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On court today...

- In the opening match on Margaret Court Arena, USA's Bruno Kuzuhara and Paraguay's Adolfo Daniel Vallejo contest the first of their 2 matches today – the pair will play against each other in the doubles final in the last match on MCA, but first they will battle for a place in the boys' singles final. Top seed Kuzuhara is bidding to become the 4th American player to reach the boys' singles final here in the last decade, while Vallejo is looking to become just the 2nd Paraguayan player to reach a boys' singles final at the Grand Slams after Victor Pecci at 1973 Roland Garros. Vallejo won the pair's only previous meeting, which came in the final at JA Plantation (also known as the Orange Bowl) last year.
- On Court 5, Czech Republic's Jakub Mensik takes on Switzerland's Killian Feldbausch – and the Swiss will look to his mother, who also coaches him, for inspiration here. Cathy Feldbausch-Caverzasio is a former world No. 34 who reached the 2nd round here in 1991 before falling to Monica Seles. Feldbausch will become the first Swiss player to reach a boys' singles final here if he wins today, while Mensik is aiming to become the 2nd Czech player to make the boys' final here after Jiri Vesely in 2011. No. 6 seed Mensik proved his credentials at the highest-level of the junior game in 2021 with victory at JA Cape Town and a runner-up finish at JA Milan.
- In the 2nd match on MCA, Australia's last hope in the junior singles draws this year, Charlotte Kempenaers-Pocz faces Belgian No. 8 seed Sofia Costoulas. Victory for Kempenaers-Pocz today would see her become the first Australian player to make the girls' singles final here since Jessica Moore finished runner-up in 2008 – and she would also be the first Australian player to reach a Grand Slam girls' singles final since Ashleigh Barty (now, of course, the women's world No. 1) won the girls' title at Wimbledon in 2011. But she will face a stern test from Costoulas, who is the form player of the season so far – the Belgian 16-year-old won the title at J1 Traralgon last week, and will look to emulate the feat of Clara Tauson in 2019 by winning both the Traralgon and Australian Open titles.
- The No. 1 seed in the girls' draw, Petra Marcinko, has enjoyed a relatively comfortable run to the semifinals here – but, having not yet faced another seeded player, she will likely find No. 13 seed Liv Hovde a difficult opponent when the pair meet in the 2nd match on Court 5. Marcinko won the title at JA Plantation (ie the Orange Bowl) last year and has so far continued the momentum from that event into her campaign for a first Grand Slam title. Should she win today, she will become the first Croatian player to reach the girls' singles final here since Jana Fett in 2014. But Hovde is yet to drop a set here this week, and the American, who is coached by former Australian Open men's singles finalist Phil Dent, will hope to upset the world No. 1 here today.

NO. 1 BRUNO KUZUHARA (USA) v NO. 3 ADOLFO DANIEL VALLEJO (PAR)

Head-to-head: Vallejo leads 1-0

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A 2nd meeting for Kuzuhara and Vallejo. The pair's only previous meeting came in the final at JA Plantation (also known as the Orange Bowl) last year, with Vallejo winning in straight sets.

Kuzuhara and Vallejo are also facing each other in the doubles final, to be played later on Friday. Kuzuhara and his partner Coleman Wong (of Hong Kong China) are No. 2 seeds and will play against Vallejo and his partner Alex Michelsen (of USA), who are unseeded.

Road to the semifinals

KUZUHARA	Time		Time	VALLEJO
d. Daniele Minihini 62 62	1:03	1st round	2:20	d. (Q) Asah Harazaki 64 57 64
d. (WC) Edward Winter 75 61	1:18	2nd round	1:52	d. Shin Woobin 63 76(4)
d. No. 16 Lautaro Midon 64 61	1:16	3rd round	1:09	d. No. 14 Dino Prizmic 62 62
d. No. 7 Edas Butvilas 36 76(3) 64	2:22	Quarterfinals	1:32	d. No. 9 Rodrigo Pacheco Mendez 75 63
total time on court	5:59	(Infosys time)	6:53	total time on court

Possible final head-to-heads

	Mensik	Feldbausch
Kuzuhara	0-1	0-1
Vallejo	0-0	1-0

KUZUHARA	v	VALLEJO
17	Age	17
3	ITF Junior Ranking	5
1131	ATP Ranking	-
9-4	Grand Slam Record (Junior)	8-3
4-0	Australian Open Record (Junior)	4-0
109-39	Career Record (Junior)	88-32
8-1	2022 Record (Junior)	4-0

- **KUZUHARA** is bidding to become the 11th American player to reach the Australian Open boys' singles final – and the 4th in the last decade, after Stefan Kozlov (2014), Sebastian Korda (2018) and Emilio Nava (2019).
- If he wins the title here, Kuzuhara will become the **6th American player to win the Australian Open boys' singles title** – after Gerry Moss (1955), Butch Buchholz (1959), Andy Roddick (2000), Donald Young (2005) and Korda (2018).
- By reaching the semifinals here, Kuzuhara has recorded his **best Grand Slam performance**. His previous best performance at the Grand Slams was reaching the quarterfinals at Wimbledon last year (l. Sascha Gueymard Wayenburg). This is his first appearance at the Australian Open and his 5th junior Grand Slam event overall.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2021**, Kuzuhara reached the 3rd round at Roland Garros (l. Arthur Fils) but lost in the 2nd round at the US Open after receiving a bye through the 1st round (l. Jakub Mensik).
- Kuzuhara's **best result in 2021** was winning the title at J1 Lambare (PAR) (d. Pedro Boscardin Dias). He also reached the final at J1 Salinas (ECU) (l. Shang Juncheng), J1 Porto Alegre (BRA) (l. Leo Borg) and JA Plantation (USA) (l. Vallejo).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Kuzuhara reached the semifinals at J1 Traralgon (AUS) (l. Edas Butvilas).
- Kuzuhara made his **professional debut in April 2021**, falling in the 1st round of qualifying at the Tallahassee Challenger (USA) (l. Orlando Luz). He recorded his first professional match-wins by reaching the quarterfinals at M15 Helsinki (FIN) in June, defeating Anton Matusevich and Yannik Steinegger before falling to Lilian Marmousez. He has a 9-13 win-loss record at all levels as a professional.

- Kuzuhara reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 2 earlier this month. He plays here one place lower at No. 3.
- Kuzuhara is coached by former world No. 52 Brian Baker, who reached the 2nd round of the men's singles here in 2013.
- **VALLEJO** is bidding to become the 2nd Paraguayan boy to reach a junior Grand Slam final – after Victor Pecci, who won the boys' singles title at 1973 Roland Garros.
- Vallejo is also bidding to become the **3rd Paraguayan player, boy or girl, to reach a junior Grand Slam final** – after 1973 Roland Garros boys' singles champion Pecci and 1992 Roland Garros girls' singles champion Rosana de los Rios.
- If he wins today, Vallejo would also become just the **4th Paraguayan player to reach a Grand Slam final in any discipline** – after Pecci (who also finished runner-up in the men's singles at 1979 Roland Garros), De Los Rios and Francisco Gonzalez (who finished runner-up in mixed doubles at 1985 Roland Garros alongside USA's Paula Smith).
- By reaching the semifinals here, Vallejo has recorded his **best Grand Slam performance**. His previous best performance at the Grand Slams was reaching the 3rd round at both Wimbledon (l. Sascha Gueymard Wayenburg) and the US Open (l. Jerome Kym) last year. This is his first appearance at the Australian Open and his 4th junior Grand Slam event overall.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2021**, Vallejo reached the 1st round on his junior Grand Slam debut at Roland Garros (l. Daniel Rincon).
- Vallejo's **best result in 2021** was winning the title at JA Plantation (USA) (d. Kuzuhara). He also reached the final at J3 San Jose (CRC) (l. Braden Shick) and JA Merida (MEX) (l. Mili Poljicak).
- Vallejo is **contesting his first event of the 2022 season here**. He has not played at either a professional or junior event prior to competing here.
- Vallejo made his **professional debut in August 2019**, as a wild card at M15 Lambare (PAR), where he fell to Tomas Farjat in the 1st round. He recorded his first match-win at an ITF World Tennis Tour Men's event at 2021 M15 Lambare (PAR), where he defeated Luci Carevalle in the 1st round before giving a walkover to Juan Bautista Otegui.
- Vallejo made his **Davis Cup debut** for Paraguay in September 2019, losing the only match he contested as Paraguay fell to Mexico in an Americas Group II tie. He recorded his first victories in the competition during Paraguay's World Group II Play-off win over Sri Lanka in March 2020. He has a 2-3 win-loss record in the competition overall.
- Vallejo reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 5 earlier this month and plays here at the same ranking.
- Vallejo is a member of the ITF/GSDF Touring Team, funded by the Grand Slam Development Fund. He is coached by the team head coach Greg Jones.

NO. 4 JAKUB MENSİK (CZE) v NO. 11 KILIAN FELDBAUSCH (SUI)

Head-to-head: first meeting

Road to the semifinals

MENSİK	Time		Time	FELDBAUSCH
d. Jan Kobierski 62 64	1:14	1st round	1:23	d. (Q) Quang Dong 60 63
d. Aidan Kim 36 63 64	2:14	2nd round	2:39	d. Lennox Roark Jones 67(3) 76(3) 3-2 ret.
d. (WC) Hayden Jones 62 64	1:07	3rd round	1:30	d. Constantinos Koshis 62 63
d. Yaroslav Demin 60 61	0:53	Quarterfinals	2:23	d. No. 13 Ozan Colak 26 76(0) 64
total time on court	5:28	(Infosys time)	7:55	total time on court

Possible final head-to-heads

	Kuzuhara	Vallejo
Mensik	1-0	0-0
Feldbausch	1-0	0-1

MENSİK	v	FELDBAUSCH
16	Age	16
6	ITF Junior Ranking	21
-	ATP Ranking	-
6-1	Grand Slam Record (Junior)	4-0
4-0	Australian Open Record (Junior)	4-0
73-22	Career Record (Junior)	59-23
6-1	2022 Record (Junior)	5-1

- **MENSİK** is bidding to become the 2nd Czech player to reach the Australian Open boys' singles final – after Jiri Vesely, who won the title here in 2011.
- Mensik is also bidding to become the **first Czech player, boy or girl, to reach a junior singles final here** since Katerina Siniakova finished runner-up in the girls' singles in 2013. He would become the 6th Czech player to reach an Australian Open junior singles final – after Barbora Strycova (who won back-to-back girls' singles titles here in 2002-03), Nicole Vaidisova (2004 girls' singles runner-up), Karolina Pliskova (2010 girls' singles champion), Vesely (2011 boys' singles champion) and Siniakova (2013 girls' singles runner-up).
- If he wins the title here, Mensik will become the **5th Czech player to win a Grand Slam boys' singles title** – after Ivan Lendl (who won the boys' titles at 1978 Roland Garros and 1978 Wimbledon), David Skoch (1992 Wimbledon), Dusan Lojda (2006 US Open) and Jonas Forejtek (2019 US Open).
- By reaching the semifinals here, Mensik has recorded his **best Grand Slam performance**. On his only previous Grand Slam appearance, as a qualifier at the US Open last year, he reached the 3rd round, defeating Mans Dahlberg and Bruno Kuzuhara before falling to Petr Nesterov.
- Mensik's **best result in 2021** was winning the title at JA Cape Town (RSA) (d. Leo Borg). He also reached the final at JA Milan (ITA) (l. Gonzalo Bueno) and the semifinals at J1 Kazan (RUS) (l. Sebastian Dominko).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Mensik reached the 3rd round at J1 Traralgon (AUS) (l. Alex Michelsen).
- Mensik made his **professional debut in May 2021**, falling in the 1st round of qualifying at M25 Prague (CZE) (l. Franco Agamenone). He has recorded just one victory as a professional – by reaching the 2nd round of qualifying at M25 Jablonec nad Nisou (CZE) last year, where he defeated Noah Thurner before falling to Robin Stanek. He has a 1-4 win-loss record at all levels as a professional.
- Mensik **reached the 2nd round of the boys' doubles here**. He competed alongside Hynek Barton as No. 7 seeds but the pair fell to Michelsen/Adolfo Daniel Vallejo 63 36 [10-6].
- Mensik reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 6 earlier this month and plays here at the same ranking.
- Mensik is coached by Robert Rumler.

- **FELDBAUSCH** is bidding to become the first Swiss player to reach the Australian Open boys' singles final. He would also become the 2nd Swiss player to reach a junior singles final here – after Rebeka Masarova, who finished runner-up in the girls' singles here in 2017. (NB Masarova has represented Spain since January 2018).
- Feldbausch is also bidding to become the **6th Swiss player to reach a Grand Slam boys' singles final** – after Heinz Guenthardt (who won the titles at 1976 Roland Garros and 1976 Wimbledon), Roger Federer (who won the title at 1998 Wimbledon and finished runner-up at the 1998 US Open), Stan Wawrinka (2003 Roland Garros champion), Dominic Stricker (2020 Roland Garros champion) and Leandro Riedi (2020 Roland Garros runner-up).
- Feldbausch is making his **junior Grand Slam debut** at the Australian Open this year. He is the only singles semifinalist here to have not previously competed at a Grand Slam event.
- Feldbausch's **best results in 2021** were reaching the finals at J1 Hannover (GER) (l. Philip Sekulic), J1 Vrsar (CRO) (l. Mili Poljicak) and J1 Bradenton (USA) (l. Viacheslav Bielinskyi). He also reached the quarterfinals at JA Plantation (USA) (l. Adolfo Daniel Vallejo) – his best result at Grade A-level prior to reaching the semifinals here this year.
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Feldbausch reached the 2nd round J1 Traralgon (AUS) (d. Leanid Boika, l. Hynek Barton).
- Feldbausch made his **professional debut in March 2021**, at M25 Trimbach (SUI), where he fell to Niklas Schell in the 1st round of qualifying. He has contested one other event as a professional – at M25 Biel (SUI) last year where, as a wild card in qualifying, he defeated Kai Wehnelt and Alexander Erler for his first match-wins as a professional before falling to Antoine Escoffier in the 1st round of the main draw.
- Feldbausch **reached the semifinals of the boys' doubles here**. He competed alongside Gabriel Debru as No. 3 seeds. The pair fell to No. 2 seeds Bruno Kuzuhara/Coleman Wong 64 64 in the last 4.
- Feldbausch reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 18 earlier this month. He plays here 3 places lower at No. 21.
- Feldbausch is coached by his mother, Cathy Feldbausch-Caverzasio, a former world No. 34 who reached the 2nd round here in 1991, falling to Monica Seles.

NO. 1 PETRA MARCINKO (CRO) v NO. 13 LIV HOVDE (USA)

Head-to-head: first meeting

Road to the semifinals

MARCINKO	Time		Time	HOVDE
d. Alexis Blokhina 36 63 63	1:53	1st round	1:26	d. (WC) Talia Gibson 63 76(8)
d. Kayla Cross 62 62	1:00	2nd round	0:41	d. Georgia Pedone 60 61
d. Denislava Glushkova 63 61	1:02	3rd round	1:04	d. No. 3 Ksenia Zaytseva 63 3-0 ret.
d. Lola Radivojevic 75 62	1:09	Quarterfinals	1:12	d. No. 6 Michaela Laki 64 60
total time on court	5:04	(Infosys time)	4:23	total time on court

Possible final head-to-heads

	Costoulas	Kempnaers-Pocz
Marcinko	0-0	0-0
Hovde	0-0	0-0

MARCINKO	v	HOVDE
16	Age	16
1	ITF Junior Ranking	20
913	WTA Ranking	-
8-3	Grand Slam Record (Junior)	4-1
4-0	Australian Open Record (Junior)	4-0
96-22	Career Record (Junior)	37-10
4-0	2022 Record (Junior)	7-1

- **MARCINKO** is bidding to become the first Croatian player, boy or girl, to reach a junior Grand Slam final since Jana Fett finished runner-up at the 2014 Australian Open.
- If she wins the title here, Marcinko will become the **first Croatian player to win a junior Grand Slam title** since the 2013 US Open, when Borna Coric won the boys' singles title and Ana Konjuh won the girls' singles title.
- If she wins the title here, Marcinko would also become the **4th Croatian player to win an Australian Open junior title** – after Mirjana Lucic (1997 girls' singles champion), Jelena Kostanic (1998 girls' singles champion) and Konjuh (2013 girls' singles champion).
- By reaching the semifinals here, Marcinko has recorded her **best Grand Slam performance**. Her previous best performance at the Grand Slams was reaching the quarterfinals at the US Open last year (l. Kristina Dmitruk). This is her first appearance at the Australian Open and her 4th junior Grand Slam event overall.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2021**, Marcinko reached the 2nd round at Wimbledon (d. Johanne Christine Svendsen, l. Linda Fruhvirtova) but fell in the 1st round at Roland Garros (l. Clervie Ngounoue).
- Marcinko's **best results in 2021** were winning her first titles at Grade A-level – at JA Cape Town (RSA) (d. Ngounoue) and JA Plantation (USA) (d. Diana Shnaider). She also won the title at J1 Lambare (PAR) (d. Solana Sierra) and reached the semifinals at JA Merida (MEX) (l. Linda Fruhvirtova).
- Marcinko is **contesting her first event of the 2022 season here**. She has not played at either a professional or junior event prior to competing here.
- Marcinko made her **professional debut in May 2021**, reaching the 2nd round as a wild card at W60 Zagreb (CRO) (d. Kurumi Nara, l. Jule Niemeier). She has a 12-6 win-loss record at ITF World Tennis Tour Women's events and has reached 2 semifinals at W15-level.
- Marcinko **reached the semifinals of the girls' doubles here**. She competed alongside Svendsen as No. 2 seeds. The pair fell to Kayla Cross/Victoria Mboko 76(6) 26 [10-7] in the last 4.

- Marcinko became **junior world No. 1** for the first time in December last year and plays here at the same ranking. She was named as 2021 ITF World Junior Champion.
- Marcinko is coached by her father, Vjekoslav Marcinko.
- **HOVDE** is bidding to become the first American player to reach the Australian Open girls' singles final since 2012, when Taylor Townsend won the title here.
- Hovde is also bidding to be just the **3rd American girl to reach the singles final here in the last 30 years**. Since Lindsay Davenport finished runner-up in the girls' singles here in 1992, the only American players to contest the Australian Open girls' singles final are 2012 champion Townsend and 2007 runner-up Madison Brengle.
- Hovde is bidding to ensure that **USA wins back-to-back Grand Slam girls' singles titles** – after Robin Montgomery won the girls' singles title at the US Open last year. It would be the first time that American girls had won consecutive Grand Slam titles since 2017, when Whitney Osuigwe won the junior title at Roland Garros, Claire Liu won the junior title at Wimbledon and Amanda Anisimova won the junior title at the US Open.
- By reaching the semifinals here, Hovde has recorded her **best Grand Slam performance**. She fell in the 1st round in her only previous appearance at a junior Grand Slam event – as a wild card at the US Open last year (l. Jana Kolodynska).
- Hovde's **best results in 2021** were winning the titles at JB1 San Diego (USA) (also known as the Easter Bowl) – where she received a wild card into qualifying and recorded 9 straight wins to claim the title, defeating Elvina Kalieva in the final – and at JB1 Nicholasville (USA) (aka the Pan American Championships) (d. Marina Stakusic). Her best results at Grade A-level were reaching the 3rd round at JA Merida (MEX) (l. Victoria Jimenez Kasintseva) and JA Plantation (USA) (l. Kristyna Tomajkova).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Hovde reached the quarterfinals at J1 Traralgon (AUS) (l. Taylah Preston).
- Hovde made her **professional debut in March 2021**, as a wild card at W25 Newport Beach (USA), where she fell to Naiktha Bains in the 1st round. She has played at 2 other professional events – falling in the 1st round of qualifying as a wild card at 2021 W100 Charleston (USA) (l. Jamie Loeb) and recording her first professional match-wins as a wild card at 2021 W15 Lubbock (USA), where she defeated Kailey Evans and Margarita Skryabina before falling to Adriana Reami in the quarterfinals.
- Hovde **reached the quarterfinals of the girls' doubles here**. She competed alongside Alexis Blokhina as No. 8 seeds. The pair fell to No. 1 seeds Clervie Ngounoue/Shnaider 46 64 [10-8] in the last 8.
- Hovde reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 20 this week.
- Hovde is coached by Phil Dent, who reached the men's singles final here in 1974 and won the men's doubles title here in 1975.

NO. 8 SOFIA COSTOULAS (BEL) v CHARLOTTE KEMPENAERS-POCZ (AUS)

Head-to-head: first meeting

Road to the semifinals

COSTOULAS	Time		Time	KEMPENAERS-POCZ
d. Aruzhan Sagandikova 61 62	1:07	1st round	2:14	d. No. 16 Elena Pridankina 57 62 62
d. Meshkatolzahra Safi 60 62	1:01	2nd round	1:07	d. (WC) Sara Saito 62 63
d. No. 9 Celine Naef 76(3) 76(5)	2:00	3rd round	2:23	d. Tereza Valentova 76(3) 06 76(5)
d. No. 2 Diana Shnaider 63 57 64	2:14	Quarterfinals	0:57	d. Carolina Kuhl 61 62
total time on court	6:22	(Infosys time)	6:41	total time on court

Possible final head-to-heads

	Marcinko	Hovde
Costoulas	0-0	0-0
Kempenaers-Pocz	0-0	0-0

COSTOULAS	v	KEMPENAERS-POCZ
16	Age	17
10	ITF Junior Ranking	220
1167	WTA Ranking	1437
8-5	Grand Slam Record (Junior)	4-2
4-1	Australian Open Record (Junior)	4-2
103-32	Career Record (Junior)	69-36
10-0	2022 Record (Junior)	4-1

- **COSTOULAS** is bidding to become the 2nd Belgian player, boy or girl, to reach an Australian Open junior singles final – after An-Sophie Mestach, who won the girls' singles title here in 2011.
- Costoulas is also bidding to become the **first Belgian player, boy or girl, to reach a junior Grand Slam final** since Kimmer Coppejans, who won the boys' singles title at 2012 Roland Garros. Since Kirsten Flipkens won back-to-back girls' singles titles at Wimbledon and the US Open in 2003, Mestach and Coppejans are the only Belgian players to reach a junior Grand Slam final.
- If she wins the title here, Costoulas will become the **8th Belgian player to win a junior Grand Slam title** – after Geniveve Domken (1947 Wimbledon), Christiane Marcelis (1949 Wimbledon), Nancy Feber (1993 Wimbledon), Justine Henin (1997 Roland Garros), Flipkens (2003 Wimbledon; 2003 US Open), Mestach (2011 Australian Open) and Coppejans (2012 Roland Garros).
- Costoulas is making her **2nd Australian Open appearance**. On her only previous appearance here, in 2020, she fell to Robin Montgomery in the 1st round.
- By reaching the semifinals here, Costoulas has recorded her **best Grand Slam performance**. Her previous best performance at the Grand Slams was reaching the 3rd round at the US Open last where she defeated Sabina Zeynalova and Madison Sieg before falling to Sebastiana Scilipoti. This is her 6th junior Grand Slam event overall.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2021**, Costoulas reached the 2nd round at both Roland Garros (d. Julia Middendorf, l. Michaela Laki) and Wimbledon (d. Erika Matsuda, l. Alicia Dudeney).
- Costoulas' **best result in 2021** was reaching the final at J1 Plovdiv (BUL) (l. Laki). She also reached the quarterfinals at J1 Ricany (CZE) (l. Sara Bejlek), JA Milan (ITA) (l. Alexandra Eala) and J1 Charleroi-Marcinelle (BEL) (l. Celine Naef).
- Prior to the Australian Open, Costoulas **won the title at J1 Traralgon (AUS)**, defeating Kayla Cross in the final. The last player to win the title at both J1 Traralgon and the Australian Open was Clara Tauson in 2019.

- Costoulas made her **professional debut in October 2020**, reaching the quarterfinals at W15 Pazardzhik (BUL), defeating Julia Stamatova and Vlada Ekshibarova before falling to Erika Andreeva. She has a 15-12 win-loss record at ITF World Tennis Tour Women's events.
- Costoulas has **reached 3 professional finals** – at W15 Sharm El Sheikh in February 2021 (l. Magali Kempen) and at 2 W15 Monastir events in December 2021, falling to Eudice Chong in the final at the first event and to Akvile Parazinskaite in the final at the 2nd event.
- Costoulas **fell in the 1st round of the girls' doubles here**. She competed alongside Lucija Ciric Bagaric as No. 5 seeds but the pair lost their opening match to Cross/Victoria Mboko 76(3) 63.
- Costoulas reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 10 this week.
- Costoulas is coached by her father, Sotireos Costoulas, and Rick Vleeschouwers.
- **KEMPENAERS-POCZ** is bidding to become the first Australian player to reach the girls' singles final at the Australian Open since Jessica Moore finished runner-up in 2008.
- If she wins the title here, Kempenaers-Pocz will become the **first Australian player to win the Australian Open girls' singles title** since Siobhan Drake-Brockman in 1995. Moore is the only Australian player to reach the girls' singles final here since 1995, when Drake-Brockman defeated Annabel Ellwood in an all-Australian final. The Australian Open has seen the longest wait for a home player to win the girls' singles title of the 4 Grand Slams.
- Kempenaers-Pocz is also bidding to become the **first Australian player, boy or girl, to reach a junior singles final here since 2016**, when Oliver Anderson won the boys' singles title here.
- Kempenaers-Pocz is bidding to become **the first Australian girl to reach a junior Grand Slam final since 2011**, when Ashleigh Barty won the girls' singles title at Wimbledon.
- By reaching the semifinals here, Kempenaers-Pocz has recorded her **best Grand Slam performance**. She lost in the 1st round in her 2 previous Grand Slam appearances – as a wild card here in both 2019 (l. Stefania Rogozinska Dzik) and 2020 (l. Elizabeth Coleman).
- Kempenaers-Pocz **contested 3 junior events in 2021**. She won the title at J5 Playford (AUS) (d. Yilin Yan) in September. She then contested the 2 events at J3 Gold Coast (AUS) in November, falling to Taylah Preston in the final at the first event and defeating Preston in the final at the 2nd event.
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Kempenaers-Pocz fell in the 1st round at J1 Traralgon (AUS) (l. Diana Shnaider).
- Kempenaers-Pocz made her **professional debut in January 2020**, as a wild card in qualifying at W25 Playford (AUS), falling to Nadia Podoroska in the first match she contested. Her best result at professional-level is reaching the semifinals as a qualifier at 2019 W15 Port Pirie (AUS) (l. Lulu Sun).
- Kempenaers-Pocz **competed as a wild card in women's singles qualifying here**, falling to Kateryna Bondarenko in the 1st round of qualifying. She also competed in qualifying at the WTA event in Adelaide in the first week of January, reaching the 2nd round of qualifying (d. Rebecca Marino, l. Ulrikke Eikeri). She also competed as a wild card in Australian Open qualifying in 2021, but fell to Viktoriya Tomova in the 1st round of qualifying.
- Kempenaers-Pocz **competed in women's doubles here** as a wild card alongside Kimberly Birrell. The pair reached the 2nd round (d. Nuria Parrizas-Diaz/Arantxa Rus, l. Rebecca Peterson/Anastasia Potapova).
- Kempenaers-Pocz **reached the semifinals of the girls' doubles here**. She competed as a wild card with Preston, falling to No. 1 seeds Clervie Ngounoue/Shnaider 75 76(5) in the last 4.
- Kempenaers-Pocz reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 81 in January 2021 but plays here at No. 220.
- Kempenaers-Pocz is coached by Jim Chaousis.