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Newsletter

IST Hispanic Coaches Workshop in the United States

"How Hispanic Coaches can impact tennis development in the United States"

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The First Workshop for Hispanic-speaking Coaches in the United States finished with great success.

This initiative was formed based on the intention of responding to requests that several coaches have expressed in respect to educational activities oriented towards Hispanic coaches.

Many coaches from south Florida attended; presentations covered the developmental path from beginners to high performance players.



Gustavo Granitto, Cheryl Rivera, Pierre Arnold and Nancy Horowitz opening the Workshop.

The main idea of the educational event was to show how a Hispanic coach can impact the development of tennis in the USA.

The workshop concluded with the program Quick Start presentation.

We wish to thank the organizations and companies that helped us organize the event.



Some coaches attending the Workshop.

- The **USTA** through its department of education for coaches, which has provided us with advise, support, and the presence of their principal experts, **Dr. Paul Lubbers** (Director of Coaching Education) and **David Roditi**, National Coach, USTA Player Development.
- The **Professional Tennis Registry**, for their support throughout their organization and providing the presence of **Iñaki Balzola**



Dr. Paul Lubbers, during his presentation.



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- Nancy Horowitz, Tennis Coordinator for the city of Pembroke Pines and my colleague Pierre Arnold for providing assistance as well as the Pembroke Lakes Racquet Club facilities.
- The **Florida USTA**, for promoting and transmitting the event.



David Roditi, during his presentation.

The support **Mena Travel Agency** has provided, support that makes them the agency that brings excellence for all Hispanic coaches and tennis players in South Florida.



Iñaki Balzola, during his presentation.

We would also like to thank **Dunlop** along with **Kirschbaum**. And **El Sentinel**, which considers this workshop an event directed

towards the service in the Hispanic/Latin community in South Florida.

Conclusions and next steps:

Comments recorded in and out of the presentation allow us to analyze regards to coaches have in their daily work and lets us search for new suggestions.



On court presentation.

The most important conclusions were:

- The necessity of continuous coaches education and
- The recognition of needs that are present at work.



Open discussion.

According to the experience, will be working in different proposals for a near future.

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Other view of the group.



David Roditi and Gustavo Granitto.



Yanquiel Medina got his certificate of attendance!



Dr. Paul Lubbers and Gustavo Granitto.



Some coaches during the certificate's ceremony.

It was a great pleasure for me has been part of this initiative.

In this first step the intention is to fill with interest all those organizations that can be involved in supporting the search for excellence in the Hispanic Tennis Coach, supporting at the same time, the tennis development in the United States.

Best regards

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