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## Asunción Premier Padel P2, day 2 Cardona, Libaak, Augsburger, Canovas, Velasco: the Next Gen moves on

Only 24 hours ago, 15-year-old Paraguayan **Facundo Dehniké** left the **ueno SND Arena** with the standing ovation after his debut on the **Premier Padel** circuit. Dehniké, paired with the other youngster **Teo Gamondi** (2006), missed the chance to move to the round of 16 of the **Asunción Premier Padel P2**, but padel is also looking to the future with other Next Gen talents. **Pablo Cardona**, born in 2004, paired with **Javier Ruiz** defeated two legends like **Maxi Sanchez** and **Sanyo Gutierrez** (3-6 6-3 6-4), and so did Argentines **Tino Libaak** and **Leo Augsburger** against **Nachi Sager** and **Salva Oria** (6-3 6-2). Winning debuts also for the number 1 on the draw of the seventh Premier Padel tournament of the season, **Arturo Coello** and **Agustin Tapia**, who defeated **Lucas Bergamini** and **Victor Ruiz** 6-1 6-3 and in the round of 16 they will face **Lucho Capra** and **Alex Chozas**, coming back from a three-hour marathon to overcome **Xisco Gil** and **Ramiro Moyano** (2-6 6-1 7-6). The Argentine derby in the first round was won by **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Martin Di Nenno**, 6-2 6-4 to **Juan Cruz Belluati** and **Miguel Lamperti**.

**WOMEN** But the Next Gen also excelled also in the women's draw, with 2004 **Noa Canovas** and **Jimena Velasco** in the round of 16 after **Rufo-Caldera** withdrew, when the young Spaniards were ahead 5-2 in the third set. For **Canovas** and **Velasco**, there is now the challenge of FIP ranking number 1 **Paula Josemaria** and **Ari Sanchez**, who will debut alongside **Brea/Gonzalez** (2, against **Sharifova/Martinez**), **Triay/Fernandez** (3, against **Gomez/Schuck**) and **Ortega/Virseda** (5, against **Casali/Soriano**). The longest match of the day, however, was the one won by **Araceli Martinez** and **Marina Guinart**, who defeated the number 9 seeded **Aranzazu Osoro** and **Carmen Goenaga**. A battle that lasted three hours and 5 minutes and ended 6-7 7-5 7-6.

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