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Betclic Bordeaux Premier Padel P2, day 3

The magic week of Cepero-Benitez: from qualifiers to quarter-finals

Each tournament on the **Premier Padel** circuit offers big surprises, twists and turns, and pairs living the best week of their season. At the **Arkéa Arena**, in the **Betclic Bordeaux Premier Padel P2**, it is the turn of **Alvaro Cepero** and **Miguel Benitez**, respectively number 64 and number 77 in the FIP ranking. Starting from the qualifiers, the two Spanish players first defeated **Alonso/Arroyo** (6) in the first round, then repeated (6-4 6-1) against **Javi Martinez** and 'Pincho' **Fernandez** to qualify for the quarter-finals. **Benitez** had already reached the quarter-finals of a **Premier Padel** tournament, last in the **Rome Major** paired with **Mario Del Castillo**. In the quarters, the two qualifiers will face **Momo Gonzalez** and **Alex Ruiz** (3), who eliminated **Juan Cruz Belluati** and **Miguel Lamperti** 6-2 6-3 in one hour and eight minutes. **Gonzalez/Ruiz** are now the second highest seed on the draw, after **Mike Yanguas** and **Javi Garrido** (2) lost to **Ramiro Moyano** and **Xisco Gil**. Second victory, however, for **Fernando Belasteguin** and **Juan Tello** (1), with 6-3 6-4 to **Javi Leal** and **Lucas Campagnolo**. In the quarters, in the first match of the afternoon session starting at 5 p.m. CET, are **Javi Rico** and **Juanlu Esbri**. The other feat of the day is that of **Guillermo Collado** (number 143 in the ranking), who paired with **José Diestro** stopped the run of **Maxi Sanchez** and **Sanyo Gutierrez**, number 4 in the seeding, 7-5 7-5. For **Collado/Diestro** in the quarters are **Lucas Bergamini** and **Pablo Cardona**.

WOMEN If the men's draw is full of surprises, the women's draw has respected the order of the entry list. All eight seeds qualified for the quarter-finals, although the victories were different from each other. The most difficult was **Virginia Riera** and **Sofia Araujo** (4), who overcame **Nuria** and **Laia Rodriguez** 6-3 4-6 7-6 after a two-and-a-half hour battle. **Gemma Triay** and **Claudia Fernandez**, meanwhile, made their debut by beating **Sharifova/Martinez** 6-3 6-1. These are the quarters, starting at 10 a.m. on centre court and 12 noon on court number 1: **Ustero/Alonso** (6)-**Ortega/Virseda** (2), **Sainz-Llaguno** (5), **Castelló/Jensen** (3), **Riera/Araujo** (4)-**Osoro/Marrero** (7), **Triay/Fernandez** (1)-**Rufo-Caldera** (8).

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