

10th November, 2018

ITF Junior Pakistan Tennis Championships (I)-2018

Ivan Penev of Bulgaria annexed the Boys Singles title of the ITF Pakistan Junior Tennis Championships (I) 2018 by beating Huzaifa Abdul Rehman of Pakistan in a well contested three set final at SDA Tennis Complex, Islamabad. Huzaifa won the first set by breaking 6th and 8th game of Penev. Penev took the winning lead 3-1 by breaking 3rd game of Huzaifa in the second set. Huzaifa played excellent game from the baseline and leveled the score 3-3 by breaking sixth game of Penev after two duce. Penev won the second set 6-4 by breaking 9th game of Huzaifa by 15:40 score. Final set was marked with aces, long rallies and score went up to 3-3 as both the players held their respective serves. Penev broke the seventh game of Huzaifa at 15:40 in which Huzaifa made one double fault. Penev took the lead 5-4 by winning 8th game at 40:0 and won the final set by 6-4. The match lasted 1 hour 53 minutes. The ITF official for the match was Mr. Shahzad Akhtar Alvi (ITF white badge Umpire). Penev gained valuable 30 ITF points while Huzaifa got 18 ITF points along with winning shields.

Mina Toglukdemir & Sara Yigin bagged the Girls Doubles title by eliminating Melina Mehrani & Meshkatulzahra Safi from Iran in another three set final. Mina & Sara won the first set by 6-4 by breaking 8th game of Mehrani/ Safi. Melina & Safi won the second set at tie break (7-3). The match match tie break set won by Mina & Sara 10-8; Mr. Salim Saifullah Khan (President PTF) and Ambassadors from four countries distributed the shields among the winners and runners up.

In the girls singles event Mina Toglukdemir of Turkey annexed the girl's singles title of the ITF Junior Pakistan Tennis Championships (I)-2018 by beating Sara Yigin of Germany in a well contested two set match 6-2, 7-6 (6) at SDA Complex, Garden Avenue Islamabad. In the first set Mina took the winning lead 4-0 by breaking the second and fourth game of Sara by hitting a number of winners down the line and won the first set 6-2 in a convincing manner. In the second set, both the players displayed quality tennis and long rallies were witnessed from the baseline. The score went up to 6-6. Both the players held their respective serves. In the tie break the score also reached 6-6. At this stage Mind held her serve and hit a cross court winner on the return of Sara and eventually won the tie breaker and the match. The match lasted one hour fifty two minutes. Mr. Salim Saifullah Khan, President PTF, PTF Management and other dignitaries witnessed the final.

Huzafia A.Rehman pairing with Shoaib Khan won the Boys Doubles title by beating Saqib Hayat and Aftab Mehmood in the other final of the day in straight sets 6-2, 7-6 (2). Huzaifa and Shoaib were in fine touch in the first set and easily won by breaking their counterparts' serve in the sixth and eighth games of the first set. The second set was marked with aces, lobs and combination of forehand/ backhand drives. The score went up to 6-6 as all the players won their respective serves. In the tie break Huzaifa and Shoaib played attacking game on the net and easily won the tie break at 6-2.

Sara Yigin (GER)/Mina Toglukdemir (TUR) and Melina Mehrani (IRI)/Meshkatulzahra Safi (IRI) will vie for Girls Doubles title, which will be played on Saturday 10th November at 10:00 AM.

Huzaifa Abdul Rehman will face Bulgarian Ivan Penev for the Boys Singles title which will be played at 2:30 PM tomorrow.

Sign in for the ITF Junior Pakistan Tennis Championships (II)-2018 closes today at 6:00 pm for the qualifying event.

Following are the results:

Boys Singles Final:

Ivan Penev (BUL) beat Huzaifa Abdul Rehman (PAK): 2-6, 6-4, 6-3;

Girls Doubles Final:

Mina Toglukdemir (TUR)/ Sara Yigin (GER) beat Melina Mehrani/ Meshkatulzahra Safi (IRAN): 6-2, 6-7 (3), 10-8;

Girls Singles Finals:

Mina Toglukdemir (TUR) beat Sara Yigin (GER): 6-2, 7-6 (6);

Boys Doubles Semifinals:

Shoaib Khan (PAK)/Huzaifa Abdul Rehman (PAK) beat M. Nouman Aftab (PAK)/ Saqib Hayat (PAK): 6-2, 7-6 (2);



Tournament Winners/ Runners-up with the President PTF & Dignitaries