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GNP Mexico P1, day 1 Women's top seeds get off to a strong start

If the world's best players, during the media day, expressed many words of thanks to the organisation for having put them in the best conditions to play after Hurricane Otis hit **Acapulco** in October, on the first day of the **GNP Mexico P1** the first results arrived. In the women's draw, some of the world's strongest pairs have already taken the court. **Gemma Triay** and **Claudia Fernandez** (3), in their second tournament together after losing the final in Doha, gave up only three games to **Barrera/Caparros** (6-2 6-1), but good wins also came for the other top seeds **Salazar/Icardo** (double 6-1 to **Collombon-Bidahorria**), **Castelló/Jensen** (6-3 6-1 to **Navarro/Guinart**) and **Sainz/Llaguno** (6-1 6-1 to **Arellano/Vivancos**). Today will be the day, among others, for the debuts of the two-time champions of this early season **Ari Sanchez** and **Paula Josemaria** (third match on the centre court against **Arruabarrena/Casali**) and for **Delfina Brea** and **Bea Gonzalez**, second match of the evening session against **Borrero/Fassio**.

MEN Arturo Coello and **Agustin Tapia**, for the first time number 1 seed in a **Premier Padel** draw, will debut (and it will be the first match of the evening session starting at 5pm Mexican time, midnight CET) against **Ivan Ramirez** and **Pablo Garcia**, respectively number 37 and 100 in the FIP ranking, who defeated **Valdes/Mendez** 2-6 6-3 6-3 in the first round. In the same half of the draw, the young Argentine qualifiers **Libaak/Augsburger** also did well (6-3 6-0 to Mexican wild cards **Montoya/Padilla**). **Juan Lebron** and **Ale Galan**, in their last tournament together, will debut on the Cancha Caliente MX against **Jairo Bautista** and **Jaime Munoz** (double 6-3 over Marcos-Alba). The other defending champion in a Mexican Premier Padel level, **Fernando Belasteguin**, will also be on the court: the Argentine legend, who won in Monterrey in 2022 paired with Arturo Coello, will play with **Lucho Capra** against **Garcia/Barahona**.

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