



City of Sumter, South Carolina

**Palmetto
Pro Open**

A USTA Pro Circuit Event

**Singles Qualifying Finals, Singles Main Draw set to begin Wednesday
Eight qualifiers to make Main Draw tomorrow; Doubles Main Draw set**

SUMTER, SC (June 15) – After two rounds of singles qualifying at the Palmetto Pro Open, we're down to just eight matches left to see who fills out the USTA \$25,000 Women's Pro Circuit event's Main Draw.

The First Round of Singles Qualifying saw four of the top 16 seeds go down in the field of 64. On Tuesday, just two of the remaining 12 seeds were eliminated.

Top-seed Ingrid Neel (USA) cruised into the finals with a 6-1, 6-1 win over **Tai Martin** (USA); No.3 seed **Usue Mitane Arconada** (USA) was a 6-4, 7-5 winner over **Caroline Brinson** (USA); No. 5 **Jennifer Elie** (USA) got past **Lynn Kiro** (RSA) 6-4, 6-4; Sixth-seeded **Mari Osaka** (JPN) was a 6-2, 6-1 winner over **Elyse Lavender** (USA); and No. 7 **Maria-Fernanda Alves** (BRA) took down **Victoria Flores** (USA) 6-2, 6-3;

Jamie Loeb (USA), the eighth-seed, was victorious over **Cameron Morra** (USA) 6-0, 7-5; Ninth-seeded **Michaela Gordon** (USA) moved on with a 6-0, 6-1 win over **Alexa Bortles** (USA); and No. 14 **Marie-Alexandre Leduc** (CAN) defeated **Kristina Mathis** (USA) 6-2, 6-3; No. 15 seed **Maria Shishkina** (USA) got past **Yolande Leacock** (TTO) 6-2, 6-2; and 16th seeded **Andie K. Daniell** (USA), a reigning doubles champion at the PPO, took down **Brigit Folland** (GBR) 6-1, 6-2.

No. 10 seed **Petra Januskova** (CAN), a semifinalist in last year's Palmetto Pro Open, fell victim to **Kayla Day** (USA) 6-2, 6-1; Thirteen-seed **Kylie McKenzie** (USA) lost to **Ellen Perez** (AUS) 6-2, 7-5.

Also making the Singles Qualifying Finals are **Jessica Golovin** (USA), **Julia Jones** (USA), **Kourtney J. Keegan** (USA) and **Vivian Wolff** (GER).

Golovin defeated **Alexandra Sanford** (USA) 6-3, 7-5, while Jones made her way into the finals with a 6-1, 6-2 victory over **Shannon Cox** (RSA). Keegan took down **Frances Altick** (USA) 6-4, 6-4 and Wolff was a 6-4, 6-7(1), 6-3 winner over **Mary Closs** (USA).

Two doubles teams also made their way into the Doubles Main Draw. **Perez** and **Carol Zhao** (CAN) took down **Marcela-Guimares Bueno** (BRA) and **Flavia Guimares Bueno** (BRA) 6-1, 6-4, while **Osaka** and **Mayo Hibi** (JPN) outlasted **Hadley Berg** (USA) and **Caroline B. Dailey** (USA) 6-3, 6-7(2) [10-3].

The Singles Qualifying Finals begin at 9 a.m. at the PTC on Wednesday, while the Singles Main Draw and Doubles Main Draw will both be third on their respective courts.

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