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Main Draw Qualifiers: Names and Faces

Repentigny, August 23, 2025 – Canada was proudly represented during the two days of qualifying action at the 38th edition of the Repentigny National Bank Junior Tennis Internationals. Names and faces of those earning a spot in the main draw are now known. Everything begins this Sunday and runs through next Saturday, August 30, at Larochelle Park.

In boys' action, 12 Canadians (for a total of six matches) faced off in the second qualifying round (Q2).

Top seed Loic Petrecca won his match 7-5, 6-1 against Montreal's Yanis Roch. Petrecca, 18, trains at the Aliassime Tennis Academy in Quebec City. He was the winner at the J100 doubles tournament in Quebec City in 2024.

Aaron-David Mefire Younzwe, seeded 6th, needed three sets, 4-6, 6-3, 10-4, to beat Quebec City's Simon Stoyanov to qualify for the main draw. The 15-year-old native of Saint-Jean-sur-Richelieu was a singles runner-up at the J30 Douala event last year.

Maxim Yevdayev, aged 17 (#8) from Brossard, defeated Montreal's Rafael Brown (#3) 6-4, 6-4. Yevdayev played the doubles finals at the Punta Cana J30 tournament in 2024.

16-year-old 8th seed Samuel Pelletier, of Saint-Augustin-de-Desmaures, got by Montreal's Pierre-Olivier Hay, 6-4, 6-2, 10-5. Earlier this season, Pelletier won the doubles at the J30 in Saint-François as well as the J30 Le Diamant.

Loic Massote, 2nd seed, recorded a straight-set victory, 7-5, 7-5, over Kartick Gusain, seeded 9th. He now joins his twin brother, Xavier, in the main draw. The twins are the reigning winners of the J30 San Jose doubles tournament, last November.

Fourth-seeded Mathias Hamel-Van Dun ousted Antoine Martel of Trois-Rivières, 7-5, 6-4. The 16-year-old junior from Longueuil has excelled in singles action, winning the Saint-François and Le Diamant J30 events.

On the girls' side, seven of the ten Canadian athletes (six matches) faced each other in the second round (Q2).

American Isabelle Sobee Oak, second-seeded qualifier, won 6-3, 6-1 against local crowd favourite Raphaëlle Bruneau of Repentigny. The 17-year-old previously won last year's Ottawa J30.

Fellow American Anastasia Pleskun, the #1 seed in qualifying matchups, easily moved on with a 6-0, 6-0 performance against Canada's Alissa Anaëlle Theano. Pleskun, 15, has won the Halifax J30.

Third-seeded Neda Rahimkhani, from Gatineau, defeated seventh-seeded Amaliya Bakumenko, of Ukraine, 6-2, 4-6, 10-7. Currently aged 17, Rahimkhani won the silver medal with Team Quebec at the 2025 Canada Games.

Ninth-seed Alexia Campagna of Repentigny upset fourth-seeded Alexie Normandin of Montreal with a 6-4, 3-6, 11-9 crowd pleaser. Campagna, 17, trains at the Momentum Tennis Academy.

Thea Istrate of Montreal (#10) advanced to the main draw following the withdrawal of her fellow country lady Marylee Longpre.

Young Maya Iacoban (14 years-old) of Vaudreuil-Dorion (#11), won her match 6-4, 6-3 against the sixth-seeded Montrealer, Laure Fortier-Gariépy. Iacoban was runner-up doubles play at last year's J30 tournament in Nova Scotia.

What to watch out for on Sunday

The first main draw matches begin on Sunday, August 24, at Larochelle Park in Repentigny. In case of rain, matches may be played indoors at the Repentigny Recreation Centre and Tennis 13 facility in Laval. For full details, follow us on our website: itjr.ca.

Free General Admission

One thing never changes at the tournament: free general admission to Larochelle Park main court to watch all tournament matches.

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