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Galan and Lebron still champions: 'Superpibes' beaten in an epic final

Brea and Gonzalez crowned in Milan: Araujo-Salazar ko

It was an unforgettable Sunday. The **Allianz Cloud** in **Milan**, once again sold out, celebrated the second triumph of **Ale Galan** and **Juan Lebron**, at the end of a great final that lasted three hours against **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Martin Di Nenno**, and that of **Delfina Brea** and **Bea Gonzalez**, who, after the Madrid title, won their second **Premier Padel** title of the season.

UOMINI An epic final, the kind that will remain in the history of padel. One year later, it is still **Ale Galan** and **Juan Lebron** who are the kings of **Milano Premier Padel P1**, at the end of three hours of battle, show, tricks, hugs and tears. Those of joy of the winners, those of sadness of the 'Superpibes' **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Martin Di Nenno**, who were able to take the match to the third set.

Three hours, but also three tiebreaks: it ended 7-6 6-7 7-6, a match that **Galan** and **Lebron** had to win twice. Yes, because after winning the first set, at 5-4 in the second set the Spaniards had three match points, none of which they took advantage of, with **Lebron** who in the decisive points could have done something more. It then went to the second tiebreak, with **Stupa/Di Nenno** able to take home a set that lasted an hour and eight minutes. In the third, the first break, the one that looked like it could be decisive for success, was again that of **Lebron** and **Galan** (4-3), who, however, suffered the break in the next game. And perhaps it was right that, after such a show, the match was still decided in the final game: a good start by **Stupaczuk** and **Di Nenno**, a comeback by Galan and Lebron up to 5-5, with the fourth match point being the good one.

*"First of all, I have to congratulate **Franco** and **Martin** – said 'el Lobo' **Lebron** –. The four of us did the show: we live for this, to win the title. Thanks to Ale for supporting me especially in the second set when I didn't play well. We had a difficult season, with a long period without playing due to injury: but here we are, with the trophy in our hands". "We were looking forward to being here to live this great week – added **Galan** –. We know that Italy loves us, as we love Italy and Milan. We faced two warriors, but I am very proud of the work we did and that we managed to show on the court. We wanted to be ourselves again". They succeeded, winning their first **Premier Padel** title of the season on the last tournament of the season, against super **Franco Stupaczuk**, who was voted best player of the tournament (with **Bea Gonzalez** mvp of the women's draw) despite losing.*

DONNE After Madrid, now it's Italy's turn. **Delfina Brea** and **Bea Gonzalez** are the champions of the **Milano Premier Padel P1**. In the final, the Argentine and the Spanish – seeded number 3 in the women's draw – beat **Sofia Araujo** and **Alejandra Salazar** (4) 6-0 7-6 in an hour and 37 minutes in a final that was dominated in the first set but became balanced in the second. A success that is therefore a repeat for 'Delfi' and 'Bea' (voted mvp of the tournament), who had already won the first of the four tournaments of the Premier Padel circuit. A clear and deserved victory, which followed the one in the semifinals against **Paula Josemaria** and **Ari Sanchez**. For Brea, who in Milan also celebrated her 24th birthday and who also has a connection with...**Pope Francis**. It was Bergoglio who baptized Delfina in Buenos Aires, in the church of San José, in the Barrio Flores where they both were born and raised.

Brea and **Gonzalez** had a strong start, immediately going up two breaks that set the tone for the first set and the final. Too many errors from Araujo and Salazar – the latter making her Premier debut in Italy after an injury forced her to miss the Rome Major –; on the other hand, a masterful performance especially from Bea Gonzalez. After nine consecutive games, Araujo/Salazar managed to move the score, recovering the break behind (3-2) and, in fact, entering the match. However, the tiebreak also smiled at Brea and Gonzalez, who won it with a score of 7-4, before embracing each other and the Allianz Cloud crowd.

*"It was a spectacular week", admits **Delfina Brea**. "I'm a little tired but very happy. I thank our coach Jorge Martinez so much, but also the public who certainly gave us a hand".* In the second set, there was more of a match. *"It seemed like the ball was never going where we wanted to put it", **Bea Gonzalez** acknowledges. "We managed to win and we are very happy, it was a spectacular week".*

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