

TOURNAMENT NOTES

as of July 26, 2013

ODLUM BROWN VANOPEN PRESENTED BY INVESCO

VANCOUVER, BC • JULY 28 - AUGUST 4

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

Site: Hollyburn Country Club - Vancouver, B.C.

Websites: www.vanopen.com procircuit.usta.com

Facebook: Odlum Brown VanOpen

Twitter: @VanOpen

Qualifying Draw Begins: Sunday, July 28

Main Draw Begins: Tuesday, July 30

Main Draw: 32 Singles / 16 Doubles
Surface: Hard / Outdoor

Prize Money: \$100,000

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PRIZE MONEY / POINTS

SINGLES:	Prize Money	Ranking Points
Winner	\$15,200	140
Runner-up	\$8.107	100
Semifinalist	\$4,433	70
Quarterfinalist	\$2,533	36
Round of 16	\$1,520	18
Round of 32	\$887	1
DOUBLES:	Prize Money (per team)	
Winner	\$5,573	
Runner-up	\$2,787	
Semifinalist	\$1,393	
Quarterfinalist	\$760	
Round of 16	\$507	

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Sunday, July 28 Pro-Am

Monday, July 29 Kids' Day, 10:00 a.m.

USTA PRO CIRCUIT WOMEN'S TENNIS RETURNS TO VANCOUVER

The Odlum Brown VanOpen presented by Invesco women's event is taking place in Vancouver for the fifth straight year. The tournament is the only USTA Pro Circuit event held in Canada and is one of two \$100,000 events on the USTA Pro Circuit women's calendar (joining Midland, Mich.). It is held in conjunction with a men's \$100,000 Challenger. Last year, the tournament offered equal prize money for the men's and women's events for the first time. The tournament is also the second-to-last USTA Pro Circuit event before the US Open.

This tournament will be streamed live on procircuit.usta.com.

Notable players in the main draw include:

Su-Wei Hsieh, the No. 1 seed this year and the only player ranked among the Top 50 in singles, with a current ranking of No. 41. Hsieh is also ranked in the Top 10 in doubles after becoming the first player from Chinese Taipei ever to win a Grand Slam title, in women's doubles at Wimbledon this year with China's Shuai Peng. The 13-year veteran reached the quarterfinals of the WTA event in Kuala Lumpur earlier this year. In 2012, she won her first two WTA singles titles (in Kuala Lumpur and Guangzhou) and also made her Olympic debut by representing Chinese Taipei in the London Olympics. Hsieh has won 11 WTA doubles titles and two WTA singles titles. She has also captured 22 ITF Circuit titles





Former world No. 4 Kimiko Date-Krumm of Japan is the oldest woman competing on the WTA tour at age 42. Earlier this year she became the oldest woman in the Open era to win a match at a Grand Slam tournament, advancing to the third round at the Australian Open (and also at Wimbledon).

throughout her career, two of which came on the USTA Pro Circuit—the \$25,000 event in Peachtree City, Ga., in 2001 and the \$25,000 event in Redding, Calif., in 2007.

Japan's Kimiko Date-Krumm, who at 42 years old is the oldest woman competing on the WTA tour. She became the oldest woman in the Open era to win a match at a Grand Slam event when she advanced to the third round of the 2013 Australian Open, then broke her own record last month when she reached the third round at Wimbledon. The veteran reached a career-high ranking of No. 4 in 1995 and the Wimbledon singles semifinals in 1996 before retiring at the end of that year. It would be 13 years before she returned to professional tennis, in 2008. In her career, Date-Krumm has won eight WTA singles titles (the last coming in Seoul in 2009). She has also won six WTA doubles titles, including three so far in 2013.

Former world No. 32 Mirjana Lucic-Baroni advanced to the semifinals of Wimbledon in 1999 and also won the 1998 Australian Open doubles title with Martina Hingis.

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Chiara Scholl, who goes by the nickname "Chi Chi." Scholl won the singles and doubles titles in 2011 at the USTA Pro Circuit event in Lexington, Ky., and also won the \$25,000 event in El Paso, Texas, to jumpstart her career. In 2013, she played in qualifying at the Australian Open, French Open and Wimbledon, and last year she reached the semifinals of two USTA Pro Circuit events at the levels of \$50,000 and above. Scholl's younger sister, Chalena, is a world Top 15 junior who trains at the USTA Player Development Headquarters in Boca Raton, Fla.

Mirjana Lucic-Baroni, 31, who is an American citizen that plays for Croatia. Last month at Wimbledon, Lucic-Baroni reached the second round in singles and the quarterfinals in doubles, which marked her first Grand Slam quarterfinal in 14 years. In 2012, she reached the third round in singles of Wimbledon as a qualifier and upset then-world No. 9 Marion Bartoli, marking her first time beating a Top 10 player since 1999. Lucic-Baroni was one of the tennis' rising stars in the late 1990s, peaking at No. 32 in 1998 and advancing to the semifinals of Wimbledon in 1999. She also won the 1998 Australian Open doubles title with Martina Hingis and, in singles, advanced to the third round at the US Open in 1997 and 1998 and at the French Open in 2001. Lucic-Baroni, however, went into semiretirement in 2003, playing in just two events between the 2003 US Open and the 2007 WTA event in Memphis—both at the \$75,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Dothan, Ala. She officially launched her comeback in 2007 on the USTA Pro Circuit and won the first two USTA Pro Circuit titles of her comeback in 2010, finishing the year ranked in the Top 100 for the first time in 10 years.

Ajla Tomljanovic, who is one of the fastest-rising young players on tour, having jumped more than 300 places in the rankings already in 2013, largely due to her impressive results on the USTA Pro Circuit. She advanced to the final of the \$25,000 Pro Circuit event in Innisbrook, Fla., and the \$100,000 event in Midland, Mich., in early 2013. She backed that performance by reaching the fourth round of the WTA event in Miami and winning her first USTA Pro Circuit title of the year at the \$50,000 tournament in Dothan, Ala., this spring. At Wimbledon last month, Tomljanovic qualified for her first Grand Slam main draw. Her 2012 year was derailed by injury and she was limited to just six events all year, resulting in her using an injury-protected ranking to enter Midland this year.

Brianna Morgan, 19, who is a wild-card entrant into the main draw and made her breakthrough this summer on the USTA Pro Circuit. She won her first career singles title last month at the \$10,000 event in Bethany Beach, Del., then backed that up by coming through qualifying to reach the quarterfinals of the \$50,000 event in Portland, Ore., earlier this month. Morgan recently completed her freshman year at the University of Florida, where she went 28-5 for the Gators.

Notable players in the qualifying include:

Rising American player **Allie Will**, who jumped more than 150 spots in the rankings since turning pro last summer after completing her junior year at the University of Florida. Earlier this month she reached the semifinals of the \$50,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Sacramento, Calif., and she advanced to the final last September at the \$25,000 event in Redding, Calif. Her best results so far have come in doubles, with Will winning seven career ITF doubles titles, including four on the USTA Pro Circuit in 2013.

Sanaz Marand, who played for the University of North Carolina, where she received All-America honors and helped lead UNC to the NCAA team semifinals for the first time ever, in 2010. This year, she won her first career USTA Pro Circuit singles title at the \$25,000 event in El Paso, Texas. She also holds five USTA Pro Circuit doubles titles, with three coming in 2012. As a junior player, Marand reached the doubles final at the 2006 Easter Bowl with Ashley Weinhold.

Krista Hardebeck, who completed her freshman year at Stanford University in May and was named an All-American. As a former Top 30 junior, Hardebeck reached the semifinals of the 2012 Australian Open Junior Championship and advanced to the singles and doubles quarterfinals of the junior US Open in 2011. She also won both the Easter Bowl and USTA International Spring Championships in 2011 and peaked at No. 26 in the ITF World Junior Rankings in February 2012.

Former collegiate star **Natalie Pluskota**, who completed her stellar college career last year at the University of Tennessee. So far in 2013, she has reached the final of the \$10,000 USTA Pro Circuit event in Landisville, Pa. Pluskota has also enjoyed tremendous success in doubles on the USTA Pro Circuit with fellow American Jacqueline Cako. The pair won two doubles titles last year, at the \$25,000 event in Rock Hill, S.C., and the \$75,000 tournament in Phoenix, as well as advancing to the final of last year's event in Vancouver. Last week they reached the doubles quarterfinals at the Emirates Airline US Open Series event in Stanford, Calif.

Jacqueline Cako, who completed her outstanding NCAA career this year at Arizona State. She and fellow American Natalie Pluskota have done well in doubles together on the USTA Pro Circuit. The pair won two doubles titles last year, at the \$25,000 event in Rock Hill, S.C., and the \$75,000 tournament in Phoenix, as well as advancing to the final of last year's event in Vancouver. Last week, they reached the doubles quarterfinals at the Emirates Airline US Open Series event in Stanford, Calif.

*Player field subject to change

VANCOUVER PAST WINNERS					
Singles			Doubles		
Year	Winner	Runner-Up	Year	Winner	
2012	Mallory Burdette (USA)	Jessica Pegula (USA)	2012	Julia Glushko (ISR) — Olivia Rogowska (AUS)	
2011	Aleksandra Wozniak (CAN)	Jamie Hampton (USA)	2011	Karolina Pliskova (CZE) — Kristyna Pliskova (CZE)	
2010	Jelena Dokic (AUS)	Virginie Razzano (FRA)	2010	Kai-Chen Chang (TPE) — Heidi El Tabakh (CAN)	
2009	Stephanie Dubois (CAN)	Sania Mirza (IND)	2009	Ahsha Rolle (USA) — Riza Zalameda (USA)	

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USTA PRO CIRCUIT

With approximately 90 tournaments hosted annually throughout the country and prize money ranging from \$10,000 to \$100,000, the USTA Pro Circuit is the pathway to the US Open and tour-level competition for aspiring tennis players and a frequent battleground for established professionals. The USTA launched its Pro Circuit 34 years ago to provide players with the opportunity to gain professional ranking points, and it has since grown to become the largest developmental tennis circuit in the world, offering nearly \$3 million in prize money. Last year, more than 1,000 men and women from more than 70 countries competed in cities nationwide. Mardy Fish, Maria Sharapova, John Isner, Caroline Wozniacki, Sam Querrey, Victoria Azarenka and Andy Murray are among today's top stars who began their careers on the USTA Pro Circuit.

More recently, the USTA Pro Circuit helped launch the careers of two young Americans—Jack Sock and Grace Min. Sock began 2012 by winning the singles title and reaching the doubles final at the \$10,000 Futures in Plantation, Fla. He then reached the quarterfinals of the \$50,000 Challenger in Honolulu. With his strong USTA Pro Circuit results, Sock received wild cards into numerous Emirates Airline US Open Series events in the summer, reaching the quarterfinals in Atlanta. Sock then achieved the best result of his pro career by reaching the third round of the 2012 US Open as a wild card. Sock followed up his US Open results by winning his first career USTA Pro Circuit Challenger title at the \$100,000 event in Tiburon, Calif., in the fall and finished 2012 ranked a career-high No. 150 in the world. After winning the 2011 US Open girls' singles title, Min moved to the USTA Pro Circuit to develop her game. She opened



the year by winning the first women's tournament of 2012 at the \$25,000 event in Innisbrook, Fla. Later in the spring, she won back-to-back tournaments at the \$50,000 event in Indian Harbour Beach, Fla., and the \$25,000 tournament in Raleigh, N.C. She competed in qualifying in Emirates Airline US Open Series events throughout the summer and qualified in Stanford, Calif. Min, who trains at the USTA Training Center Headquarters in Boca Raton, Fla., entered the Top 200 for the first time in her career in 2012, climbing nearly 250 spots in the rankings by year's end.

PLAYER DEVELOPMENT

The USTA Player Development program identifies and develops the next generation of American champions by surrounding the top junior players and young pros with the resources, facilities and coaching they need to reach their maximum potential. The Player Development program is based at the USTA Training Center Headquarters in Boca Raton, Fla., and also utilizes Training Centers in Carson, Calif., and Flushing, N.Y., as well as a series of Certified Regional Training Centers located throughout the continental United States.

10 AND UNDER TENNIS

Tennis is now scaled to a child's age and size, using lower-bouncing and slower-moving balls, lighter and shorter racquets, and smaller courts. The modified equipment and smaller courts will allow kids to rally and play the game early on, increasing the likelihood that kids will return to the court and continue to improve all while having fun! For more information, visit www.10andundertennis.com

NJTL

Founded in 1969 by Arthur Ashe, the USTA/National Junior Tennis & Learning (NJTL) network is a nation-wide group of more than 660 non-profit youth development organizations that provide free or low cost tennis, education and life skills programming to more than 300,000 children each year, ages 6-18, making NJTL one of the USTA's largest community-based offerings.

US OPEN NATIONAL PLAYOFFS

The USTA launched the US Open
National Playoffs in 2010, making
the US Open "open" to anyone
age 14+ and of all skill levels.
Last year, more than 1,200 players
competed in 13 Sectional Qualifying
Tournaments nationwide for a 2012
US Open Qualifying Tournament
wild card. A mixed doubles element



also was held, with the winning team earning a main draw mixed doubles wild card. Clement Reix, a 28-year-old Frenchman living in Reno, Nev., won the US Open National Playoffs men's title and USTA Pro Circuit regular Alexandra Mueller, 24, of Abington, PA, won the women's wild card for the second time in three years. Nicole Melichar and Brian Battistone won the mixed doubles tournament. The 2013 US Open National Playoffs — Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles Championships are August 16-19 in New Haven, Conn.