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## Milano Premier Padel P1, day 2. Good debut for Ruiz, Arroyo &co. FIP Race, Cardona under pressure. Wednesday it's time for the stars

The **Milano Premier Padel P1** gets underway, and with it the race for the last spots for the **Finals** in **Barcelona**. Almost all the players in contention in the **FIP Race** made their debuts today, and did so with a victory: **Alex Ruiz** and **Alex Arroyo** (9) beat **Emilio Sanchez Chamero** and **Javi Valdes** 6-4 7-6, as did **Sanyo Gutierrez** paired with **José Diestro** (10) against Italians **Riccardo Sinicropi** and **Lorenzo Di Giovanni** (7-6 6-4). Then in the evening came the success of **Lucas Bergamini** (finalist in Milano in 2022) paired with **Javi Garrido**, against **Javi Garcia** and **Javier Barahona** (7-5 4-6 6-1) in the rematch of the round of 16 of the **Acapulco Major**. The ball now passes to **Pablo Cardona**, who started as number 15 in the Race: the young Spaniard, paired with **Paquito Navarro**, from the number 5 seed will face **Facundo Dominguez** and **Nacho Piotto** tomorrow for a place in the round of 16.

On the other hand, the women's **FIP Race** saw the exit from the tournament of **Virginia Riera**, number 19 at the start of the week, who was defeated in tandem with **Marta Borrero** by **Sofia Saiz** and **Marina Lobo** in the longest match in **Premier Padel** history, which lasted four hours and ended 6-7 6-3 7-6.

**WEDNESDAY** Tomorrow will be the day when the **Allianz Cloud** audience will be able to admire all the world's best players for the first time on the same day. The afternoon session, the one starting not before 6 p.m., will see the debut of **Fernando Belasteguín**, at the last tournament of his career: the Argentinean, paired with compatriot **Tino Libaak**, will face a pair in a good moment such as the one formed by brothers **Nuno** and **Miguel Deus**. Next up are **Arturo Coello** and **Agustin Tapia**, who have just arrived from Mexico and are ready to test the Milano's court in their match against qualifiers **Mario Ortega** and **Tonet Sans**. They will close with **Fede Chingotto** and **Ale Galan** (2), who are coming off two defeats in the semifinals and will start against **Alvaro Cepero** and **Miguel Benitez**. Finally, for **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Mike Yanguas**, finalists in Acapulco, there are **Enrique Goenaga** and **Teo Zapata**, while **Juan Lebron** (defending champion with Galan) with **Martin Di Nenno** awaits **Dani Santigosa** and **Miguel Lamperti**. In the women's draw, **Gemma Triay** and **Claudia Fernandez** will return to the court after their triumph in Mexico: their opponents, in the last match of the morning session (starting at 10 a.m. CET), will be qualifiers **Raquel Eugenio** and **Martina Fassio**. Defending champions **Delfi Brea** and **Bea Gonzalez** will be joined by **Ana Catarina Nogueira** and **Laia Rodriguez**.

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