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29th

ITF Seniors World Individual Championships

Fact Sheet & Entry Form

3 – 10 May 2009

Beach Club Font de Sa Cala, Mallorca, Spain



Federació de Tennis de les Illes Balears



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ENTRY DEADLINE: Monday 23 March 2009

(Note: The ITF will only confirm receipt of a player's entry if provided with an email address. Alternatively a list of entrants will be posted on the ITF website at www.itftennis.com/seniors)

For all other enquiries please telephone, fax or email the ITF Seniors department, contact details as below:

Tel: 44 (0)20 8392 4651; Fax: 44 (0)20 8392 4737 or 4735

Email: seniors@itftennis.com

SINGLES ENTRIES

Online entry will be available from 6 January 2009 on the ITF Seniors Website at the following address: <http://www.itftennis.com/seniors/worldchampionships/onlineentryform.asp>

All players are required to enter online or to complete and submit the entry form by the due deadline (23 March). **No** player, including team players, may arrive on site and expect to compete without having entered by the due deadline and having paid their entry fee in advance.

MAIN DRAW SINGLES EVENT

The Main Draw is scheduled to commence on Sunday 3 May 2009. **All players must be available to play on this date if required.** Players must note that if they receive a bye in the first round they may not be required on the first scheduled day. Every effort will be made to avoid requiring a Seniors World Team Championship competitor to play on Sunday 3 May, but this cannot be guaranteed.

DOUBLES ENTRIES

NEW PROCEDURE SINCE 2008: DOUBLES ENTRIES WILL CLOSE ON MONDAY 23 MARCH. THERE WILL BE NO SIGN-IN ON SITE AND ALL PLAYERS WISHING TO PLAY DOUBLES MUST HAVE ENTERED BY THE ENTRY DEADLINE.

All players are required to enter online or to complete and submit the entry form by the due deadline (23 March).

PLAYERS ENTERED IN DOUBLES WITHOUT A PARTNER HAVE UNTIL 13 APRIL 2009 TO MATCH UP AS DOUBLES PAIRS WITH OTHER PLAYERS ENTERED IN DOUBLES WITHOUT A PARTNER.

It is the player's responsibility to find a doubles partner. The ITF will not match any players to form a doubles pair.

After 13th April, it will only be possible to change the doubles partner due to injury. The newly found partner must have already entered the doubles event. It is not allowed to break up existing doubles pairs in order to find a replacement for an injured partner.

In order to assist players without a partner in finding a suitable doubles partner, event entry lists will be published on a regular basis on the ITF Seniors website from 19 January 2009 onwards. Participants also have the option of authorising the ITF to release some of their personal data (telephone number/email address) to other participants who wish to get in touch with them.

In order to use this service, participants simply need to agree to the "Doubles Release" option on the Online Entry Form or tick the Doubles Release Box on the Player Release Form (page 5 of this Fact Sheet).

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Details of Venue:

Beach Club Font de Sa Cala
Avda. Canyamel s/n
07580 Capdepera
Mallorca
Spain

Tel: +34 971 563 291 / +34 961 565 611
Fax: +34 971 565 580
Website: www.beachclub-fontdesacala.com

Secondary venues:

Club de Tennis Aguait
07590 Cala Ratjada
Mallorca
Spain

Tel: +34 971 818 697
Website: www.tenisaguait.com

Hotel Na Taconera
Urb. Na Taconera
07589 Capdepera
Mallorca
Spain

Tel: +34 971 563 562
Fax: +34 971 563 817
Website: www.nataconera.com

Draw and Match Times:

For information regarding the draw and schedule during the World Championships please call the ITF office at Beach Club Font de Sa Cala, telephone number to be confirmed, or log on to the ITF website at www.itftennis.com/seniors.

ITF Seniors Committee Representative

Peter Nader

ITF Referee:

Tom Kinloch

Tournament Director:

Roberto Perez

Assistant Referee:

Laszlo Nyiro

ITF Photographer

Sergio Carmona

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Online entries can be made from 6th January on the ITF Seniors website at
<http://www.itftennis.com/seniors/worldchampionships/onlineentryform.asp>

If you do not enter online, entry forms, player agreement & release forms, entry fees (cheques) and credit card forms should be sent to:

ITF Seniors World Individual Championships
Seniors Department
International Tennis Federation
Bank Lane, Roehampton, LONDON, SW15 5XZ, UK

Tel: +44 (0)20 8392 4651; Fax: +44 (0)20 8392 4737 / 4735

Email: seniors@itftennis.com

Cheques should be made payable to **“ITF Ltd”**.

Please note that under the terms of regulation 41(a) of Section I of the Seniors Regulations, entries will only be accepted if accompanied by the appropriate entry fee.

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ENTRY FORM (ONLY TO BE SUBMITTED IF YOU ARE NOT ENTERING ONLINE)

Please return the Entry Form, Entry Fee, Player Agreement & Release Forms duly completed. Note that players may only enter a maximum of two events e.g. 1 x singles and 1 x doubles. It is no longer possible to enter 2 x singles or 2 x doubles.

ENTRIES CLOSE: Monday 23 March 2009

ENTRY FEE: US\$125 (£88 / €98)

Please complete in BLOCK CAPITALS

FAMILY NAME			
GIVEN NAME(S)			
MALE/FEMALE			
NATIONALITY			
DATE OF BIRTH	DATE:	MONTH:	YEAR: 19
ADDRESS			
COUNTRY			
TELEPHONE NUMBER			
MOBILE TEL. NUMBER	(FOR CONTACT ON SITE)		
FAX NUMBER			
EMAIL ADDRESS			

Please tick here if you are representing your country in the ITF Seniors World Team Championships 2009

Events played at the ITF Seniors World Individual Championships:

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|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| Event 1: Men's 35 Singles | Event 11: Men's 35 Doubles |
| Event 2: Men's 40 Singles | Event 12: Men's 40 Doubles |
| Event 3: Men's 45 Singles | Event 13: Men's 45 Doubles |
| Event 4: Men's 50 Singles | Event 14: Men's 50 Doubles |
| Event 5: Men's 55 Singles | Event 15: Men's 55 Doubles |
| Event 6: Women's 35 Singles | Event 16: Women's 35 Doubles |
| Event 7: Women's 40 Singles | Event 17: Women's 40 Doubles |
| Event 8: Women's 45 Singles | Event 18: Women's 45 Doubles |
| Event 9: Women's 50 Singles | Event 19: Women's 50 Doubles |
| Event 10: Women's 55 Singles | Event 20: Women's 55 Doubles |

Please fill in the event(s) you wish to enter below. Please indicate your doubles partner's name.

THERE WILL BE NO DOUBLES SIGN-IN ON SITE AND DOUBLES ENTRIES WILL CLOSE ON 23 MARCH 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE REFER TO PAGE 1 OF THE FACT SHEET.

	EVENT NUMBER	EVENT NAME	Partner's Name, if doubles
1 st event			
2 nd event			

It is no longer possible to enter 2 x singles or 2 x doubles.

ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT AN ACCOMPANYING ENTRY FEE OF US\$125 (£88 or €98)

ALL PLAYERS MUST BE AVAILABLE TO PLAY ON SUNDAY 3 MAY 2009

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DOUBLES RELEASE

If you have entered doubles without a partner you can authorise the ITF to release some of your personal information to players who wish to get in touch with you.

Please tick here if you agree that your personal details (email address and/or telephone number) may be released to players who contact the ITF in order to find a doubles partner

PLAYER AGREEMENT AND RELEASE

To: **ITF Ltd (International Tennis Federation)**

In consideration of your agreement to allow me to participate in the 29th ITF Seniors World Individual Championships ("the Event") I hereby:

1. agree to encourage and maintain high standards of conduct, fair play and good sportsmanship, and to avoid any acts which may be considered detrimental to the game of tennis. I am aware that the Event shall take place in accordance with the Seniors Regulations 2009, the Seniors Circuit Code of Conduct, the Constitution of ITF Limited and the Rules of Tennis adopted by the ITF. In submitting my entry into the Event I undertake to abide by and fulfil all my obligations under the above-mentioned Rules and Regulations. I also agree to co-operate in good faith with others and to respect playing rules and schedules and, to the extent applicable, travel arrangements and accommodation;
2. agree and consent to my performance or appearance in the Event being photographed, filmed and/or recorded in any medium, and that such stills, film or recording in whole or in part may at your absolute discretion be incorporated in any form of television transmission, publication, film and videogram, or other electronic media of whatever nature now or hereafter invented throughout the world in perpetuity, and consent to the reproduction and use of my name, voice, likeness, performance or biographical details for the purposes of advertising, publicity or otherwise in relation to the exploitation of such film or recording, and the promotion of the Event and the commercial rights thereto;
3. agree that you shall be entitled at any time to assign or licence the whole or any part of the benefit of this Release to any third party.
4. agree in submitting an entry form into the Event I agree, as a condition of entry, that for myself and my executors, administrators, heirs and personal representatives, all claims of any kind, nature and description are waived, including past, present or future claims and injuries if any sustained in travelling to or from or participating in the Event, against the ITF, the host venue, its officers and Volunteers, the Regional Association or National Association sanctioning this event.

I confirm I have read the above terms, Rules and Conditions and agree to abide and be bound by them together with the conditions of entry provided within this form and that I enclose my Championships entry fee herewith

Name of Player: _____
(Block Capitals)

Signature: _____

Date: _____

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY THE PLAYER ONLY

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RULES & CONDITIONS

REFEREE: Tom Kinloch

ENTRY DEADLINE: Monday 23 March 2009 (date as postmark)

The competition will take place in accordance with the Rules of Tennis and the Rules of the ITF, which includes the Regulations for the ITF Seniors World Individual Championships.

1. EVENTS AND ENTRIES

- a. Championship Events:**
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|--------|--|
| MEN: | 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 (singles and doubles) |
| WOMEN: | 35, 40, 45, 50, 55 (singles and doubles) |

All age categories will be played on red clay.

- b. Entry Deadline:** The entry deadline will be strictly applied to all competitors, without exception.
- c. Eligibility:** Only those players whose National Association is affiliated to the ITF and who have reached, or will have reached, the minimum age limit of the category entered on or before 31 December 2009, shall be eligible to compete.
Passports showing name, nationality and date of birth will be requested on site by the ITF.
- d. Qualifying:** Should the number of entries exceed the number of places in the draw, a qualifying event shall be held for Spanish national players only. Players will be advised by letter or email (to the address indicated on their entry form) if they are required to participate in qualifying.
- e. Doubles Entries:** **NEW PROCEDURE SINCE 2008: DOUBLES ENTRIES WILL CLOSE ON MONDAY 23 MARCH. For further details please refer to page 2 of the fact sheet.**
- f. Accreditation:** The accreditation desk will be open daily, times to be confirmed. All players are required to register.
- g. Consolation Event:** Consolation events for first match singles losers shall be held. There will be world-ranking points awarded for the ITF Seniors Ranking in the Consolation event. Consolation will be played with used tennis balls. The consolation will be played best of two tiebreak sets with a match tiebreak instead of a third set.

2. ENTRY FEE

- a.** Entries will NOT be accepted without the entry fee of **US\$125 (£88 or €98)** which is payable **per person** whether for entry into singles AND doubles or singles OR doubles ONLY.

- Methods of payment
 - Secure Online Payment by Credit Card (via Online Entry Page at www.itftennis.com/seniors), amounts will be deducted in US\$, UK £ Sterling or Euros
 - By sending Credit Card details to the ITF office (by using the credit card form in the fact sheet), amounts will be deducted in UK £ Sterling;
 - By sending Cheque to the ITF office. All cheques need to be drawn on a US or UK bank or on a bank within the "Euro zone", made payable to **"ITF Ltd"**.
- If you do not enter online via <http://www.itftennis.com/seniors/worldchampionships/onlineentryform.asp> entry forms, entry fees and player agreement and release forms must be sent to:
ITF Seniors World Individual Championships, Seniors Department, ITF, Bank Lane, Roehampton, London, SW15 5XZ, UK
Tel: +44 (0)20 8392 4651; Fax: +44 (0)20 8392 4737 or 4735; Email: seniors@itftennis.com

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- b) **Refunds:** Refunds in full will be made if withdrawal is notified at least fourteen (14) days before the start of the tournament's main draw. All withdrawals must be made in writing, by facsimile or by email. If withdrawal is notified within fourteen (14) days of the start of the tournament's main draw, refunds will only be made for reasons of health, injury or bereavement.

3. COURTS AND MATCHPLAY

a) **Match Courts:**

Beach Club Font de Sa Cala: 11 red clay courts

Club de Tennis Aguait: 8 red clay courts

Na Taconera: 10 red clay courts

b) **Practice Courts:** TBC.

Practice courts will be available throughout the event.

- c) **Balls: TBC.** A minimum of three new balls will be provided for the first two sets. New balls will be provided for any third set. Practice balls will also be provided in accordance with the Regulations.

- d) **Code of Conduct:** The Seniors Code of Conduct as stated in the ITF Seniors Regulations 2009 will be enforced during the event.

- e) **Obligations:** Unless otherwise advised, each player competing in the Competition undertakes to remain ready to play matches from the start of the Competition in which he/she is entered and thereafter until the scheduled date for completion of such competition or until he/she is eliminated there from. Should a player leave the site without completing his/her matches before his/her elimination of the event without a reason of health, injury or bereavement, he/she shall not receive any player hospitality money and shall not be awarded any world ranking points won in the Competition.

- f) **Players:** All players are required to report to the "Match Control Centre" desk **15 minutes** before the scheduled time of their match. A player who is not ready to play 15 minutes after being called may be defaulted.

- g) **Dress on Court:** During a Match, players must be dressed in acceptable tennis attire in accordance with the ITF Seniors Code of Conduct on "Clothing".

- h) **The Draw:** The Draw will be made by the Tournament Committee on Friday 1st May 2009.

- i) **Seeding:** Seeding will be determined by the ITF. Seeding will be based on the latest available ITF Seniors world ranking and strictly in world ranking order. However, if found necessary by the ITF, up to two unranked players per draw can be included in the seeding. These players must not have an ITF Seniors World Ranking.

- j) **Times of Play:** Play will commence at 9.00 am, or as otherwise decided by the ITF. All players **MUST** be available for play from Sunday 3rd May until Sunday 10th May. Every effort will be made to avoid requiring ITF Seniors World Team Championships Competitors to play on Sunday 3rd May; however, this cannot be guaranteed.

- k) **Matches:** All main draw matches will be the best of three tie-break sets.

- l) **Change of Ends tie-break:** The Change of Ends tie-break will be used during the 2009 Seniors World Individual Championships for every tie-break. As per Appendix IV of the 2009 Rules of Tennis, "Change of Ends (Rule 10)": "During a tie-break game, players shall change ends after the first point and thereafter after every four points".

- m) **Rest:** A 10-minute rest may be taken after the 2nd set in all events, according to Section I, Regulation 33(c) of the ITF Seniors Regulations.

- n) **Officiating:** Chair umpires will be provided for all Main Draw finals matches – singles and doubles. In the previous rounds, players should be prepared to officiate for themselves.

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4. **SUNDRY MATTERS**

- a) **Accommodation:** Competitors and accompanying persons are requested to make their accommodation arrangements direct with the official hotel.
- b) **Opening ceremony:** All players are requested to attend the Opening Ceremony at Beach Club Font de Sa Cala on Sunday 3rd May, time to be confirmed. Players are requested to wear their official team clothing, national tracksuit or uniform.
- c) **Functions:** Welcome Cocktail (Sunday 3rd May at Beach Club Font de Sa Cala, immediately after the Opening Ceremony) and the Gala Dinner (details to be confirmed).
- d) **Transportation:** Palma de Mallorca airport is approximately 70 kilometres from the venue. All players and accompanying people will be met from Palma de Mallorca Airport from Thursday 30th April – Saturday 2nd May and taken to the official hotels, free of charge, provided that advance notification of arrival times is supplied.

Please complete and return the attached arrival form to the Spanish Tennis Federation by Monday 6th April. If required, players will be returned free of charge to Palma de Mallorca Airport on Saturday 9th, Sunday 10th and Monday 11th May 2009.

- e) **Medical and Travel Insurance:** According to Rule 20 of the ITF Seniors Regulations 2009, players are responsible for checking with their local health authority regarding medical recommendations for travel to the country hosting the ITF Seniors World Individual Championships. Each player is responsible for ensuring that he/she (as well as any accompanying person) is fully and adequately covered by insurance for the purposes of attending and participating in the ITF Seniors World Individual Championships. The ITF Ltd, the host association and the host site cannot accept any liability for any participant or visitor in this respect.
- f) **Health and Safety:** Please contact the ITF office in London and/or Mallorca for any matter related to health and safety.
- g) **Hospitality:** All Main Draw Championships Singles players reaching the final and semi-final of their respective event will receive the following hospitality payments: winner US \$700 per person, runner-up US \$500, semi-finalists US \$350 per person, such amounts to be paid in cash on site by the ITF, following the prize giving ceremony.
- h) **Medals:** Medals will be presented to the players as follows: Winners of singles and doubles events – Gold, Finalists in singles and doubles events – Silver, Semi finalists in singles and doubles events – Bronze
3rd / 4th place play off matches will not be played in either Singles or Doubles. All semi finalists will receive a bronze medal.
- i) **ITF Seniors World Ranking Points:** Points will be awarded as follows:

	Winner	Runner-Up	Semifinalist	Quarterfinalist	Loser in R16	Loser in R32	Loser in R64
Main Draw	300	220	145	110	90	60	30
Consolation	40	20	10	5	-	-	-

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ACCOMMODATION

The under-mentioned hotels are recommended by the ITF as official hotels of the event.

As both hotels are on the same site as the tennis courts, there will be no transport provided at the Seniors World Individual Championships. Please note that all age categories will play at both venues.

Hotel Beach Club Font de Sa Cala (4 star)

Address: Av. Canyamel, s/n
07580 Capdepera
Mallorca
Telephone: +34.971.563.291
Email: recepcion@beachclub-fontdesacala.com
Website: www.beachclub-fontdesacala.com

Hotel Na Taconera (3 star)

Address: Urb. Na Taconera
07589 Capdepera
Mallorca
Tel: +34 971 563 562
Fax: +34 971 563 817
Email: hotel@nataconera.com
Website: www.nataconera.com

Please note that these are the guaranteed prices for the event, but they are not necessarily the lowest available prices. Players booking early may find cheaper rates online.

	Single room Bed & Breakfast	Single room Half Board	Single room Full Board	Double room Bed & Breakfast	Double room Half Board	Double room Full Board
Beach Club Font de Sa Cala	Please contact hotel	€70	€82	Please contact hotel	€55	€67
Hotel Na Taconera	€53	€58	€68	€43	€48	€58

Please book with the hotels directly. Do not attempt to make reservations through the ITF.

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TRANSPORTATION WILL BE PROVIDED FROM THURSDAY 30 APRIL TO SATURDAY 2 MAY TO COLLECT PLAYERS AND ACCOMPANYING PERSONS ON ARRIVAL AT **PALMA DE MALLORCA AIRPORT**.
 PLEASE COMPLETE AND RETURN THIS FORM TO THE SPANISH TENNIS FEDERATION BY **MONDAY 30 MARCH**.
 THE PICK-UP SERVICE FROM THE AIRPORT OPERATES SEVERAL TIMES A DAY: **TIMES TBC**

RETURN TO: RFET (Real Federación Española de Tenis)
 FAX: + 34 932 021 279
 EMAIL: transporte@rfet.es

PLEASE DO NOT SEND THIS FORM TO THE ITF
LATEST DATE FOR ARRIVALS: SATURDAY 2 MAY

PLAYER NAME.....

HOTEL.....

I **DO NOT** NEED COLLECTING ON ARRIVAL

PLEASE COLLECT ME ON ARRIVAL

Tick box as appropriate

NAME (Note: Please identify accompanying persons by initials "AP")	ARRIVAL POINT	ARRIVAL DATE	ARRIVAL TIME	FLIGHT NUMBER

Name:

Signature:

Tel:

Fax: