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1-CAT Offices Visits

Mr DAVE MILEY VISITED CAT

Mr Dave Miley Executive Director of Development in the ITF has done a short visit to CAT Headquarters in Tunis, and has particulary meet Mr Tarak Cherif CAT President and Hichem Riani General Manager. Many subjects regarding Development of Tennis in Africa were discussed. Mr Dave Miley has visited the CAT Offices and declared that he is very satisfied with the good condition of work; he has also met the Technical Director of the Tunisian Tennis Federation, visited the National Tennis Centre and attended a National Coaches Course.





Dave Miley & Tarak Chérif

Dave Miley & Hichem Riani

Mr MOHAMED M'JID VISITED CAT

Mr Mohamed M'JID, President of the « Fédération Royale Marocaine de Tennis » was invited by Mr Tarak Cherif CAT President for a two days visit to Tunisia 30 March- 1 April.

Mr M'JID has visited the New CAT Offices and conversed with CAT President and CAT General Manager and provided his recommendations to hoist African Tennis to a better level

Mr Mohamed M'JID was received by the Minister of Youth Sport and Physical Education of Tunisia Mr Abdallah Kaabi and has also a long meeting with the Tunisian Tennis Federation Staff in order to maintain cooperation and exchanges between the Tunisian Tennis Federation and Moroccan Tennis Federation and all National Federations in the North Africa Region.

It's important to mention that Mr Mohamed M'JID has offered 2 Wild Cards for the Winners of the last African Nations Cup (CAN 2005) to participate in the Main Draw of "Trophée Hassen II" (415 000\$) for Men and "Trophée Lalla Meryam" (145 000\$) for Women.







Mr Mohamed M'jid around Hichem Riani and Tarak Cherif in front of CAT Offices

2- CAT General Meeting

CAT GENERAL MEETING

The Annual General Meeting of the Confederation of African Tennis will be held on Thursday 13 April 2006 at 9H00 in the Conference Hall of Hotel Movenpick Cairo-Heliopolis with the participation of delegates from all affiliated National Association to CAT.

The Agenda of the AGM :

- 1-Allowance and Greeting Message from the CAT President
- Message of Mr Francesco Ricci Bitti ,ITF President 2-
- 3-Approval of Minutes of 2005 AGM
- 4-CAT Financial Report
- 5-Report of CAT General Manager
- 6-CAT Meeting in Prague
- New CAT Constitution 7-
- CAT Executive Committee Tunis November 2005 8-
- 9-Development Committee
- 10-Zone President's Report
- 11- Intervention of Mr Dave Miley, ITF Executive Director Development.
- 12- African Junior Championships (AJC), Presentation of New Format.
- 13- African Nations Cup Tunis 2005: Report
- 14- CAT Headquarters
- 15- CAT Project.
- 16- Sponsoring
- 17-Officiating : Project 2006 18- Date & Venue of the next CAT AGM
- 19- Other business



27 Nations have already confirmed their participation in CAT General Meeting represented by 33 Delegates: Algeria- Angola- Botswana -Burkina Faso- Burundi -Cameroon- Congo Democratic- Egypt-Ethiopia-Ghana-Kenya-Lesotho-Libya-Madagascar-Mali-Morocco-Mauritius-Namibia-Nigeria-Rwanda-Senegal-Sierra Leone-South Africa - Sudan-Togo-Tunisia- Zimbabwe.

3- African Junior Championships





SMASH TENNIS ACADEMY HOSTING THE 29th AFRICAN JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS CAIRO-EGYPT 4 - 16 APRIL 2006.

The Smash Tennis Academy is a club situated in a very quite, unpolluted area. The club's landscaping was designed by a French designer. Smash contains 15 clay international standard courts.

Green areas with seating facilities surround the courts with a 300m jogging track, in addition of a very nice 25m indoor swimming pool. The club-house consists of two floors plus a roof and basement

The first floor has a reception area, lobby, pro-shop, Nautilus multi-gym, changing rooms, lounge and terrace serving drinks and snacks with a view of the interior patio. On the second floor, an elegant restaurant is undergoing construction. There are also specially designed aerobics classes with shock absorber parquet floors. Smash Tennis also contains a clinic for the physiotherapist and the academic tennis classes.







4- Federation's News

Gabon – GAB Fédération Gabonaise de Tennis New email:fegaten@yahoo.fr

Libya - LBA Libyan Tennis Federation New President: Mr Murad Husen Halal New Secretary: Mr Khaled Zankouli

Tanzania - TAN Tanzania Lawn Tennis Association

Mauritanie - MTN Fédération Mauritanienne de Tennis New General Secretary: Mr Dah Abdi Ould Said New Email: mauritennis2006@hotmail.com

Namibia - NAM Namibia Tennis Association New address: PO Box 11393, Windhoek New Tel: +264 61 227764 New Fax: +264 61 237078 New email: mouldwhk@iafrica.com.na

Zambia - ZAM Zambia Lawn Tennis Association New Tel: +260 241 2301 New Fax: +260 241 1345

New Email: ijn@mfa.no

Togo - TOG Federation Togolaise de Tennis BP 12720 Lomé – Togo Tel: +228 904 36 36 / 221 30 58 New President: Mr Atafeitom Tagba New Secretary: Mrs Akuete-Djeha Essi Séféli Email: a_tagba@yahoo.fr

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EAST AFRICAN NATIONS REGIONAL MEETING 11 & 12 MARCH 2006. NAIROBI - KENYA



The first East African Nations Meeting was held in Nairobi the 11^{th} and 12^{th} of March 2006.

Karl Davis, acting ITF Project Administrator, Houmed Houssein- CAT Vice President & African Zone IV President, Prince Madema – ITF Development Officer of East Africa and delegates of Burundi, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda, Seychelles, Sudan, and Tanzania attended this important meeting.

Several subjects were discussed during that meeting as the regional calendar of tournaments, Prize Money circuits and Futures Tournament in the region, the Airfares Fees and the difficulties to travel between the different countries in the region...

By the end of the meeting, participants decided to form an Interim Regional Committee called East Africa Tennis Association (E.A.T.A), Chaired by Mr Ahmed A. Hashim from Sudan and the members are the representative of Burundi, Ethiopia, Kenya, Rwanda and Tanzania Tennis Associations. The new Committee agreed to meet in Egypt during the CAT AGM.





SOUTHERN AFRICAN NATIONS REGIONAL MEETING PRETORIA - SOUTH AFRICA 21-22 JANUARY 2006.



The first Southern African Nations Meeting was held inPretoria the 21st and 22nd of January 2006.

Karl Davis, acting ITF Project Administrator, Johann Koorts CAT Vice President & African Zone V President, Prince Madema – ITF Development Officer of East Africa, Sami Sidia ITF Development Officer of Southern Africa and delegates of Botswana, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Mauritius, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland and Zambia attended this important meeting.

Several subjects were discussed during that meeting as the Regional Calendar of Tournaments, Communication, Equipments, Development Plan, Sponsorship/Marketing, Functions of the National Associations and facilities...

By the end of the meeting, participants decided to form an Interim Regional Committee called Association of Southern African Tennis (A.S.A.T), Chaired by Mr Johann Koorts (South Africa) and members Mr Akhtar Toorawa (Mauritius) and Mr Nelson Amanze (Botswana) The new Committee agreed to meet in Egypt during the CAT AGM.





6-African Ranking : 3 April 2006.

TOP TEN ITF JUNIOR RANKING

BOY	S
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1- (25) VITULLI Christian	KEN
2- (98) KILANI Wael	TUN
3- (113) HOUSSEM Yassine	MAR
4- (138) MBAREK Slah	TUN
5- (161) WILLIAMS Brad Brinkhause	RSA
6- (186) MENSAH Emmanuel	GHA
7- (187) ROELOFSE Ruan	RSA
8- (189) RAMIARAMANAN Lofo	MAD
9- (212) KAMEL Mahmoud	EGY
10- (222) SETSHOGO Bokang	BOT

TOP TEN MEN ATP RANKING

1- (69) MOODIE Wesley	RSA
2- (153) DE VOEST Rick	RSA
3-(183) EL AYNAOUI Younes	MAR
4- (268) SAOUDI Slimane	ALG
5- (283) ADJEI-DARKO Henry	GHA
6- (288) OUAHAB Lamine	ALG
7- (324) JAZIRI Malek	TUN
8- (390) MAAMOUN Karim	EGY
9- (395) LOGLO Komlavi	TOG
10- (406) ANDERSON Andrew	RSA

7- Results of African Tournaments

Men Circuits - Results

*Future Nigeria F1: 15 000 \$ - Bénin City 20 -26 Février 2006
Men Singles:
Frederico Gil (POR) - Valentin Sanon (CIV) 7/6(2) 7/6(3)
Men Doubles:
Abdul-Munim Babalola / Jonathan Igbinovia (NGR) - Federico Gil (POR)/ Nick Monroe
(USA) 6/3 6/7(4) 6/3
* Future Nigeria F2: 15 000 \$ - Bénin City du 27 Février - 05 Mars 2006
Men Singles:
Nick Monore (USA) - Goncalo Nicau (POR) 6/3 6/4
Men Doubles:
Abdul-Mumin Babalola / Jonathan Igbinovia (NGR) - Komlavi Loglo (Tog) / Valentin
Sanon (CIV) 6/1 7/6 (4)
* Future Egypt F1: 10 000 \$ - Cairo du 06 – 12 Mars
Men Singles:
Michal NavratilL (CZE) - Teodor-Dacian CRACIUN (ROM) 7/5 6/2
Men Doubles:
Elgin (RUS) / Thompson (NZL) - Masik (CZE) / Navratil (CZE) 6/2 6/2
* Future Morroco F1 : 10 000 \$ - Agadir du 06 – 12 Mars
Men Singles:
Mehdi TAHIRI (MAR) - Hicham ARAZI (MAR) 6/2 1/2
Men Doubles:
Colangelo (ITA) / Crugnola (ITA) - Knittel (GER) / Scherer (GER) 6/1 6/4
* Future Egypt F2: 10 000 \$ - Port Said 13 – 19 March
Men Singles:
Jan Masik (CZE) - Michal Navratil (CZE) 6/2 6/3
Men Doubles
Dolgopolov (UKR) / Petrazzuolo (ITA) - Kanev (BUL) / Rusevski (MKD) 6/1 6/2
* Future Morroco F2 : 10 000 \$ - Marrakech 13 – 19 March
Men Singles
Eric Prodon (FRA) - Fabio Colangelo (ITA) 6/3 6/3
Men Doubles
Colangelo (ITA) / Crugnola (ITA) - Kamynin (UKR) / Smirnov (UKR) 7/5 5/7 6/2
* Future Egypt F3: 10 000 \$ 20 - 25 March
Men Singles:
Aleksandr Jr. DOLGOPOLOV (UKR) - Michael NAVRATIL (CZE) 76(2) 64
Men Doubles:
HAMED (EGY) / SABRY (EGY) - ELGIN (RUS) / NAVRATIL (CZE)
* Future Morocco F3: 10 000 \$ 20 - 25 March
Men Singles:
Dusan KAROL (CZE) - Jeremy CHARDY (FRA) 36 63 76(7)
Men Doubles:
CHARDY (FRA) / KAROL (CZE) - COLANGELO (ITA) / CRUGNOLA (ITA) 75 75

TOP TEN ITF JUNIOR RANKING GIRLS

UIKLS	
1- (115) MAWISIRE Fadzai	ZIM
2- (193) OLIVIER Engela	RSA
3- (233) EL ALLAMI Fatima	MAR
4- (262) SUTHERLAND Justine	RSA
5- (266) OLIVIER Abigail	RSA
6- (322) DAVIN Suzelle	NAM
7- (347) DHAOUI Olfa	TUN
8- (361) SMITH Nicole	RSA
9- (397) HINES Chane	RSA
10- (405) PRINGLE Jane	RSA

TOP TEN WOMEN WTA RANKING

1- (179) GRANDIN	Natalie	RSA
2- (207) BLACK	Cara	ZIM
3- (210) SFAR	Selima	TUN
4- (235) SCHEEPERS	Chanelle	RSA
5- (296) DE BEER	Surina	RSA
6- (448) MEDJAHDI	Samia	ALG
7- (552) MOUHTASSIN	vE Bahia	MAR
8- (567) PILLAY	Alicia	RSA
9- (574) DU PLESSIS	Lizaan	RSA
10-(995) EKE	Hannah	NIG

Women Circuits - Results:

* Nigeria 1 Benin City- 10 000 \$ 20-26 February 2006 Women Singles: Nungnadda Wannasuk (THA) - Nathalia Rossi (BRA) 6/2 6/1 Women Doubles: Lobbinger (BEL) / Vranceanu (GER) - Phadke (IND) / Weyreuter (ARG) 7/5 6/2 *<u>Nigeria 2 Bénin City – 10 0008 27February- 5 March 2006</u> Women Singles: Nathalia Rossi (BRA) - Davinia Lobbinger (BEL) 62 36 63 Women Doubles: Phadke (IND) / Weyreuter (ARG) - Lobbinger (BEL)/Vranceanu (GER) 7/6(4) 6/2 *Egypt 1 Cairo – 10 000\$ 13 - 19 March 2006 Women Singles: Galina Fokina (RUS) - Silvia Disderi (ITA) 7/5 6/3 Women Doubles: Brozda (POL) / Disderi (ITA) - Avdiyenko (UKR) / Kuryanovich (BLR) 6/3 6/1* Egypt 2 El Mansoura 20 – 25 March 2006. Women Singles: Corina-Claudia CORDUNEANU (ROM) - Stella MENNA (ITA) 61 76(2) Women Doubles: AVDIYENKO (UKR) / KURYANOVICH (BLR) - ANDREI (ROM) / LUKIC (SCG) 62 61

ITF Junior Tournaments - Results

* Nigeria (G 4) 22 – 06 January 2006. **Boys Singles:** Henry Atseye (NGR) - Menford Owusu (GHA) 6/3 6/4 **Boys Doubles:** Dickson (NGR) / Emmanuel (NGR) - Hindolo (SLE) / Litzlfellner (AUT) 6/1 1/6 6/4 **Girls Singles:** Jeaninne Prentner (AUT) - Ronke Akingbade (NGR) 6/0 6/2 Girls Doubles: Jagtiani (IND) / Prentner (AUT) - Gbadamosi (NGR) / Samuel (NGR) 6/3 6/2 * Benin (G 4) 8-12 January 2006. Boys Singles: Menford Owusu (GHA) - Jean Segodo (BEN) 6/1 6/4 **Boys Doubles:** Mensah (GHA) / Nortey (GHA) - Arthur (GHA) / Owusu (GHA) 3/6 7/63 6/2 **Girls Singles:** Jeaninne Prentner (AUT) - Nimom Segodo (BEN) 6/0 6/3 **Girls Doubles:** Prentner (AUT) / Segodo (BEN) - Coleman (GHA) / Kudjoe (GHA) 6/0 6/2 * Algeria- Oran (G 4) 6 – 10 March 2006 **Boys Singles:** Mehdi Bouabbane (ALG) - Mohamed Safwat (EGY) 2/6 6/0 7/64 **Boys Doubles:** Bouabbane (ALG) / Safwat (EGY) - Palinic (CRO) / Strunnikov (RUS) 6/2 4/6 6/3 **Girls Singles:** Amira Ben Aissa (ALG) - Sara Meghoufel (ALG) 7/66 6/4 **Girls Doubles:** Larriere (FRA) / Meghoufel (ALG) - Romeo-Loredana (ITA) / Santini (CRO) 5/7 6/2 6/2 * Algérie- Tlemcen(G 5) 13 – 17 March 2006 **Boys Singles:** Slah MBAREK (TUN) - Revaz OSADZE (GEO) 6/4 6/3 **Boys Doubles:** Osadze (GEO) / Safwat (EGY) - Kushakov (UKR) / Wasfy (MAR) 6/2 6/2 **Girls Singles:** Petra Santini (CRO) - Victoria Larriere (FRA) 6/4 6/4 **Girls Doubles** Larriere (FRA) / Meghoufel (ALG) - Romeo- Loredana (ITA)/Santini (CRO) 6/73 6/2 6/0 * Tunisia – Sfax (G3) 20 – 25 March 2006. Boys Singles: Nassim SLILAM (FRA) - Slah MBAREK (TUN) 64 63 **Boys Doubles:** BEDENE (SLO) / SOUSA (POR) - GROENENDAAL (NED) / PASTOORS (NED) 46 63 75 **Girls Singles** Sandra ROMA (SWE) - Jasmina KAJTAZOVIC (SLO) 64 61 Girls Doubles: KAJTAZOVIC (SLO) / RADOVANOVIC (FRA) - ROMA (SWE) / TOLJAN (AUT) 64 62

Prize Money- Results

Burundi- Bujumbura 9-12 February Men Singles Tongoona Gwinyai (Zim) - Hagenimana Eric (Rwa) 6/4 6/4 Men Doubles Chidzikwe Genius (ZIM)/Tongoona Gwinyai (ZIM) - Kazembe Edgar (Zam) /Gasigwa Jean Claude (Rwa) 6/2 6/2 Women Singles Otula Evelyne (KEN) - Oduor Carline (KEN) 6/0 6/02 Women Doubles Otula Evelyn (Ken)/Orwa Tamara (Ken) - Osogo Veronica (Ken)/Oduor Caroline (Ken) 6/3 5/7 6/1 <u>* Rwanda- Kigali 16-19 February</u> Men Singles Chidzikwe Genius (Zim) - Tongoona Gwinyai (Zim) 6/4 6/2 Men Doubles Chidzikwe Genius (ZIM)/Tongoona Gwinyai (ZIM) - Hagenimana Eric(Zim) /Hakizimana Allain(Rwa) 6/0 6/2 Women Singles Otula Evelyn (Ken) - Orwa Tamara (Ken) 3/6 6/4 6/2 Women Doubles Oduor Carline (KEN)/Orwa Tamara (Ken) -Otula Evelyn (Ken)/Osogo Veronica (Ken)4/6 7/5 7/6 5 Senegal- Dakar 16-19 February **Men Singles** Ndiaye Daouda (SEN) - Sangare Nouhoun (CIV) 6/2 4/6 7/6(2) **Men Doubles** Ndiaye Daouda (SEN) / Sangare Nouhoun (CIV) - Dabire Sansan (BF) / Sigue Aboubacar (BF) 7/5 6/7 6/3 Women Singles Berthe Assa (SEN) - Mayou Sadiétou (TOG) 6/3 6/3 **Women Doubles** Berthe Assa (Sen) / Mayou Sadiétou (Tog) - Gueye Marième Soda (Sen) / Berthe Vanessa (Sen) 6/0 6/3 * Mali – Bamako 23 – 26 February Men Singles Ndiave Daouda (SEN) - Lonfo Zakaria 6/1 7/5 Men Doubles Dabire Sansan (BF) / Sigue Aboubacar (BF) - Diallo Amadou (Mali) / Keïta Batiécoro (Mali) 6/4 6/3 * Uganda- Kampala du 23 – 26 February Men Singles Chidzikwe G. (Zim.) - Tongoona G. (Zim.) 4/6 6/1 6/3 **Men Doubles** Chidzikwe G. /Tongoona G - Rogoi. / Wamukowa M. 6/2 7/5 Women Singles Otula Evelyn. (Ken.) - Oduor C (Ken.) 6/3 7/5 Women Doubles Orwa T. / Odour C. - Otula E. /Osogo V 6/4 6/3

8- Upcoming Tournaments : April-May 2006.

• <u>I T F Juniors</u> Egypt (Gr-3) : 4 - 8 April 2006

Egypt (Gr-B2) : 10 -16 April 2006 Algeria (Gr-5) : 15 -19 Mai 2006 Algeria (Gr-4) : 22 - 26 May 2006 Morocco (Gr-4) : 29 May – 3 June 2006

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Sudan : 17- 20 May 2006 Sudan Open: 21 – 24 May 2006. Ethiopia : 25 - 28 May 2006 Kenya : 1 – 4 June 2006 • <u>I T F Men's Future</u> Morocco (4) 15 000 \$: 10 - 16 April 2006 Morocco (5) 15 000 \$: 17 - 23 April 2006 Tunisia (1) 10 000\$: 29 May - 4 June 2006

• <u>*WTA Challenger*</u> Morocco : Trophée Lalla Maryem 145 000 \$: 15 – 21 May 2006.

ITF Seniors Circuit

Tunisia Gr- 4 : 3 - 8 April 2006 Tunisia Gr-4 & South Africa (Gr- B) : 17 - 22 April 2006 South Africa (Gr - A) : 23 - 30 April 2006

• <u>I T F Women's Circuit</u> Egypt (3) 10 000 \$: 27 March - 2 April 2006 Morocco (2) 10 000 \$: 8 May- 14 May 2006 • <u>ATP Challenger</u> Morocco : Trophée Hassen II 415 000 \$: 24 – 29 April 2006. Tunisia : Open de Tunis 125 000 \$ 1 – 6 May 2006.

9 – Diverse Information

DR MOHAMED BOUABDALLAH HOSPITALISED



Dr Bouabdallah at the left with Mr Koorts

We were informed by the Algerian Tennis Federation that Dr Mohamed Bouabdallah, President of the "Fédération Algérienne de Tennis" and CAT Vice President has performed recently a surgery. Mr Tarak Chérif, President of the Confederation of African Tennis et and all members of the Executive Committee wishes to Dr Bouabdallah a prompt recovery.

AFRICANS IN THE ITF COMMITTEES AND

COMMISSIONS ITF Board & Development Advisors Group : Mr Ismail El Shafei (EGY) Olympic Committee : Mr Tarak Cherif (TUN) Junior Competitions Committee : Mr Leon Freimond (RSA) Seniors Committee : Ms Lorna Krog (RSA) Coach Commission: Chairman: Mr Ismail El Shafei (EGY) Mr Hichem Riani (TUN) Mr Hisham Nasser (EGY)

Seven Countries take part in East Africa Training Camp

An ITF East Africa Training Camp was held in Bujumbura, Burundi on 11-18 March. Prince Madema, ITF Development Officer for East Africa, selected up-and-coming players from seven countries to attend a two-day training camp followed by two three-day tournaments. The camp, for players aged 11-13, was conducted by Rosemary Owino, a Level Two coach from Kenya, with the assistance of Coaches Placement Programme (CPP) coordinators Thiery Ntwali of Rwanda and John Oduke of Uganda.

Players from countries that have good juniors emerging from the Junior Tennis Initiative (JTI) and CPP programmes were invited to attend the camp. In total, 24 boys and girls from Ethiopia, Sudan, Uganda, Kenya, Rwanda, Tanzania and the host nation Burundi took part, and as a result of the selection process a higher level of play was in evidence. Meaza Teklbrhan (ETH) and Jimmy Nsabimana (BUR) went on to win both of their events.

The purpose of the training camps is to identify talent, raise the level of junior players in the region, evaluate the level of play, and then for recommendations to be made for a follow-up programme for the most talented players. The coordinators are keen for this type of event to be organised annually in order to strengthen the field in the East Africa 13 and Under Circuit later in the year.

Madema said: "Other countries in the region have also experienced success with the JTI and CPP programmes and, although there is still a lot of room for improvement, these programmes have helped nations to improve the level of their players. The numbers participating in regional events are on the increase but there is still a need for nations to stage more junior events in their respective countries."

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