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## Genova Premier Padel P2, day 3 Lebron and Galan, the first time as opponents

Together, **Ale Galan** and **Juan Lebron** have written pages of padel history. They have won everything there was to win, even at the start of this season, with the **P1** in **Riyadh** opening the new era of the **Premier Padel** circuit. In **Genova**, for the first time, Ale and Juan will find themselves on the same court, but against each other, and whatever happens, it will be a party. **Galan** and **Fede Chingotto**, the number 2 seed at the **Valletta Cambiaso Park**, also made it through the quarterfinals without problems with a 6-3 6-4 win in one hour and 15 minutes over **Lucas Bergamini** and **Victor Ruiz**; even less took Lebron and **Paquito Navarro**, who took only 47 minutes to beat 6-1 6-0 **Lucho Capra** and **Maxi Sanchez**. If the first time as opponents between Galan and Lebron will be the semifinal of the bottom half of the men's draw, in the top half the number 1 and 3 seeds will compete in the top half: **Arturo Coello** and **Agustin Tapia** suffered through one set (they were down 4-5) before beating **Javi Ruiz** and **Pablo Cardona** 7-5 6-3, while **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Martin Di Nenno** beat 6-4 6-3 **Mike Yanguas** and **Javi Garrido**.

**WOMEN** It will be a challenge between former teammates that will also open, at 1 p.m. the semifinals schedule of the women's draw. Until the **BNL Italy Major Premier Padel**, in fact, **Sofia Araujo** and **Virginia Riera** played as a pair. In Genova, however, there will only be a place in the final for one of the two: **Araujo**, paired with **Marta Ortega**, is the number 4 seed and took advantage of the withdrawal in the third set of the number 7 seed **Alejandra Salazar** and **Veronica Virseda** (who had played with Ortega until Rome), while **Riera** now shares the square with **Carmen Goenaga** and, as number 8 seed, eliminated the number 2 seed **Delfi Brea** and **Bea Gonzalez** with a score of 7-5 6-2. The other semi-final, on the other hand, will see the top-ranked pairs facing off: **Paula Josemaria** and **Ari Sanchez**, the queens of the **Rome Major** and number 1 in the **FIP ranking**, beat **Lucia Sainz** and **Patty Llaguno** once again and with the same result – 6-1 6-0, as happened in the final of the BNL Italy Major Premier Padel at the Foro Italico – with the two experienced Spanish players having nothing to do against the queens of world padel. Josemaria/Sanchez will find **Gemma Triay** and **Claudia Fernandez** (3), who in the afternoon reached the ninth semifinal in a row thanks to a double 6-3 in one hour and 36 minutes over **Jessica Castelló** and **Claudia Jensen**.

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