



CAMPBELL'S HALL OF FAME TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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MARDY FISH TO PLAY IN THE CAMPBELL'S HALL OF FAME TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS, JULY 7-13

FISH DEFEATS FEDERER IN INDIAN WELLS SEMIFINAL!

Newport, RI – The International Tennis Hall of Fame announced today that ATP Pro Mardy Fish has entered the Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships, scheduled for July 7-13 in Newport. This will be Fish's seventh appearance in Newport, where he was a quarterfinalist in 2000, 2002 and 2006.

This past week at the Indian Wells Master Series tournament, Fish regained the form he possessed back in 2003 when he was ranked as high as No. 19. Fish defeated the No. 4 seed Nikolay Davydenko (63, 62), the No. 24 seed Lleyton Hewitt (75, 36, 76(4)) and the No. 7 seed David Nalbandian (63, 67(5), 76(4)) to reach the semifinals. On Saturday, he handily defeated the No. 1 seed and current world No. 1 ranked player Roger Federer in straight sets (63, 62). Although he lost the three-set final to the new hard court specialist Novak Djokovic (62, 57, 63), Fish jumped 58 places in the ATP rankings to hold at No. 40.

"We are pleased that Mardy will be coming back to Newport," said Mark Stenning, Hall of Fame CEO and Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships Tournament Director. "He has been a loyal player to the Hall of Fame tournament and we look forward to seeing Mardy in July."

Born in Edina, Minnesota and now residing in Tampa, Fish is currently the third highest ranked American behind Andy Roddick (No. 6) and James Blake (No. 9). He was the silver medalist at the 2004 Olympics and earned the 2006 Comeback Player of the Year award after having two left wrist procedures in 2005. Fish became the first wild card to win an ATP title in 2006 when he won his second career title in Houston, his first since defeating Robin Soderling in Stockholm in 2003. In 2007 Fish was a semi-finalist at Auckland and Memphis and a quarterfinalist at San Jose and the Australian Open. He was also runner-up to fellow American James Blake last year in New Haven.

Prior to Indian Wells, Fish reached the third round of the 2008 Australian Open and the quarterfinals at both Delray Beach and San Jose. This week, Fish heads to Miami for the Sony Ericsson Open Masters Series tournament (March 26-April 6).

The Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships, an ATP event, brings the top men in professional tennis to Newport, Rhode Island to compete on the legendary grass courts at the International Tennis Hall of Fame. The first U.S. National Lawn Tennis Championships were played in Newport in 1881, the tournament which evolved into the largest stage for tennis, the US Open. Today, the Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships remains the only professional tournament played on grass in North America.

Tickets are on sale now for the Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships played for the Van Alen Cup, and can be ordered online at www.tennisfame.com or by calling 866-914-FAME.

In conjunction with the Campbell's Hall of Fame Tennis Championships, the International Tennis Hall of Fame will hold its annual Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony on Saturday, July 12. The Class of 2008 will honor Michael Chang and contributors Mark McCormack and Eugene Scott. Tickets for Saturday's semifinal matches and the 2008 Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony are also available online. To purchase tickets, go to tennisfame.com. For additional information call the Tournament Office at 866-914-FAME.

The International Tennis Hall of Fame & Museum is a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving the history and heritage of tennis and its champions. For more information regarding the International Tennis Hall of Fame and its programs, please call 401-849-3990. Visit our website at www.tennisfame.com.