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## Mar del Plata Premier Padel P1, day 5 Ustero-Alonso, pure talent: the young Spanish in the semifinals

It was the night of **Fernando Belasteguin**, but not only of the Argentinian legend. The fans at the **Polideportivo Islas Malvinas** in **Mar del Plata** enjoyed the quarter-final show, and enjoyed two very pure talents, those of **Andrea Ustero** (17) and **Alejandra Alonso**, who will be 18 in a few days (29 May). The Spanish, the only non-seeded pair in the women's draw left in the running, defeated a legend like **Alejandra Salazar** and **Tamara Icardo** (4) with a score of 6-1 7-5, qualifying for the semifinals at the top of the draw. Today, not before 7 p.m. local time (midnight CET) the challenge against FIP number 1 ranked **Paula Josemaria** and **Ari Sanchez**, ahead 7-5 6-0 over **Virginia Riera** and **Sofia Araujo** (7). The other semi-final, which will open the schedule at 4 p.m. Argentine time (9pm CET) follows the entry list: **Delfi Brea** and **Bea Gonzalez** (2), chasing their 20th win in a row after reaching their 19th in a comeback over **Marta Ortega** and **Veronica Virseda** (4-6 6-1 6-3), and the pair formed by **Gemma Triay** and **Claudia Fernandez** (3), who gave up just four games (6-0 6-4) to Lucia Sainz and Patty Llaguno, will compete.

**MEN Arturo Coello** and **Agustin Tapia**, after ending **Fernando Belasteguin's** professional career in Argentina, continue their journey in **Mar del Plata**: the first two players in the FIP ranking will play their semi-final against **Mike Yanguas** and **Javi Garrido** (6), ahead 6-4 6-1 over **Coki Nieto** and **Jon Sanz** and qualified for the third time this season to the semi-finals of a **Premier Padel** circuit tournament after **Puerto Cabello** and **Brussels**. Instead, it will be the third consecutive duel (the fourth in the season, after **Puerto Cabello**, **Sevilla** and **Asunción**) between **Fede Chingotto** (already sure to rise on Monday to number 7 in the FIP ranking) and **Ale Galan** (2) and **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Martin Di Nenno** (4) that will decide the other finalist pair. **Chingotto/Galan** beat **Maxi Sanchez** and **Sanyo Gutierrez** with a double 6-3; the 'Superpibes', local idols, dominated 6-1 6-2 the quarter-final against **Momo Gonzalez** and **Alex Ruiz**. In **Mar del Plata**, the show goes on.

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