

### SHOCK UPSETS ON DAY 5 AT THE ITF INDIVIDUALS

The defeat of Kerry Ballard to Gudula Eisemann (Germany) and the win of Wendy Gilchrist over Nicole Hesse Cazaux (France) eliminated the two top seeds from the 60+ singles in sunny conditions at Club Ali Bey. Although the drama centred on these women's matches, the quiet achiever, Neville Halligan, added the 85+ doubles to his list of ITF Championships. Another quiet achiever, Bruce Rehn, continued his winning run to set up a semi final against World Champion Peter Pokorny (Austria) in the 70+ singles.



*Wendy Gilchrist in action on Day 5 (Photo courtesy of ITF's Paul Zimmer)*

Gudula Eisemann previously defeated Carol Campling before winning in straight sets against Kerry, 1 and 3. Wendy who lost the first set (2), won the second (3) and triumphed in a tightly contested third set tie break (5) after earlier saving two match points. Another quarter final winner is Elizabeth Allan who will meet Wendy in an all-Aussie semi-final. Elizabeth lost the second set to Marjory Love (GB) but fought back to take the match 61 57 60. In the 70+ singles, Nola Collins finished her run with a loss to Doris Devries (USA) 2 and 2. In the 80+ singles, Margaret Fisher won the first set 75 but the experienced Rosemarie Asch (Canada) fought back to take the next two sets 0 and 0.

The only men left in the singles are Neville Halligan (85+) and Bruce Rehn (70+). Neville has one more match in his round robin to claim the Championship while Bruce has a more formidable opponent in World Champion Peter Pokorny (Austria) in the semi-final. Bruce continued his fine form yesterday with a win against Giovanni Argentini (Italy) 76(4) 62.

In the 60+ women doubles, Elizabeth Allan and Kerry Ballard meet Adrienne Avis and Helen Worland in one semi and Carol Campling and Wendy Gilchrist are in the other. Who knows, we may have an all-Aussie final in this event. However, in the 65+, Kim Blackburne and Beverley Eddington were overwhelmed by Ellie Krocke (Netherlands) and Jacky Boothman (GB) losing 0 and 3. Meanwhile,

Nola Collins teaming with German friend, Nanda Fischer, recorded a 0 and 2 win to progress to the semi-finals.

The other men's doubles results were in the 70+ with Bruce Rehn and Don Biddle defeating Peter Nader (Austria) and Rolf Zubiell (Germany) 61 63. However, Doug Napier and Gordon Waygood bowed out to third seeds Giovanni Argenti and Vittorio Monaco (Italy) losing 0 and 1.

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