



## Monthly Newsletter-June 2019

### From the desk of the President

"I am delighted to see the young budding players participating in the Division One Development Championship and two Grade A tournaments in Central Asia. Such development activities exist to make tennis more accessible and contribute to a large extent in player development. I would also like to congratulate all the nations for hosting several tournaments over the course of last month along with the officials, coaches and referees for making all these tournaments a grand success. "

Clay court season is underway with the second Grand Slam event of the year 2019 "Roland Garros". There are a lot Asian players in fray in the tournament and they are marking the Asian stamp on clay as well. I would like to wish them good luck.

ATF is always committed for development of tennis

### Tournament Section

#### **ITF ASIAN 14&U DEVELOPMENT CHAMPIONSHIP 2019- DIVISION 1, TASHKENT**



Division 1 took place in Tashkent, Uzbekistan and the tournament saw some really interesting results. Yuvan Nandan of India showed some real calibre as he made his way to the finals in the week 2 of Division 1. Yuvan battled with the top seeds before beating Max Batutenko in the finals in a nail biting match by 6-4 3-6 6-3. Max Batutenko won the Week 1 tournament by prevailing over second seed S. Saeoui of Thailand.

Girls section showcased some fascinating results as well. The top seed, Sandugash Kenzibayeva, won a close finals of week 2 tournament against Vichitraporn Vimuktananda 26, 75, 62. In the preceding week, Kenzibayeva won the title defeating Pari Singh of India in the finals with a score of 64, 63. The top 3 line up of Division 1 championships include Max Batutenko (KAZ), S Saeoui (THA) and Jangjun KIM (KOR) in boys and S Kenzhibayeva (KAZ), Sein Myoung (KOR) and Yujin Kim (KOR) in girls .

ATF would like to compliment the efforts of Uzbekistan Tennis Federation in hosting this full hospitality tournament smoothly.

#### **MSLTA USD \$3000 ATT WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT, PUNE**

The second tournament for ATT saw a good amount of participation from women. The finals of \$3000 FinIQ-ATT Women's Tournament turned out to be an one-sided affair when Wildcard Vaidehi Chaudhary of Ahmedabad easily defeated Soha Sadiq from Bangalore- 62, 61. Sadiq started well by holding her serve in the first game, but large number of unforced errors compounded with some hard hitting tennis from Vaidehi ensured easy win for Vaidehi.

ATT again proves its potential by helping a National Ranked player, Soha Sadiq face bigger challenges by competing against an ITF World Ranked player, Vaidehi Chaudhary, in the finals.

#### **Grade A 14& Under tournament, Almaty Kazakhstan.**

Rushil Khosla from India proved too good for his opponents in the above tournament. He won the tournament without dropping a set and defeating his doubles partner Danir Kaldybekov (KAZ) 60, 61



*Mr. Anil khanna*



in a one sided finals. Later Rushil and Danir combined well to win the doubles crown by winning the doubles final 62, 64. Double crown in the tournament will make Rushil climb up to top ranking in the ATF U14 rankings.

Girls section was no different, with the top seed Karina Jumaznova (KAZ) winning the tournament without dropping a set defeating compatriot Asem Shoybek easily 62, 63. Karina too earned double crown at the tournament, when she later won the doubles partnering Sati Aubairova. Successful outing at the tournament helped Karina move upto number 2 in ATF 14 & under rankings.

### **ITF 12 & UNDER SOUTH EAST ASIAN QUALIFYING, PHILIPPINES**

South East Asian Regional Qualifying was held in Philippines. The top seeded nations prevailed on their strengths during the tournament. 5 nations were competing for 3 spots in the finals to be played in Kazakhstan later in the year. Indonesia and Thailand proved too strong for others in boy's and girl's events respectively, as they won all of their four ties with ease. Indonesia, Thailand and Malaysia qualified in boy's Section while Thailand , Malaysia and Philippines qualified in girls.



### **Coaches Section**

Amir Borghei Development Officers for Central and West Asia states "2019 has started as a very active year for the Asian Tennis in the area of coaching. The first five months of the year saw five different courses at different levels, planned based on the interests and the needs of the national federations and organized with the support of the ITF and the Olympic Solidarity and ATF"

**-ITF Physical Conditioning CBI (Level 1) Course - JORDAN** – This was the first CBI Conditioning Course across Asia and turned to be an ultimate success according to the very positive feedback from the participants. The content of the course prepares the candidates to deal with the physical aspect of the game in relations to the preparation of their beginner and intermediate tennis players.

**- ITF Play Tennis and Tutors Course - PAKISTAN** – this course familiarized a big group of coaches with the new-format ITF Play Tennis course and at the same time, few local tutors where trained to assist Pakistan Tennis Federation with the national coaches' education programmes at this level.

**- ITF Play Tennis Course - UAE** – Tennis Emirates gathered a group of interested candidates who would be the potential ones to assist in the JTI program to be kicked-off. Following this ITF Play Tennis Course, a short workshop was also organized on the introduction of the JTI program. Amir Borghei conducted the workshop, and the president of the Asian Tennis Federation, Mr. Anil Khanna, attended the opening and shared some words on the importance of the programme and the way forward for the project to be implemented.

**- ITF Play Tennis Tutors' Course - CHINA** – Chinese Tennis Association's target was to educate a group of new national tutors and at the same time familiarize the Chinese tutors with the most recent updates on the ITF Play Tennis Courses. Twenty-four tutors from different provinces of China attended the course. As a complementary program, a two-day "specific theme workshop" on "working with 14 and under players" was also organized before the main course.

**- ITF/OS CAP (Level 2) Course (April 24th-May 5th) – LEBANON** – The regional course for the West Asian coaches, welcomed twenty two coaches from Bahrain, Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Jordan and Lebanon. The 12-day programme was a great theory and practice opportunity for coaches to learn more about working with Advanced Tennis Players in Tennis.

### **Focus for month of JUNE 2019**

- Asian Under 14 Grade A Tournament, 25<sup>th</sup> May- 1<sup>st</sup> June, 2019 in Shymkent Kazakhstan.
- South East Asia- ITF 12&U Team Competition, 25<sup>th</sup> May -31<sup>st</sup> May, 2019 in Manila, Philippines.
- Sports Boulevard Asian Under 14, 1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 in New Delhi, India
- Penang 5<sup>th</sup> ATF 14&U Series, 17<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 in Hang Kok Long, Malaysia
- Utama International 14&U Junior Tournament, 22<sup>nd</sup> -28<sup>th</sup> June, 2019 in Hukoto-shi, Japan
- ATT, Men's 3K tournament, Gurugram –India-10<sup>th</sup>-16<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

