newport Beach, California **Colors:** Blue, Lime Green, Black, White

Owner: Eric Davidson Head Coach: Rick Leach Championships: 2 (2004, 2017) Website: breakerstennis.com



Career Highlights

- One of eight players in the WTA ranked in the top 100 that are 20 or younger
- Youngest French Open semifinalist in over a decade in 2019
- · Won her first title in 2019 in Bogota

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles 4R	'19
French Open	Singles SF	'19
Wimbledon	Singles 2R	'19
US Open	Singles 3R	'20

WTT History

2019-San Diego Aviators

WTT Notes

- Held a perfect 1.000 game winning percentage in women's doubles in 2019
- Played WTT players Caroline Dolehide and Sloane Stephens on the WTA Tour, winning both matches
- · Second-youngest player in the 2021 field

Personal

Mother is Olga, who was born and raised in Moscow; sister is Maria Anisimova-Egee and lives in New York... Speaks English and Russian... Born in New Jersey but moved to Miami at age 3... Started playing tennis after going to her sister's practices every day and eventually developed a passion for the sport... Tennis idols growing up were Serena Williams and Maria Sharapova.. Off the court enjoys music, running, writing, jet skiing and going to the beach... Has one dog named Miley



Steve Johnson • USA • 7th Season • Age: 31

Career Highlights

- Had a career-high ranking of No. 21 and became the No. 1 American during 2016 season
- Won four NCAA Team titles with USC, ending career with 72 straight singles wins
- Two-time US Open doubles semifinalist

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles 3R	'15, '16
French Open	Singles 3R	4x
Wimbledon	Singles 4R	'16
US Open	Doubles SF	'15, '21

WTT History

2020-Orange County Breakers 2019-Orange County Breakers 2018-New York Empire 2017-Orange County Breakers (W) 2016-Orange County Breakers 2013-Orange County Breakers

WTT Notes

- Won WTT Male Rookie of the Year in 2013
- Helped the Breakers to a finalist finish in 2016 and the WTT title in 2017
- From Redondo Beach, California, just over 130 miles from Indian Wells

Personal

Nickname is Stevie... Began playing tennis at age 2 by using balloons and beach balls... Father, Steve, was a tennis coach before passing away in May 2017; mother, Michelle; sister, Alison... Credits his father as inspiration for his success: "He taught me pretty much everything I know."... Idolized Pete Sampras and Andre Agassi growing up... Wife, Kendall, gave birth to their first child, Emma, Dec. 31, 2020.





Austin Krajicek (Nov. 20-28) • USA • 2nd Season • Age: 31

Career Highlights

- Four-time All-American and 2011 NCAA doubles champion at Texas A&M
- · Won four doubles titles on the ATP Tour
- · US Open mixed doubles semifinalist

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Doubles 3R '20
French Open Doubles 2R '15, '20, '21
Wimbledon Doubles 2R '14
US Open Mixed Doubles SF '21

WTT History

2020-Orange County Breakers

WTT Notes

- · Making fifth appearance in Indian Wells
- Partnered with Breakers' teammate Steve Johnson at the ATP Masters 1000 in Cincinnati the previous two years, reaching the semifinals and finals
- Only 2021 Olympic doubles semifinalist in the 2021 player field

Personal

Began playing tennis at age 5 with his father, Rob... Mother, Sherry, is a former pro water skier and now a school nurse... Idols growing up included Pete Sampras and Roger Federer... Won 2011 NCAA doubles title for Texas A&M University with Jeff Dadamo... If he wasn't a tennis player, he would be a golfer... Also enjoys fishing and hunting... Goal is to "keep getting better one step at a time."... Trains near Los Angeles at the USTA facility in Carson, California.



Desirae Krawczyk (Nov. 18-28) • USA • 1st Season • Age: 27

Career Highlights

- Became the fourth woman in the Open Era to win three Major mixed doubles titles in a calendar year
- · Holds six doubles titles
- CIF Singles Finalist in 2011 at Palm Desert High School

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Mixed Doubles SF '21
French Open Mixed Doubles W '21
Wimbledon Mixed Doubles W '21
US Open Mixed Doubles W '21

WTT History

2021-Orange County Breakers

WTT Notes

- · Coachella Valley native
- First US Open mixed doubles champion to play WTT in the same year since Martina Hingis in 2017
- · Playing WTT following the WTA Finals

Personal

Introduced to tennis by her father, started playing at 4 years old... Didn't idolize a specific player growing up, but was a fan of all the greats... Favorite tournaments are Acapulco, Indian Wells and Wimbledon.. Enjoys cooking, baking, adventuring/being outdoors, and spending time with friends and family.



Nate Lammons (Nov. 13-14) • USA • 1st Season • Age: 28

Career Highlights

- 11x doubles champion on the ATP Challenger Tour
- · Won nine ITF Future tours titles
- Former walk-on at Southern Methodist University

WTT History

2021-Orange County Breakers

WTT Notes

- · Only player from Dallas, Texas in the field
- Has never faced a male WTT player in the 2021 field on the ATP Tour
- · First career appearance in Indian Wells

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open N/A French Open N/A

Wimbledon Doubles 1R '21 US Open Doubles 2R '18, '21

Personal

Speaks English and Spanish... Father, James; mother, Debra; brother, Noah; sister, Leah... Started playing at age 9 shortly after family moved to The Woodlands, TX... Trained at several academies in the Houston, TX area, most notably Houston Tennis Academy... Played college tennis for Southern Methodist University from 2013-16. Graduated with degree in mechanical engineering... Idolised Andre Agassi while growing up.







Tatjana Maria (Nov. 21-28) • Germany • 2nd Season • Age: 34

Career Highlights

- 2018 Wimbledon doubles guarterfinalist
- Owns one singles title and four doubles titles on the WTA Tour
- Accumulated 32 career wins over top 10 ranked opponents

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Singles 2R* '09, '16
French Open Doubles 3R '16
Wimbledon Doubles QF '18
US Open Singles 2R* '12, '17, '18
*Also made the second round in doubles

WTT History

2018-New York Empire

WTT Notes

- · Announced her arrival Nov. 9
- Reunites with 2018 WTT teammate Steve Johnson
- · Only German player in the field

Personal

Husband and coach is Charles Edouard Maria (married April 8, 2013 – formerly Tatjana Malek); daughter, Charlotte, was born on December 20, 2013 ... During maternity leave, switched to one-handed backhand ... In April 2020, announced pregnancy with second child – along with plans to make another comeback following the birth ... Father, Heinrich, is deceased; mother is Margit; brothers are Daniel and Matthias ... Began playing at age 4 when introduced to tennis by parents ... Speaks German and English ... Favorite foods are Mexican and Italian ... Other sports interest is handball.



Coach Rick Leach • USA • 21st Season (10th Season as Coach)

Career Highlights

- 5x Major doubles title winner
- First four-time NCAA Division I

All-American in singles and doubles at USC

 Won 46 career doubles titles on the ATP Tour

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Doubles W	'88, '89, '00
French Open	Doubles F	'91
Wimbledon	Doubles W	'90
US Open	Doubles W	'93

WTT History

2020-Orange County Breakers (Coach)

2019-Orange County Breakers (Coach)

2018-Orange County Breakers (Coach)

2017-Orange County Breakers (W) (Coach)

2016-Orange County Breakers (Coach)

2015-Austin Aces (Coach)

2014-Austin Aces (Coach)

2011-St. Louis Aces (Coach)

2010-St. Louis Aces (Coach) 2007-Newport Beach Breakers

2006-Newport Beach Breakers

2000-Newport Beach Breaker

2005-Springfield Lasers

2003-Kansas City Explorers

2002-Kansas City Explorers

2001-St. Louis Aces

1998-St. Louis Aces

1997-St. Louis Aces

1996-St. Louis Aces

1994-Idaho Sneakers

1991-Newport Beach Dukes

WTT Notes

- 2x WTT Coach of the Year (2015, 2017)
- Won WTT as a player in 1996 with the St. Louis Aces
- Holds a 54-35 coaching record with the Breakers heading into the 2021 WTT season

Personal

Became the first four-time Division I All-America in singles and doubles at the University of Southern California, where he played for his father (Dick)... Won the 1986 NCAA doubles title (w/Pawsat) and 1987 crown (w/Melville)... Wife, Christi (married Dec. 26, 1992); daughter, Paulina Christine (born Feb. 23, 1994)... Has a 7-3 career Davis Cup record (7-2 in doubles) in nine ties.





Quick Facts Founded: 1995

Team History: New York OTBzz 1995-98, Schenectady County Electrics 1999-00, New York Buzz 2001-10, New York Hamptons 2000-02, New York Sportimes (2003-13), San

Diego Aviators 2014-present Based In: Carlsbad, California Colors: Thunderbird Red and White

Owner: Fred Luddy (Majority) and Jack McGrory (Minority)

Head Coach: John Lloyd Championships: 3 (2005, 2008, 2016) Website: sandiegoaviators.com



Will Blumberg • USA • 1st Season • Age: 23

Career Highlights

- First 10-time All-American in ITA History
- Four-time All-Atlantic Coast Conference
- 2017 NCAA singles runner-up and NCAA Tournament Most Outstanding Player

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open N/A French Open N/A Wimbledon N/A

US Open Doubles 1R '17

WTT History

2021-San Diego Aviators

WTT Notes

- One of three players from the University of North Carolina to have played WTT (Nick Monroe and Tripp Phillips)
- 1-0 against WTT players, defeating Denis Kudla in Binghamton on the ATP Challenger Tour in 2017
- Only WTT player in the field to have played collegiate tennis during the 2020-21 season

Personal

Son of Amy and David Blumberg... Has two brothers... His father played tennis at Colgate... Chose UNC for the team, coaches and feel of the school... The best part of being a UNC tennis player was wearing Carolina blue... Favorite tennis memory is winning Junior Davis Cup for the U.S... Dream doubles partner is Pat McNally... Favorite post-match meal is chicken fingers and fries... Favorite sport other than tennis is golf... Likes to spend time hanging out with friends and family outside of tennis.



Caroline Dolehide • USA • 2nd Season • Age: 23

Career Highlights

- Two-time Major doubles semifinalist, most recently at Wimbledon in 2021
- Won first career doubles title in 2021 in Monterrey
- Reached the top 25 doubles rankings for the first time earlier this year

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Doubles QF	'20
French Open	Doubles 2R	'20, '21
Wimbledon	Doubles SF	'21
US Open	Doubles SF	'19

WTT History

2020-Philadelphia Freedoms

WTT Notes

- Helped Philadelphia to a 12-2 record in 2020, the third straight season the Freedoms had double-digit wins
- Fifth in 2020 in women's doubles winning percentage (48-42, 53.3%)
- Best finish in Indian Wells came in 2018, reaching the round of 32 at the BNP Paribas Open

Personal

Coached by Jorge Todero ... Started playing tennis aged 5... Hobbies include music and traveling... Was committed to attend UCLA before deciding to turn pro... Comes from a family of tennis players - older sister, Courtney, won a NCAA title with her team at UCLA and has coached women's tennis at the college ranks at University of Texas and is now coaching at Georgetown for men's and women's tennis







Taylor Fritz (Nov. 13-19) • USA • 5th Season • Age: 23

Career Highlights

- Currently the No. 1 ranked American
- Coming off a semifinals in Indian Wells and a quarterfinals run in Paris in his last two ATP Masters 1000 events
- Named ATP Newcomer of the Year in 2016

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles 3R	'19, '20, '21
French Open	Singles 3R	'20
Wimbledon	Singles 3R	'21
US Open	Singles 3R	'18, '20

WTT History

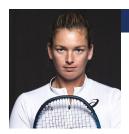
2020-Philadelphia Freedoms 2019-San Diego Aviators 2018-San Diego Aviators 2015-San Diego Aviators

WTT Notes

- Male Season MVP in 2020
- Led all players in winning percentage (104-76, 57.8%) in 2020
- Native of Rancho Palos Verdes, California, about 150 miles away from Indian Wells

Personal

Began playing tennis at age 2 because both parents played... Father, Guy, is a tennis coach; mother, Kathy May, was a Top-10 player on women's tour; brothers, Chris and Kyle... Fan of Manchester United and Los Angeles Chargers (NFL)... During COVID-19 pandemic, teamed with social media influencer Addison Rae to win a Nintendo Mario Tennis tournament and donate \$1 million to No Kid Hungry, which works to end child hunger in USA.



CoCo Vandeweghe • USA • 11th Season • Age: 29

Career Highlights

- 2018 US Open doubles champion with Ashleigh Barty
- Holds two career singles titles and four career doubles titles
- Has won over 300 singles matches, winning over half of her career matches

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles SF	'17
French Open	Singles 2R	'14, '16, '18
Wimbledon	Singles QF	'15, '17
US Open	Doubles W	'18

WTT History

2020-New York Empire (W) 2019-San Diego Aviators 2018-San Diego Aviators (WC) 2017-San Diego Aviators 2016-Philadelphia Freedoms 2015-Philadelphia Freedoms 2013-Orange County Breakers 2012-Sacramento Capitals 2011-Boston Lobsters 2010-Boston Lobsters 2009-Sacramento Capitals

WTT Notes

- Clinched the WTT Finals for the New York
 Empire with a huge forehand winner and earned
 Finals MVP honors in 2020
- Named to 2020 WTT All-Star Match
- · Gained WTT Franchise Player status in 2015

Personal

Mother's name is Tauna (represented USA at Olympics for swimming in 1976 and volleyball in 1984); grandfather's name is Ernie (played for New York Knicks in 1950s); uncle's name is Kiki (general manager of NBA team the Denver Nuggets and a former UCLA basketball player).







Aleks Vukic (Nov. 20-28) • Australia • 1st Season • Age: 25

Career Highlights

- Three-time ITA All-American from the University of Illinois
- 2017 Big Ten Conference Athlete of the Year
- Became the first player at Illinois to win 21-straight dual singles matches in 2021

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Singles 1R* '21
French Open Singles 1R '20
Wimbledon Singles Q1 '21
US Open N/A '21

*Also made the first round in mixed doubles in the same year

WTT History

2021-San Diego Aviators

WTT Notes

- Second Australian to play WTT in the last three years (Nick Kyrgios, 2019)
- Has never faced any player in the 2021 player field on the ATP Tour
- Making second appearance in Indian Wells in 2021

Personal

Nickname is Vuki... Speaks English and Serbo-Croatian... Parents, Rad and Ljiljana, are computer engineers; brother, Vlad is in private equity... Family emigrated to Australia from Montenegro, fleeing the war in the 1990s... Mother and brother left and father later escaped. Parents came to Australia with nothing and worked their way up... Studied finance and played college tennis at University of Illinois from 2015-18... Followed in footsteps of brother, Vlad, who played tennis casually and is 6 years older... Played football and tennis until age of 13, when he chose to pursue tennis full-time... Says his motivation is "the aspect of competing and being so good at your craft. It's the 1 v 1 part of tennis that you don't get anywhere else. It's insane what you feel on court. You're in your own world when you're out there. As long as I can feel that, then I'm happy."



John Lloyd • USA • 15th Season (13th Season As Coach)

Career Highlights

- Captained British Davis Cup team from 2006-10
- Claimed one singles and two doubles titles on the ATP Tour
- Serves as a commendator and analyst for BBC's tennis coverage

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Singles F '77
French Open Mixed Doubles W '82
Wimbledon Mixed Doubles W '83, '84
US Open Singles/Doubles QF '84

WTT History

2020-San Diego Aviators (Coach)

2019-San Diego Aviators (Coach)

2018-San Diego Aviators (Coach)

2017-San Diego Aviators (Coach) 2016-San Diego Aviators (W) (Coach)

2010-Sail Diego Aviators (VV) (Coach)

2015-San Diego Aviators (Coach)

1994-Phoenix Smash

1993-Phoenix Smash

1992-Los Angeles Strings (Player/Coach)

1991-Los Angeles Strings (Player/Coach)

1990-Los Angeles Strings (W) (Player/Coach)

1989-Los Angeles Strings (Player/Coach)

1988-Los Angeles Strings (Player/Coach)

1987-Los Angeles Strings (Player/Coach)

WTT Notes

- Earned WTT Coach of the Year honors in 1990 and 2016
- Third player/coach in WTT history to claim a title in 1990
- Has led the Aviators to three playoff appearances, including two WTT finals.

Personal

Lives in Pacific Palisades, California, with his wife, Deborah, and two children, Aiden and Hayley... Younger brother of David, a former professional player and businessman, and Tony... Was married to former women's World No. 1 Chris Evert from 1979-87... Alongside his brother, David, in 1978, was part of the first British team to reach the Davis Cup final since 1937 (I. to United States 4-1).





Quick Facts Founded: 1996

Team History: Springfield Lasers 1996-present

Based In: Springfield, Missouri

Stadium: Mediacom Stadium at Cooper Tennis Complex

Colors: Kingfisher Daisy and Deep Sky Blue
Alternate: Han Violet-Blue and Bright Turquoise
Owner: Springfield-Greene County Park Board
Head Coach: John-Laffnie de Jager
Championships: 2 (2018, 2019)

Website: springfieldlasers.com



Marcelo Arevalo • El Salvador • 2nd Season • Age: 30

Career Highlights

- · US Open mixed doubles finalist
- Holds two doubles titles (Los Cabos 2018
 Albert 2021)
- and Winston-Salem 2021)
- Reached two ATP Masters 1000 doubles semifinals in 2021 (Rome and Cincinnati)

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Doubles QF '20, '21 French Open Doubles 3R '18, '21 Wimbledon Doubles 2R '18, '19 US Open Mixed Doubles F '21

WTT History

2020-Washington Kastles

WTT Notes

- Only Salvadoran to play WTT in league history
- First US Open mixed doubles runner-up to play WTT in the same year since CoCo Vandeweghe in 2016
- Led Washington Kastles in games played (228) and games won (113) as a rookie in 2020

Personal

Nicknamed is Chelo... Began playing tennis at age 8 because his father used to play on the weekends... Father, Rafael, is a doctor; mother, Sofia; brother, Rafael, is a former ATP player; sister, Ericka, is a businesswoman... Idol growing up was Roger Federer... Played college tennis at University of Tulsa for 2 seasons (2010-11)... Enjoys racing cars and riding his motorcycle... If he wasn't a tennis player, he would have liked to have been a race driver.



Denis Kudla (Nov. 22-28) • USA • 2nd Season • Age: 29

Career Highlights

- Seven-time ATP Challenger Tour singles champion
- Had best career-finish at Wimbledon in 2021, advancing to the Round of 32
- Held a career-high ranking of 53 in 2015

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Singles 2R* '16, '18, '19
French Open Doubles 2R '16
Wimbledon Singles 4R '21
US Open Singles 3R '19
*Also made the 2R in doubles in

2019 **Personal**

Moved with parents from Ukraine to Virginia as a one-year-old... Wife, Tyler; father, Vladimir; mother, Lucy; brother, Nikita... Began playing tennis at age 7 and went to Junior Tennis Champions Center in College Park, MD, USA, where he was coached by Frank Salazar... Home-schooled after 9th grade... Expressed interest in attending University of Southern California before turning pro... Dream opponent is Andre Agassi.

WTT History

2015-Washington Kastles (W)

WTT Notes

- Won a championship with the Washington Kastles in his first WTT season
- Helped lead the Kastles in men'd doubles winning percentage in 2015 (67-40, GW/GL, .626)
- Has four ATP Tour wins against WTT players in the 2021 field







Mackenzie McDonald (Nov. 13-21) • USA • 2nd Season • Age: 26

Career Highlights

- Had first career finalist finish on the ATP Tour in Washington earlier in 2021
- NCAA singles and doubles national champion at UCLA in 2016
- Defeated two top 100 players to qualify for 2013 Cincinnati Masters at 18

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles 4R	'21
French Open	Singles 2R	'20, '21
Wimbledon	Singles 4R	'18
US Open	Doubles QF	'20

WTT History

2018-Orange County Breakers

WTT Notes

- Was a substitute player for Orange County Breakers in WTT debut
- One of two former UCLA All-Americans in the field (Marcos Giron)
- Born in Piedmont, California, less than 500 miles away from Indian Wells.

Personal

Nickname is Mackie... Began playing tennis at age 3 with his dad... Father, Michael, is an oral surgeon; mother, Vivian Young; sister, Dana Jones, was a gymnast and graduated from UCLA... Coached as a young child by Rosie Bareis, then by former Top 10 player Wayne Ferreira from age of 11... Attended Piedmont High School in California -- same high school as former World No. 4 Brad Gilbert... If he wasn't playing on tour, he would be finishing his studies at UCLA... Idolised Roger Federer, NBA legend Kobe Bryant and former UCLA basketball coach John Wooden growing up.



Caty McNally (Nov. 13-18) • USA • 2nd Season • Age: 19

Career Highlights

- US Open doubles finalist
- Obtained a career-high doubles ranking of 20 earlier in 2021
- · Holds four career doubles titles

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Doubles QF	'20, '21
French Open	Doubles 3R	'20
Wimbledon	Doubles 3R	'21
US Open	Doubles F	'21

WTT History

2020-Springfield Lasers

WTT Notes

- Second US Open women's doubles finalist in the last three seasons to play WTT in the same year (Nicole Melichar, 2019)
- Birthday occurs during WTT season (November 20)
- Youngest WTT player in 2020 and 2021

Personal

Her mother, Lynn Nabors-McNally developed her game and continues to coach Caty... Born, raised and trains in Cincinnati, Ohio... Father's name is John McNally Sr. and brother's name is John McNally Jr. (plays collegiately at Ohio State University)... Has a Shih-Poo named Stella... Hobbies include expressing her creativity through drawing and other art forms, hiking/adventures with friends, traveling to new countries and cities, Netflix, TikTok



Asia Muhammad • USA • 5th Season • Age: 30

Career Highlights

- 2020 US Open doubles semifinalist
- · Holds six doubles titles on the WTA Tour
- Has reached the quarterfinals or semifinals in seven WTA Masters 1000 and Major tournaments

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Doubles 3R	'19
French Open	Doubles QF	'20
Wimbledon	Doubles 3R	'21
US Open	Doubles SF	'20

WTT History

2020-Vegas Rollers 2019-Vegas Rollers 2015-Philadelphia Freedoms 2012-Sacramento Capitals

WTT Notes

- Led the Rollers in mixed doubles game winning percentage (11-12, GW/GL, .478) in 2019
- Two-time WTT teammate of San Diego's CoCo Vandeweghe
- Only WTT player in the field from Nevada

Personal

Trains in Las Vegas at the No Quit Academy, als at USTA center in Carson ... Mother's name is Faye; father's name is Ronald Holmes (basketball coach); has two brothers, Shabazz (plays in NBA for Minnesota Timberwolves), and Rashad (plays basketball for the University of Miami) ... Started playing tennis at age 8 ... Tennis idol growing up were Williams sisters and Andre Agassi







Giuliana Olmos (Nov. 22-28) • Mexico • 1st Season • Age: 28

Career Highlights

- · 2021 US Open mixed doubles finalist
- · Owns three WTA doubles titles
- Former ITA All-American at the University of Southern California

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Doubles QF	'21
French Open	Mixed Doubles SF	'21
Wimbledon	Doubles 3R	'21
US Open	Mixed Doubles SF	'21

WTT History

2021-Springfield Lasers

WTT Notes

- · First female player from Mexico in WTT history
- One of three players from the US Open mixed doubles finals participating in WTT (Marcelo Arevalo and Desirae Krawczyk)
- One of three WTT players from the University of Southern California (Steve Johnson and Sabrina Santamaria)

Personal

Trains in Las Vegas at the No Quit Academy, als at USTA center in Carson ... Mother's name is Faye; father's name is Ronald Holmes (basketball coach); has two brothers, Shabazz (plays in NBA for Minnesota Timberwolves), and Rashad (plays basketball for the University of Miami) ... Started playing tennis at age 8 ... Favorite surface is hard ... Tennis idol growing up were Williams sisters and Andre Agassi ... Also enjoys shopping, watching other sports especially basketball, taking hikes, spending time with friends, and eating at good restaurants ... Favorite tournament is US Open.



John-Laffnie De Jager • South Africa • 22nd Season (15th Season As Coach)

Career Highlights

- Played and captained South Africa's Davis Cup team for nine years
- Olympic doubles semifinalist at 2000 Sydney Games
- · Won seven WTP Tour doubles titles

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Mixed Doubles F	'97
French Open	Mixed Doubles F	'95
Wimbledon	Doubles SF	' 00
US Open	Doubles SF	'98, '01
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WTT History 2020-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2019-Springfield Lasers (Coach) (W) 2018-Springfield Lasers (Coach) (W) 2017-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2016-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2015-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2014-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2013-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2012-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2011-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2010-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2009-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2008-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2007-Springfield Lasers (Coach) 2003-St. Louis Aces 2001-Delaware Smash

2001-Delaware Smash 1999-Kansas City Explorers 1998-Kansas City Explorers 1997-Kansas City Explorers 1996-Delaware Smash 1994-New Jersey Stars (W)

WTT Notes

- 3x WTT Coach of the Year (2007, 2009, 2010)
- One of six coaches in WTT history to win backto-back titles
- One of four coaches in WTT history to win a title as a player and a coach

Personal

Began playing tennis at age five... After winning 12-under Orange Bowl and seeing his name next to players like Edberg, Becker and Wilander, he thought more seriously about a tennis career... Captured US Open juniors doubles title (w/Alami) in 1991... A rugby and cricket "fanatic" who often phones home for updates of his favorite teams, Western Province in rugby and Transvaal in cricket.





Quick Facts Founded: 2020

Team History: Chicago Smash 2020-present

Based In: Chicago, Illinois Colors: Chicago Blue, Smash Owner: World TeamTennis Head Coach: Kamau Murray Championships: 0

Website: chicagosmash.com



Alexa Guarachi (Nov. 20-28) • Chile • 1st Season • Age: 30

Career Highlights

- · 2020 French Open doubles finalist
- Owns five doubles titles on the WTA Tour
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No. 11 earlier in 2021

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open Doubles 3R '21
French Open Doubles F '20
Wimbledon Mixed Doubles 2R '21
US Open Mixed Doubles QF '21

WTT History

2021-Chicago Smash

WTT Notes

- · First Chilean in WTT history
- Only player from the University of Alabama in the 2021 field
- Making second appearance in Indian Wells in 2021

Personal

Started playing tennis at age 5, both parents are teaching pros and were her coaches growing up ... Has an older brother named Stefan with down-syndrome who she claims is her inspiration ... Played collegiate tennis at the University of Alabama graduating with a degree in Public Relations in 2013 ... Says best tennis memory so far was playing mixed doubles against Serena Williams and Andy Murray on Centre Court at 2019 Wimbledon ... Has a golden retriever named Bee.



Nick Monroe • USA • 5th Season • Age: 39

Career Highlights

- · Holds four ATP Tour doubles titles
- Bronze medalist at the 2011 Pan American Games
- Second in all-time singles wins (100) in program history at North Carolina

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Doubles 3R	'21
French Open	Doubles QF	'20
Wimbledon	Doubles 3R	'17
US Open	Doubles QF	'17

WTT History

2020-Washington Kastles 2019-Washington Kastles 2012-Kansas City Explorers 2006-Springfield Lasers

WTT Notes

- Eveing first career WTT Finals appearance
- One of three players from the University of North Carolina to play WTT (Tripp Phillips and Will Blumberg)
- Washington Kastles' primary men's doubles player last season

Personal

Monroe had a highly successful college career at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill from 2000 to 2004, earning All-American and All-ACC status on multiple occasions... Was named University of North Carolina's Senior Male Student-Athlete of the Year (2003–2004).







Tommy Paul (Nov. 20-28) • USA • 3rd Season • Age: 24

Career Highlights

- 2020 French Open doubles guarterfinalist
- Broke into the top 50 rankings for the first time in 2021
- Earned a personal-best 20 victories in 2021, highlighted by a fourth-round victory over No. 5 Andrey Rublev in Indian Wells

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles 3R	'20
French Open	Doubles QF	'20
Wimbledon	Singles Q3	'19
US Open	Doubles 2R	'16

WTT History

2020-Washington Kastles 2019-Philadelphia Freedoms

WTT Notes

- Reunites with Nick Monroe from the Washington Kastles last season
- Owns two wins over WTT players in the 2021 field (Mackie McDonald and Denis Kudla)
- Former teammate of Springfield Lasers' Marcelo Arevalo

Personal

Began playing tennis at age seven after being introduced by his parents... Father, Kevin; mother, Jill; brother, Dylan; sister, Jessie Lynn... Moved from New Jersey when he was 3 months old... Grew up playing on clay courts in Greenville, NC... Idol growing up was Andy Roddick.



Sloane Stephens • USA • 7th Season • Age: 28

Career Highlights

- 2017 US Open champion
- Named 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year
- · Owns six singles titles on the WTA Tour

WTT History

2020-Chicago Smash 2019-New York Empire 2018-Philadelphia Freedoms 2017-Philadelphia Freedoms 2014-Washington Kastles (W) 2009-New York Buzz

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles SF	'13
French Open	Singles F	'18
Wimbledon	Singles QF	'13
US Open	Singles W	'17

WTT Notes

- · Made WTT debut as a junior player in 2009
- Singles match against Coco Vandeweghe in the WTT finals gave the Smash a lead heading into the final match
- Coached by Smash head coach Kamau Murray during US Open title run

Personal

Mother is Sybil Smith, a collegiate swimmer; brother is Shawn Farrell... Started playing at age 9 when mother introduced her to the sport in Fresno, CA... Extremely passionate about her foundation, created in 2013, and spends a lot of time continuing to expand the programming of the Sloane Stephens Foundation



Sabrina Santamaria • USA • 2nd Season • Age: 28

Career Highlights

- Four-time doubles finalist on the WTA Tour
- 2013 NCAA doubles champion at the University of Southern California
- Completed college tennis "triple crown" in 2013 (ITA Indoor + Outdoor + NCAA)

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Doubles 2R	'19, '20
French Open	Doubles 2R	'19, '20
Wimbledon	Doubles 2R	'21
US Open	Doubles 2R	'18, '19, '2 1

WTT History

2019-Vegas Rollers

WTT Notes

- One-time teammate of Springfield Lasers' Asia Muhammad
- Coming off a doubles quarterfinal appearance last month in Indian Wells
- 1-1 against the 2021 player field on the WTA Tour

Personal

Sabrina Ashley Vida Santamaria was born Feb. 24, 1993... Daughter of Ivan and Anneli... Has one half-brother, Ivan... Has always wanted to win a national championship at USC... Was involved with Amnesty International at USC... Hopes to travel to Greece... Majored in International Relations







Frances Tiafoe (Nov. 13-18) • USA • 4th Season • Age: 23

Career Highlights

- Reached the US Open round of 16 for the second consecutive year
- · Was ranked in top 30 in 2019
- Youngest American title-holder on the ATP Tour since Andy Roddick in 2002 with Delray Beach Open title in 2018

Best Results at Majors

Australian Open	Singles QF	'19
French Open	Doubles 2R	'21
Wimbledon	Singles 3R	'18, '21
US Open	Singles 4R	'20, '21

WTT History

2019-Washington Kastles 2018-Washington Kastles (WC) 2017-Washington Kastles (WC)

WTT Notes

- Earned franchise status in 2019 after receiving wild cards his first two seasons
- Lists Indian Wells as one of his favorite places to play
- Only WTT player to have made the men's US Open Round of 16 in 2021

Personal

Nickname is Big Foe... Began playing tennis against a wall at age 3 with twin brother, Franklin... Trained as a kid at the Junior Tennis Champions Centre in College Park, MD, USA, where his father served as Head of Maintenance... Occasionally came to work with his father and spent entire days at tennis center... Mother helped him and his brother with school... Father, Frances Sr., and mother, Alphina, moved from Sierra Leone to USA in 1996... Recipient of 2020 Arthur Ashe Humanitarian Award.



Kamau Murray • USA • 2nd Season (2nd Season As Coach)

Career Highlights

- Players have won five singles titles under Murray
- Competed at Florida A&M, serving as team captain for two years
- Founder of the XS Tennis program in Chicago, where one of the first players he coached was Taylor Townsend

WTT History

2020-Chicago Smash (Coach)

WTT Notes

- Led the Smash to a runner-up finish in his first year as coach
- Reunited with Sloane Stephens, who he coached to the 2017 US Open title
- Entering the 2021 season with a 9-5 WTT record

Personal

Born and raised on the south side of Chicago and began playing tennis at age 7 during his summer break from school, as it was the first summer program his parents found where they could afford to send him... He continued to play during the school year in Chicago Public Schools after-school programs for many years... Attended the Whitney Young Magnet High School, the same high school attended by former USTA President, Katrina Adams... Played tennis at Florida A&M University, where he served as the team captain for two years... During his sophomore season, the team won the MEAC conference title... After finishing his undergraduate degree, he also served as an assistant coach for the team while completing an MBA degree...Founded the XS Tennis and Education Foundation on the former site of the Robert Taylor Chicago Housing Project to serve underprivileged children in the community.





2020 WTT SEASON RECAP

/ / / / /		Standings			
Pos	Team	MP	W-L	GW	GL
1	x-Philadelphia Freedoms	14	12-2	308	255
2	x-Orlando Storm	14	10-4	295	264
3	x-Chicago Smash	14	9-5	289	266
4	x-New York Empire	14	7-7	288	277
5	Washington Kastles	14	6-8	265	280
6	Orange County Breakers	14	5-9	270	288
7	Springfield Lasers	14	5-9	261	290
8	Vegas Rollers	14	5-9	257	300
9	San Diego Aviators	14	4-10	268	281

x-qualified for 2020 WTT Semifinals

Playoffs

WTT Finals - August 2

#4 New York Empire def. #3 Chicago Smash 21-20

WTT Semifinals - August 1

#4 New York Empire def. #1 Philadelphia Freedoms 22-18 #3 Chicago Smash def. #2 Orlando Storm 24-13

Awards







Female MVP Male MVP Finals MVP

Bethanie Mattek-Sands (Chicago Smash) Taylor Fritz (Philadelphia Freedoms) CoCo Vandeweghe (New York Empire)

Team Statistics

Men's Sing					
Pos	Team	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	Philadelphia Freedoms	110	65	45	59.1%
2	Orlando Storm	122	65	57	53.3%
3	Vegas Rollers	115	58	57	50.4%
Women's S	Singles				
Pos	Team	GP	GW	GL	Win%
T1	Orlando Storm	105	63	42	60.0%
T1	Philadelphia Freedoms	105	63	42	60.0%
3	Orange County Breakers	103	56	47	54.4%
Men's Dou	bles				
Pos	Team	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	Orlando Storm	110	60	50	54.5%
2	New York Empire	119	64	55	53.8%
3	Vegas Rollers	118	61	57	51.7%
Women's I	Doubles				
Pos	Team	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	San Diego Aviators	109	70	39	64.2%
2	Chicago Smash	106	61	45	57.5%
3	Springfield Lasers	107	57	50	53.3%
Mixed Dou	bles				
Pos	Team	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	New York Empire	118	69	49	58.5%
2	Chicago Smash	113	61	52	54.0%
3	Philadelphia Freedoms	116	62	54	53.4%



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Individual Statistics

	gles				
Pos	Player	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	Taylor Fritz (Philadelphia Freedoms)	110	65	45	59.1%
2	Tennys Sandgren (Orlando Storm)	122	65	57	53.3%
3	Jack Sock (New York Empire)	111	57	54	51.4%
4	Sam Querrey (Las Vegas Rollers)	115	58	57	50.4%
5	Brandon Nakashima (Chicago Smash)	116	58	58	50.0%
Women's	Singles				
Pos	Player	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	Kim Clijsters (New York Empire)	45	30	15	66.7%
2	Jessica Pegula (Orlando Storm)	69	45	24	65.2%
3	Sofia Kenin (Philadelphia Freedoms)	105	63	42	60.0%
4	Bernarda Pera (Washington Kastles)	65	36	29	55.4%
5	Jennifer Brady (Orange County Breakers)	103	56	47	54.4%
Men's Do	ubles				
Pos	Player	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	Ken Skupski (Orlando Storm)	96	54	42	56.3%
2	Taylor Fritz (Philadelphia Freedoms)	70	39	31	55.7%
3	Jack Sock (New York Empire)	111	61	50	55.0%
4	Tennys Sandgren (Orlando Storm)	110	60	50	54.5%
5	Neal Skupski (New York Empire)	119	64	55	53.8%
Women's	Doubles				
Pos	Player	GP	GW	GL	Win%
1	CoCo Vandeweghe (San Diego/New York)	108	66	42	61.1%
	Nicole Melichar (San Diego/New York)	101	61	40	60.4%
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T3	Eugenie Bouchard (Chicago Smash)	106	61	45	57.5%
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T3 T3 5 Mixed Doo Pos 1	Eugenie Bouchard (Chicago Smash) Bethanie Mattek-Sands (Chicago Smash) Caroline Dolehide (Philadelphia Freedoms) ubles Player Kim Clijsters (New York Empire)	106 106 90 GP 56	61 61 48 GW 35	45 42 GL 21	57.5% 53.3% Win% 62.5%
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Bold indicates a player in the 2021 WTT player field

WTT HISTORY





1962 Billie Jean King and Larry King originate the concept of TeamTennis.

1974

World TeamTennis, which was founded by Billie Jean King, Larry King, Fred Barman, Jordon Kaiser, Dennis Murphy and Frank Fuhrer, debuts. Based on a concept of gender equity, WTT is also the first professional sports league to feature men and women on the same 2002 team. The Denver Racquets defeat the Philadelphia Freedoms to win the first championship. King is named as the League's first MVP and is also the first woman to coach a team with male pros as the player-coach of the Freedoms. Among the first team owners was the Los Angeles Strings' Jerry Buss, who went on to own the NBA's Los Angeles Lakers. His daughter Jeanie became the team GM in 1981. Robert Kraft, current owner of the NFL's New England Patriots, became owner of the Boston Lobsters in 1975.

1981

Following a brief hiatus, the league returns as TeamTennis.

1984

Billie Jean King becomes the first woman commissioner in pro sports history.

1990

WTT CEO/Commissioner Ilana Kloss signs Jimmy Connors and Martina Navratilova to the League's first multiyear marquee player contracts.

1992

In line with the growing global popularity of the sport, the professional league is rebranded from TeamTennis to World TeamTennis

2000

The Sacramento Capitals had an unprecedented four-peat, winning the title from 1997 to 2000. The Capitals went on to becomes the first team in WTT history to win six championships with the 2007 title. Future Tennis Hall of Famer Andy Roddick also breaks onto makes his WTT debut at 17, playing a full season for the Idaho Sneakers.

Eight-time Major champion and Tennis Hall of Famer Andre Agassi joined WTT as a player and League ambassador.

2005

WTT celebrates its 30th anniversary and introduces instant replay. Stefanie Graf makes her return to pro tennis for the first time since 1999 to play WTT. Martina Hingis makes her WTT debut and leads the New York Sportimes to their first title. Hingis lost only one set during the 2005 season and was named MVP of the WTT Final. Her WTT performance spurred the tennis great to make a successful return to the WTA Tour.

2009

The Boston Lobsters' Martina Navratilova becomes the first to play 20

WTT seasons. Kim Clijsters comes out of retirement and makes her WTT debut for St. Louis in July 2009. She returns to the WTA Tour and wins the U.S. Open women's singles title two months later.

2013

Andy Roddick and Venus Williams join the WTT ownership group in May 2013. The Washington Kastles completed the first perfect season in WTT history (16-0) and won their second WTT championship with a victory over St. Louis Aces. Before winning their third consecutive and fourth overall championship in 2013, the Kastles became the first league champion to be invited to the White House to meet with the President. Washington also rewrote the sports record books during the 2013 season by setting the mark of 34 consecutive wins (2011-2013), the longest streak in major pro sports league history. The previous mark of 33 consecutive wins was held by the NBA's 1971-72 LA Lakers.

2015

World TeamTennis becomes only the fifth U.S. pro sports league to reach the 40th season milestone, joining the National Football League, National Basketball Association, National Hockey League and Major League Baseball. WTT also





introduces an on-court service clock.

2016

WTT returns to New York City with the New York Empire

2019

WTT expanded by two franchises with the Orlando Storm, playing out of the USTA National Campus in Lake Nona, Fla., and Vegas Rollers. The league also moved the WTT Playoffs (semifinals and WTT Final) to the Rollers' home at the Orleans Arena in Las Vegas, where the Springfield Lasers edged the New York Empire, 20-19, to become the eighth team in WTT history to win back-to-back WTT championships – the first team since the Washington Kastles held the WTT crown from 2011-15.

2020

Ahead of the 2020 season, WTT launched a new free agency player recruitment model by which its nine teams constructed their rosters. The WTT Draft was dissolved. The free agency approach allows teams more freedom to assemble their rosters during the WTT recruitment window. Teams also have the first right to protect and sign players who played for them the previous season. Similar to past years, teams signed four full-season players to their roster and could add franchise players at any time. A salary cap for each WTT franchise was put in place to help maintain parity across the league. WTT expanded to nine teams with its addition of the Chicago Smash, led by American star Sloane Stephens. The season was also played at a single venue at The Greenbrier in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia

2021

The season is moved to a single venue for the second consecutive year, taking place at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden Stadium 2. Five teams are set to play, marking the first time since 1981 five teams or fewer play in a WTT year.









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YEAR	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	SCORE	FINALS LOCATION
2020	New York Empire	Chicago Smash	21-20	White Sulphur Springs, W.V.
Finals MV	P: CoCo Vandeweghe (New York Empire)			
2019	Springfield Lasers	New York Empire	20-19	Las Vegas, Nev.
Finals MV	P: Robert Lindstedt (Springfield Lasers)			
2018	Springfield Lasers	Philadelphia Freedoms	19-18	Philadelphia, Pa.
Finals MV	P: Miomir Kecmanovic (Springfield Lasers)			
2017	Orange County Breakers	San Diego Aviators	22-18	Carlsbad, Calif.
Finals MV	P: Teymuraz Gabashvili (Orange County Breake	rs)		
2016	San Diego Aviators	Orange County Breakers	25-14	Forest Hills, N.Y.
Finals MV	P: Raven Klaasen (San Diego Aviators)			
2015	Washington Kastles	Austin Aces	24-18	Washington, DC
	P: Leander Paes (Washington Kastles)			
2014	Washington Kastles	Springfield Lasers	25-13	Springfield, Mo.
2013	Washington Kastles	Springfield Lasers	25-12	Washington, DC
2012	Washington Kastles	Sacramento Capitals	20-19	Charleston, S.C.
2011	Washington Kastles	St. Louis Aces	23-19	Charleston, S.C.
2010	Kansas City Explorers	New York Sportimes	21-18	Kansas City, Mo.
2009	Washington Kastles	Sprinfield Lasers	23-20	Washington, DC
2008	New York Buzz	Kansas City Explorers	21-18	Sacramento, Calif.
2007	Sacramento Capitals	New York Buzz	24-20	Sacramento, Calif.
2006	Philadelphia Freedoms	Newport Beach Breakers	21-14	Newport Beach, Calif.
2005	New York Sportimes	Newport Beach Breakers	21-18	Sacramento, Calif.
2004	Newport Beach Breakers	Delaware Smash	23-17	Flushing Meadows, N.Y.
2003	Delaware Smash	Sacramento Capitals	21-14	Flushing Meadows, N.Y.
2002	Sacramento Capitals	New York Buzz	21-13	Flushing Meadows, N.Y.
2001	Philadelphia Freedoms	Springfield Lasers	20-18	Flushing Meadows, N.Y.
2000	Sacramento Capitals	Delaware Smash	23-15	Flushing Meadows, N.Y.
1999	Sacramento Capitals	Springfield Lasers	23-15	Sacramento, Calif.
1998	Sacramento Capitals	New York OTBzz	30-13	Sacramento, Calif.
1997	Sacramento Capitals*			Orlando, Fla.
-	ılar season title. Final rained out	Dala and Garage	07.45	Wester Observation
1996	St. Louis Aces	Delaware Smash	27-15	Wesley Chapel, Fla.
1995	New Jersey Stars	Atlanta Thunder	28-20	Charlotte, N.C.
1994	New Jersey Stars	Idaho Sneakers	28-25	Sacramento, Calif.
1993 1992	Wichita Advantage Atlanta Thunder	Newport Beach Dukes	26-23 30-17	Atlanta, Ga.
1992	Atlanta Thunder	Newport Beach Dukes Los Angeles Strings	27-16	Atlanta, Ga.
1990	Los Angeles Strings	Raleigh Edge	27-16	Atlanta, Ga. Los Angeles, Calif.
1989	San Antonio Racquets	Sacramento Capitals	27-10	Sacramento, Calif.
1988	Charlotte Heat	New Jersey Stars	27-23	Charlotte, N.C.
1987	Charlotte Heat	San Antonio Racquets	25-20	Charlotte, N.C.
1986	San Antonio Racquets	Sacramento Capitals	25-23	San Antonio, Texas
1985	San Diego Buds	St. Louis Slims	25-24	San Antonio, Texas
1984	San Diego Buds*			ament. Won regular season title
1983	Chicago Fyre	Los Angeles Strings	26-20	Los Angeles, Calif.
1982	Dallas Stars	Phoenix Sunsets	27-22	2007 (1190100), Odiiii.
1981	Los Angeles Strings*	*Won regular season title	_,	
1979-80	No League			
1978*	Los Angeles Strings	Boston Lobsters	108-93	Los Angeles, Calif./Boston, Mass.
1977*	New York Apples	Phoenix Racquets	55-39	New York, N.Y./Phoenix, Ariz.
1976*	New York Sets	San Francisco Golden Gators	91-57	New York, N.Y./San Francisco, Calif.
1975*	Pittsburgh Triangles	San Francisco Golden Gators	74-65	Pittsburgh, Pa./San Francisco, Calif.
1974*	Denver Racquets	Philadelphia Freedoms	55-48	Denver, Colo./Philadelphia, Pa.
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^{*}From 1974-1978, championship matches were either best two out of three matches or best three out of five matches.

⁺Finals MVPs were given out starting in the 2015 season



REGULAR SEASON CHAMPIONS + AWARDS

YEAR	REGULAR SEASON CHAMPION	FEMALE MVP	MALE MVP		
2020	Philadelphia Freedoms	Bethanie Mattek-Sands (Chicago Smash)	Taylor Fritz (Philadelphia Freedoms)		
2019	Philadelphia Freedoms	Raquel Atawo (Philadelphia Freedoms)	Neal Skupski (New York Empire)		
2018	Philadelphia Freedoms	Taylor Townsend (Philadelphia Freedoms)	Marcin Matkowski (San Diego Aviators)		
2017	OC Breakers + San Diego Aviators	Andreja Klepac (Orange County Breakers)	(2) Teymuraz Gabashvili (OC Breakers)		
2016	OC Breakers + San Diego Aviators	Nicole Gibbs (Orange County Breakers)	Ryan Harrison (San Diego Aviators)		
2015	Washington Kastles (E) + Austin Aces (W)	Anabel Medina Garrigues (Calif. Dream) Anastasia Rodionova (Washington Kastles	(1) Teymuraz Gabashvili (Austin Aces)		
2014	Washington Kastles (E) + San Diego Aviators (W)	Daniela Hantuchova (San Diego Aviators)	, Marcelo Melo (Philadelphia Freedoms)		
2013	Washington Kastles (E) + Sprinfield Lasers/Texas W	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,			
		(2) Martina Hingis (Washington Kastles)	Jean-Julien Rojer (Springfield Lasers)		
2012	Washington Kastles (E) + OC Breakers (W	(1) Martina Hinis (New York Sportimes)	Bobby Reynolds (Washington Kastles)		
2011	Washington Kastles (E) + 3 Teams Tied (W)	Lizel Huber (St. Louis Aces)	(2) Leander Paes (Washington Kastles)		
2010	NY Sportimes (E) + Springfield Lasers (W)	(2) Lindsay Davenport (St. Louis Aces)	Martin Damm (Springfield Lasers)		
2009	NY Sportimes (E) + Springfield Lasers (W)	Vania King (Springfield Lasers)	(1) Leander Paes (Washington Kastles)		
2008	NY Sportimes/NY Buzz (E) + KC Explorers (W)	Rennae Stubbs (Kansas City Explorers)	Ramon Delgado (Newport Beach Breakers)		
2007	NY Buzz/Philadelphia Freedoms (E) + Springfield Lasers (W)				
	, , , , ,	Tamarine Tanasugarn (Springfield Lasers)	(3) Mark Knowles (Sacramento Capitals)		
2006	NY Sportimes (E) + Sacramento Capitals (W)	Angela Haynes (Delaware Smash)	Daniel Nestor (Philadelphia Freedoms)		
2005	NY Sportimes (E) + Sacramento Captials (W)	Elena Likhovtseva (Sacramento Capitals)	(2) Mark Knowles (Sacramento Capitals)		
2004	Hartford FoxForce (E) + Sacramento Captials (W)	Nicole Vaidisova (Sacramento Capitals)	Dimitry Tursunov (Sacramento Capitals)		
2003	Delaware Smash (E) + Sacramento Capitals/Springf	ield Lasers (W)			
		Samantha Reeves (Delaware Smash)	Paul Goldstein (Delaware Smash)		
2002	NY Buzz (E) + Sacramento Capitals (W)	Katerina Srebotnik (New York Hamptons)	Mahesh Bhupathi (New York Buzz)		
2001	Philadelphia Freedoms (E) + Sacramento Capitals/S	pringfield Lasers (W)			
		(2) Lisa Raymond (Philadelphia Freedoms)	(1) Mark Knowles (Sacramento Capitals)		
2000	Delaware Smash (E) + Sacramento Capitals (W)	Mariaan de Swardt (Delaware Smash)	Richey Reneberg (Sacramento Capitals)		
1999	Sacramento Capitals	Elena Tatarkova (Springfield Lasers)	Grant Stafford (Springfield Lasers)		
1998	NY OTBzz	(2) Larisa Neiland (Springfield Lasers)	(3) Brian MacPhie (Sacramento Capitals)		
1997	Sacramento Capitals	(1) Lindsay Davenport (Sacramento Capitals)	(2) Brian MacPhie (Sacramento Capitals)		
1996	St. Louis Aces	(1) Lisa Raymond (St. Louis Aces)	(1) Brian MacPhie (Sacramento Capitals)		
1995	NJ Stars (E) + Idaho Sneakers (W)	Amy Frazier (Idaho Sneakers)	Brett Hansen-Dent (Idaho Sneakers)		
1994	NJ Stars (E) + San Antonio Racquets (C) + Newport	Beach Dukes (W)			
	(1) Larisa Neiland (Newport Beach Dukes) Kelly Jones (Newport Beach Duk				
1993	Atlanta Thunder/KC Explorers (E) + Newport Beach				
		(4) Martina Navratilova (Atlanta Thunder)	Jimmy Connors (Phoenix Smash)		
		No Award	(2) Trevor Kronemann (Newport Beach Dukes)		
1992	Atlanta Thunder (E) + Vali Eagles/Newport Beach Du	ukes (W)			
		(3) Martina Navratilova (Atlanta Thunder)	Mikael Pernfors (Tampa Bay Action)		
1991	Atlanta Thunder (E) + San Antonio Racquets (W)	(2) Martina Navratilova (Atlanta Thunder)	Sammy Giammalva (San Antonio Racquets)		
1990	Raleigh Edge (E) + Los Angeles Strings (W)	Robin White (Los Angeles Strings)	(1) Trevor Kronemann (Charlotte Heat)		
1989	New Jersey Stars	Ronnie Reis (Portland Panthers)	Robert Van't Hof (Sacramento Capitals)		
1988	Charlotte Heat	(2) Elna Reinach (Charlotte Heat)	Blaine Willenborg (South Florida Breakers)		
1987	Charlotte Heat	(1) Elna Reinach (Charlotte Heat)	(2) Kim Warwick (San Antonio Racquets)		
1986	San Antonio Racquets	Pam Casale (Sacramento Capitals)	(1) Kim Warwick (San Antonio Racquets)		
1985	Miami Beach Breakers/San Diego Buds	Mary Lou Piatek (San Diego Buds)	Butch Waltz (San Diego Buds)		
1984	San Diego Buds				
1983	Chicago Frye				
1982	Dallas Stars				
1981	Los Angeles Strings				
1978	Boston Lobsters (E) + San Diego Friars (W)	(1) Martina Navratilova (Boston Lobsters)	(2) Frew McMillan (San Francisco Golden Gators)		
1977	Boston Lobsters (E) + Phoenix Racquets (W)	(2) Chris Evert (Phoenix Racquets)	(1) Frew McMillan (San Francisco Golden Gators)		
1976	New York Sets (E) + Phoenix Racquets (W)	(1) Chris Evert (Phoenix Racquets)	Sandy Mayer (New York Sets)		
1975	Pittsburgh Triangles (E) + SF Golden Gators (W)	Evonne Goolagong (Pittsburgh Triangles)	Tom Okker (San Francisco Golden Gators)		
1974	Philadelphia Freedoms (A) + Detroit Loves/Pittsburg	h Triangles (C) + Minnesota Buckskins (GP) + Billie Jean King (Philadelphia Freedoms)	Denver Racquets (P) No Award		



Regular Season

Regular Season Record: 14-0 Washington Kastles (2011, 2012) Newport Beach Dukes (1994)

Best Regular Season Home Record: 7-0

Springfield Lasers (2019, 2009) Orange County Breakers (2016) Washington Kastles (2011, 2012) Delaware Smash (2003) Newport Beach Dukes (1993, 1994) Atlanta Thunder (1992) Charlotte Heat (1988)

Best Regular Season Road Record: 7-0

Washington Kastles (2011, 2012) Kansas City Explorers (2008) Springfield Lasers (2007) Newport Beach Dukes (1994) San Antonio Racquets (1986, 1991)

Best Overall Record: 16-0 Washington Kastles (2011, 2012)

Longest Winning Streak (postseason included):

Washington Kastles (7/5/2011-7/10/2013)

Playoffs

Most Playoff Appearances: 20 Sacramento Capitals

Most Consecutive Playoff Appearances: 7

Sacramento Capitals (2002-08)

Closest Playoff Match

New York Buzz 20, Philadelphia Freedoms 19 (2007 Eastern Conference Final) St. Louis Slims 22, Miami Beach Breakers 21 (STB: 7-6) (1985 Semifinals)

Widest Playoff Margin of Victory: 18 games New York Sportimes 25, Boston Lobsters 7 (2005 Semifinals) Largest Margin of Victory (6-game set): 21 games

St. Louis Aces def. New York Buzz 30-9 (9/21/1996)

Largest Margin of Victory (5-game set): 21 games

Delaware Smash def. St. Louis Aces 25-5 (7/10/2000)

Most Extended Play Matches: 31

2008 Season

Best Extended Play Comeback: 6 games

New Jersey Stars 29, Los Angeles Strings 28, OT: 6-0, STB: 7-6 (7/10/1988)

With Los Angeles leading 24-16 going into the final set (mixed doubles), New Jersey won the set 6-4. (Playing for New Jersey was Jenny Byrne and Peter Fleming, playing for Los Angeles was John Lloyd and Elise Burgin.)

Most Supertiebreakers: 11 1993, 2006, 2008 Seasons

Championships

Most Championship Titles: 6

Washington Kastles (2009, 2011-15) Sacramento Capitals (1997-2000, 2002, 2007)

Most Consecutive Championship Titles: 5
Washington Kastles (2011-15)

Closest Championship Match

New York Empire 20, Chicago Smash 19 (2020) (Extended Play + Supertiebreaker) Springfield Lasers 20, New York Empire 19 (2019)

Washington Kastles 20, Sacramento Capitals 19 (2012)

Sacramento Capitals 21, Delaware Smash 20 (2000)

San Diego Buds 25, St. Louis Slims 24 (1985)

Widest Playoff Margin of Victory: 17 games Sacramento Capitals 30, New York Buzz 13 (1998)

RECORDS



Tennis Hall of Famers who Played WTT

Andre Agassi, Sacramento Capitals 2002-04; Philadelphia Freedoms 2009; Boston Lobsters 2012

Tracy Austin, New Jersey Stars 1989; Raleigh Edge 1993

Boris Becker, New York Buzz 2003

Bjorn Borg, Cleveland Nets 1977; Los Angeles Strings 1993; Atlanta Thunder 1994

Maria Esther Bueno, Florida Flamingos 1974

Jennifer Capriati, Atlanta Thunder 1991

Rosie Casals, Detroit Loves 1974; Los Angeles Strings 1975-77; Anaheim Oranges 1978; Oakland Breakers 1982; San Diego Friars 1983 (PLAYER/COACH); St. Louis Eagles 1984; Chicago Fyre 1985; Miami Beach Breakers 1986; Fresno Sun-Nets 1988 Michael Chang, Sacramento Capitals 2009-10

Kim Clijsters, St Louis Aces 2009; New York Sportimes 2010; New York Empire 2020, 2021

Jimmy Connors, Baltimore Banners 1974; Los Angeles Strings 1991-92; Phoenix Smash 1993-94; Kansas City Explorers 1998; Philadelphia Freedoms 2001, 2011

Jim Courier, New York Hamptons 2000; New York Buzz 2005

Lindsay Davenport, St. Louis Aces 2001, 2010-11; New York Buzz 2002; Newport Beach Breakers 2003, 2008; Sacramento Capitals 1993, 1997-98, 2007; Orange County Breakers 2012

Owen Davidson, Minnesota Buckskins 1974; Hawaii Leis 1975-76; Houston Astro-Knots 1982 (COACH); Boston Bays 1984-86 (PLAY-ER/COACH)

Francoise Durr, Denver Racquets 1974; Phoenix Racquets 1975; Golden Gaters 1976, 1977; Anaheim Oranges 1978

Roy Emerson, Golden Gaters 1974; Boston Lobsters 1977, 1978 (PLAYER/COACH)

Chris Evert, Phoenix Racquets 1976-77; Los Angeles Strings 1978

Gigi Fernandez, Idaho Sneakers 1998; New York Empire 2017 (COACH), 2018 (COACH)

Evonne Goolagong, Pittsburgh Triangles 1974-76

Steffi Graf, Houston Wranglers 2005

Ann Haydon Jones, Minnesota Buckskins 1974; Cleveland Nets 1975; Los Angeles Strings 1976

Martina Hingis, New York Sportimes 2005-06, 2011; New York Buzz 2010; New York Sportimes 2012; Washington Kastles 2013-17 **Billie Jean King**, Philadelphia Freedoms 1974 (Player/Coach); New York Sets 1975-76; New York Apples 1977-78; Oakland Breakers 1981; Los Angeles Strings 1982; Chicago Fyre 1983-84; Delaware Smash 1996 (Assistant Coach)

Rod Laver, San Diego Friars 1976-78 (COACH/PLAYER)

John McEnroe, Kansas City Explorers 1996; New York Hamptons 2001-02; New York Sportimes 2003, 2005-13

Frew McMillan, Golden Gaters 1974-75 (PLAYER/COACH), 1976-78 (PLAYER/COACH)

Ilie Nastase, Hawaii Leis 1976; Los Angeles Strings 1977-78 (COACH/PLAYER); Miami Beach Breakers 1986 (COACH/PLAYER) Martina Navratilova, Cleveland Nets 1976; Boston Lobsters 1977-78, 2005-06, 2008-09; Los Angeles Strings 1981; Atlanta Thunder 1991-93; New Jersey Stars 1994-95; Delaware Smash 1996, 1998, 2001; Schenectady County Electrics 1999-00; Philadelphia Freedoms 2003; New York Buzz 2004

John Newcombe, Houston EZ Riders 1974; Hawaii Leis 1975

Jana Novotna, Sacramento Capitals 2001

Mary Pierce. Schenectady County Electrics 2000

Patrick Rafter, Philadelphia Freedoms 2004-05

Dennis Ralston, Hawaii Leis 1974; San Diego Friars 1975; Los Angeles Strings 1976, 1977

Tony Roche, Denver Racquets 1974 (PLAYER/COACH); Phoenix Racquets 1975-76; Boston Lobsters 1977-78

Andy Roddick, Idaho Sneakers 2000; St. Louis Aces 2001-03, 2005; Philadelphia Freedoms 2010, 2017; Springfield Lasers 2013; Austin Aces 2014, New York Empire 2016

Ken Rosewall, Pittsburgh Triangles 1974 (Player/Coach)

Pete Sampras, Newport Beach Breakers 2006-07, 2011

Arantxa Sanchez-Vicario, New York OTBzz 1996; Boston Lobsters 2007

Manuel Santana, New York Sets 1974

Monica Seles, Kansas City Explorers 1999; Hartford FoxForce 2000-01; New York Sportimes 2004

Pam Shriver, St. Louis Aces 1995; Delaware Smash 1996

Margaret Court, Hawaii Leis 1975-76

Fred Stolle, Philadelphia Freedoms 1974; New York Sets 1975, 1976; New York Apples 1977-78

Virginia Wade, New York Sets 1974-76; New York Apples 1977; Golden Gaters 1978

Mats Wilander, New Jersey Stars 1993

WTT All-Time Coaching Wins

- 1. Craig Kardon (1991-95, 2002, 2004-10, 2017-20), 154-84 6. John-Laffnie de Jager (2007-present), 104-100
- 2. Frew McMillan (1974-78), 128-99
- 3. Wayne Bryan (1999, 2002-13), 110-81
- 4. Murphy Jensen (2009-19), 107-57
- 5. Greg Patton (1990-97, 2003-06, 2008), 106-83
- 7. John Lloyd (1987-92, 2015-present), 91-83
- 8. Trevor Kronemann (1998, 2001-06, 2012-13), 72-58
- 9. Rick Leach (2010-11, 2014-present) 71-59
- 10. Brent Haygarth (2007-14), 65-52