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INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA TALKING POINTS

- Sunday's championship at the Internazionali BNL d'Italia between World No. 1 and five-time champion **Novak Djokovic** and No. 4 seed **Stefanos Tsitsipas** is their first meeting since last year's Roland Garros final in which the Serb rallied from two sets down to prevail in five sets. Djokovic owns a 6-2 head-to-head advantage (4-0 on clay), winning the last five meetings. He also won in three sets here in the QFs last year.
- Djokovic is appearing in his fourth straight Rome final (1-2) and 12th overall final (5-6) in 16 tournament appearances. This is the second time he's advanced to the final without dropping a set (8-0). In 2017, he did not lose a set before falling to Zverev. The last Rome winner without losing a set was Andy Murray in 2016.
- Djokovic, at 34 years, 11 months, 23 days, is trying to become the oldest Rome champion in the Open Era. Last year Rafael Nadal at 34 years, 11 months, 13 days, became the oldest winner (d. Djokovic).
- Djokovic, who is the leader this week in return games won (16 of 38, 42%), is the all-time leader in ATP Masters 1000 finals (55) and titles (37). Overall he is 86-38 in finals. His last title came in ATP Masters 1000 Paris on 7 November 2021 (d. Medvedev).
- **1,000 Wins Club** – Djokovic became the fifth man in the Open Era (since 1968) to earn 1,000 tour-level wins with his victory over Ruud on Saturday. Here is a look at the 1,000 Wins Club:

Most Wins in Open Era		W-L as of 1,000th Win		Age as of 1,000th Win	
Jimmy Connors	1,274	Connors	1,000-164	Connors	32 years, 11 days
Roger Federer	1,251	Lendl	1,000-199	Lendl	32 years, 7 months
Ivan Lendl	1,068	Nadal	1,000-201	Federer	33 years, 5 months
Rafael Nadal	1,051	Federer	1,000-227	Nadal	34 years, 5 months
Novak Djokovic	1,000	Djokovic	1,000-203	Djokovic	34 years, 11 months (turns 35 on 22 May)

- Tsitsipas, who leads the ATP Tour with 31 wins this season (31-9), is appearing in his fifth ATP Masters 1000 final (2-2) and the 20th of his career (8-11). He is 27-35 lifetime against Top 10 opponents, including 1-9 vs. World No. 1s. His lone No. 1 win came over Djokovic in 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai quarter-finals.
- **Winning Monte Carlo, Rome** – Tsitsipas is trying to become the third active player to win Monte Carlo and Rome titles in the same season:

	Year
Novak Djokovic	2015
Rafael Nadal	2018, 2012, 2010+, 2009, 2007, 2006, 2005
+ Also won Madrid	

Note: Thomas Muster (1995-96) and Gustavo Kuerten (1999) also accomplished the feat (since 1990).

Most Wins in 2022 on ATP Tour		Most Wins Since Start of 2018 on ATP Tour	
Stefanos Tsitsipas	31	Novak Djokovic	217
Carlos Alcaraz	28	Stefanos Tsitsipas	215
Andrey Rublev	25	Alexander Zverev	215
Jannik Sinner	24	Daniil Medvedev	209
Alexander Zverev	24	Rafael Nadal, Andrey Rublev	177

2022 Rome Statistics	Novak Djokovic	Stefanos Tsitsipas
Aces	8	33
1st-Serve Percentage	67% (151 of 225)	64% (238 of 370)
1st-Serve Points Won	74% (111 of 151)	73% (173 of 238)
2nd-Serve Points Won	62% (46 of 74)	53% (70 of 132)
Service Games Won	87% (33 of 38)	89% (48 of 54)
Break Points Saved	58% (7 of 12)	74% (17 of 23)
1st-Serve Return Points Won	34% (52 of 152)	31% (61 of 198)
2nd-Serve Return Points Won	62% (66 of 107)	54% (63 of 116)
Return Games Won	42% (16 of 38)	25% (13 of 52)
Break Points Converted	47% (16 of 34)	54% (13 of 24)

Bold leads the tournament

ATP HEAD2HEAD: CHAMPIONSHIP SINGLES AND DOUBLES MATCHES

CENTER COURT

[1] Novak Djokovic (SRB) vs [4] Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	Djokovic Leads 6-2
18 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (Canada) Hard R16 Stefanos Tsitsipas	6-3 6-7(5) 6-3
19 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain) Clay F Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-4
19 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (China) Hard QF Stefanos Tsitsipas	3-6 7-5 6-3
19 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France) Hard QF Novak Djokovic	6-1 6-2
20 Dubai (U.A.E.) Hard F Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-4
20 Roland Garros (France) Clay SF Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-2 5-7 4-6 6-1
21 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy) Clay QF Novak Djokovic	4-6 7-5 7-5
21 Roland Garros (France) Clay F Novak Djokovic	6-7(6) 2-6 6-3 6-2 6-4

Novak Djokovic | Age: 34 | World No. 1 | Career-High No. 1 | 2022: 11-4 (Belgrade, Rome Final) | Rome: 63-10 (5 Titles)
 > Owns ATP Rankings records for most weeks at No. 1 (369) and most years ended at No. 1 (7).
 > Twenty-time Grand Slam champion is 1 of 3 men to hold titles at all 4 Grand Slam events at same time (also Budge, Laver) and 1 of 4 men to win all 4 Grand Slam events more than once (also Nadal, Emerson, Laver).
 > Captured 5 Nitto ATP Finals titles overall and is only player to win 4 in a row (2008, 2012-15).
 > Only player to win all 9 ATP Masters 1000 events, doing so multiple times for a record total of 37 titles.
 > Boasts winning records against Federer (27-23) and Nadal (30-28), as well as win streaks of 43 matches overall (2010-11), record 31 matches at ATP Masters 1000s (2011) and Open Era-record 30 matches at Grand Slams (2015-16).

NOTES: Djokovic is appearing in his 4th consecutive Rome final (eight of last nine years) and 12th overall (5-6). Djokovic is 231-106 against Top-10 opponents – most Top-10 wins since start of Pepperstone ATP Rankings in 1973. He is 86-38 in career finals, including 37-17 in ATP Masters 1000 finals.

Most ATP Masters 1000 SFs		Most ATP Masters 1000 Finals		Most ATP Masters 1000 Titles	
Rafael Nadal	76	Novak Djokovic	55	Novak Djokovic	37
Novak Djokovic	73	Rafael Nadal	53	Rafael Nadal	36
Roger Federer	66	Roger Federer	50	Roger Federer	28
Andy Murray	33	Andre Agassi	22	Andre Agassi	17
Andre Agassi	32	Andy Murray	21	Andy Murray	14

Stefanos Tsitsipas | Age: 23 | World No. 5 | Career-High No. 3 | 2022: 31-9 (Monte Carlo Title) | Rome: 9-4 (2022 Final)
 > Top-ranked Greek of all time achieved career-high No. 5 in August 2019, No. 4 in June 2021 and No. 3 in August 2021. Will move from No. 5 to No. 4 in Pepperstone ATP Rankings on Monday (regardless of final result).
 > Five-time Grand Slam semi-finalist became 1st Greek Grand Slam finalist at 2021 Roland Garros, as well as youngest Grand Slam finalist at age 22 since Murray, 22, at 2010 Australian Open.
 > Captured 2018 Intesa Sanpaolo Next Gen ATP Finals title at age 20 and 2019 Nitto ATP Finals title at age 21, becoming youngest champion of the latter since Hewitt, 20, in 2001.
 > Won 8 ATP Tour titles including 2021 and 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo, but still seeking 1st ATP 500 title (0-8 in finals).
 > Youngest of 29 players to defeat Nadal (2019 Madrid SF), Federer (2019 Australian Open 4R) and Djokovic (2018 Toronto 3R), sweeping Big 3 before turning 21.

NOTE: Tsitsipas, who leads the ATP Tour with 31 wins this season (14-2 on clay), is appearing in his 5th ATP Masters 1000 final of career (2-2) and 1st in Rome. This is the Greek's 20th career final (8-11)

ATP HEAD2HEAD: DOUBLES FINAL

**John Isner (USA) / Diego Schwartzman (ARG) vs
[3] Nikola Mektic (CRO) / Mate Pavic (CRO)**

First Meeting

Isner / Schwartzman Notes

> Isner and Schwartzman are teaming up for the first time together and three of their four wins en route to the final have come in a Match Tie-break: over S. Gonzalez/Molteni 57 63 10-1 in 1R, [5] Cabal/Farah 63 36 12-10 in 2R and Golubev/M. Gonzalez 64 46 11-9 in SF.

> Isner, 23-4 on the season, is appearing in his third ATP Masters 1000 doubles final of the season with a third different partner, having won Indian Wells (w/Sock) and Miami (w/Hurkacz). He's trying to become the first player to win three Masters 1000 titles with as many partners in a season (since 1990).

> Individually, Isner is a career-high No. 22 and is projected to move to No. 20 in the Pepperstone ATP Doubles Rankings on Monday (No. 18 if he wins title). Schwartzman is ranked No. 307 (career-high No. 39 in 2020).

> Isner, 37, is appearing in his third Rome final, reaching the final in 2010 and winning the title in 2011 (both w/Querrey). He is 8-5 in career ATP Tour finals (5-2 in ATP Masters 1000s). His other ATP Masters 1000 titles came in 2016 Shanghai and 2018 Indian Wells (both w/Sock).

> Schwartzman, 29, is looking to win his first career ATP Tour doubles title in his fifth final (0-4). His last doubles final came at 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (w/Thiem). His other finals were 2019 Buenos Aires, 2016 Istanbul and 2015 Sao Paulo.

Mektic / Pavic Notes

> Mektic and Pavic are No. 14 in Pepperstone ATP Doubles Team Rankings coming into Rome and with a title they will climb to No. 4. They own a 79-23 record in 2nd year together with a 9-5 record in finals. Last year they finished No. 1 with a 65-13 record and 9-3 in finals. This season they are 14-10 and 0-2 in finals (Dubai, Belgrade).

> The defending champions did not lose a set (10-0) last year (d. Ram/Salisbury) and they have not dropped a set (8-0) en route to the final, beating [7] Koolhof/Skupski in QF. They are trying to become first back-to-back champions since Cabal/Farah in 2018-19.

> Individually, Mektic is No. 6 (career-high No. 1 in 2021) and Pavic is No. 4 (career-high No. 1 in 2018).

> Mektic, 33, is 17-13 in career finals (6-2 in ATP Masters 1000s) and 1-1 in Grand Slam finals. Last year won first Grand Slam men's title at Wimbledon (w/Pavic). Also won gold medal at Tokyo Olympics (w/Pavic). Runner-up at 2020 US Open (w/Koolhof).

> Pavic, 28, is 26-27 in career finals (4-4 in ATP Masters 1000s). He is 3-2 in Grand Slam men's finals, winning 2021 Wimbledon (w/Mektic), 2020 US Open (w/Soares) and 2018 Australian Open (w/Marach). He was runner-up at 2020 Roland Garros (w/Soares) and 2017 Wimbledon (w/Marach).

2022 ATP Tour Doubles Wins Leaders

	Wins	Titles
1) Wesley Koolhof	33	4
2) Neal Skupski	32	4
3) John Isner	23	2
4) Rohan Bopanna	22	2
5) Fabio Fognini	20	1
Santiago Gonzalez	20	2

2022 ATP Masters 1000 Doubles Finals

Indian Wells:	Isner/Sock d. S. Gonzalez/Roger-Vasselin 76(4) 63
Miami:	Hurkacz/ Isner d. Koolhof/N. Skupski 76(5) 64
Monte Carlo:	Ram/Salisbury d. Cabal/Farah 64 36 10-7
Madrid:	Koolhof/N. Skupski d. Cabal/Farah 67(4) 64 10-5