

THE INTERNATIONAL CLUB OF THE BAHAMAS

IC DOUBLES WEEK - JANUARY 2011

To celebrate 25 years as an IC, The Bahamas will stage a six-day international IC Team Doubles Competition for eight country teams from Sunday 9th January to Saturday 15th January 2011. The country IC's will compete for "The SG Private Banking" trophy who are the main sponsor.

FORMAT: There will be two round robin groups of four teams. Each team will play the other teams in their group on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. Thursday will be a full "Enjoy The Bahamas" day with no tennis planned. This will be followed by "Play Offs" on Friday between opposite numbers in the round robins (1v1, 2v2, 3v3 and 4v4) to decide the winner and next seven places. There will be a final night Presentation Dinner the same evening. This way all teams will have four inter-country matches against other ICs.

TEAM COMPOSITION: Each team will have a minimum four men and two women playing each day. Countries can bring more players and use extra if desired. Age categories for teams are:

Man 50+, Man 55+, Man 60+, Man 65+, Lady 40+, Lady 60+.

Each country match will have 5 Doubles Matches (2 Men's, 2 Mixed & 1 Ladies): Man 50+ with man 55+; Man 60+ with man 65+; Lady 40+ with Lady 60+; Man 50/55+ with Lady 40+; Man 60+/65+ with Lady 60+. We hope to have each team playing primarily in the morning or afternoon so the rest of the day can be free to enjoy what Breezes Resort and The Bahamas has to offer.

DATES: Arrival Sunday 9th January with departure Saturday 15th January 2011.

VENUE: We will use Breezes Superclubs Bahamas as the hotel and venue for playing. If more courts are needed, we will use the BLTA National Tennis Centre about 15 minutes away. Both are hard courts. Breezes is an "all inclusive" resort so, as well as the room, all **meals** and **drinks** are included for the six nights stay. We plan to start play early as players and supporters are on site. Breezes is located in the Cable Beach resort area of Nassau, Bahamas. The resort is a mid market venue of 390 rooms on a beach, with swimming pool and other facilities, including some free water sports and a rock climbing wall. It tends to cater to a slightly younger adult-only crowd but, with our anticipated IC group consisting of around 60 to 80 people, we expect to create our own atmosphere. There is a casino nearby and we will plan other activities for you to enjoy in The Bahamas during the week. While The Bahamas is a popular winter resort with weather good for tennis, it is not always true beach lazing weather at this time of year, so please be aware of this.

COSTS: We will make no distinction between IC players and IC supporters who will all get the same package of 6 nights stay at the hotel with all meals and drinks included, plus a "Free Day" activity, Welcome Cocktail Party, Bahamas Welcome Pack and a final night Presentation Dinner at a cost of \$1,000 per person sharing a twin room. Single occupancy will be an additional \$60 per night. We anticipate including airport transfers. So while participants may wish to spend more money and do some extra things while in The Bahamas there is minimum need for any additional expenditure. There will be a separate "Team Entry" charge of \$500 per country. Additional nights at Breezes before, or afterwards, for up to 4 days will be available at a cost of \$135 per person per night "all inclusive" sharing a room. All rooms must be confirmed with names and paid for in advance (50% by 1st September 2010 and balance by 1st November 2010). In the event of late cancellations, we will try to obtain a refund or substitute an alternative person but cannot guarantee this so we recommend holiday insurance..

ENTRIES: Will be accepted provisionally on a first come, first served basis and confirmed upon receipt of the Team Entry fee. They will remain valid provided payments for participants are received on time with names. We will attempt to add or substitute participants after this but cannot guarantee it.

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