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### **Summer Tennis off to a Legendary Start**

Legendary streak continues when the St. Louis Aces kick off their season July 6

ST. LOUIS, Mo.- July is just around the corner and the St. Louis Aces and World TeamTennis (WTT) have exciting things happening as they get ready for their legendary 2010 season. 2010 marks the 35<sup>th</sup> season of World TeamTennis.

Legendary records were broken yesterday as WTT player and world no. 19, John Isner and Nicolas Mahut battled it out in a lengthy first round Wimbledon match. The match was tied at 59 games each in the fifth set when it had to be suspended for the second day in a row due to darkness. As of Wednesday night the match has gone on for a total of 10 hours, yesterday's fifth set took around 7 of those hours making it the longest tennis match on record. Isner will play for WTT's Boston Lobsters this July in Boston.

To keep up with the legendary season of tennis, St. Louis Aces leading lady Anna Kournikova and visiting marquee player Martina Hingis will play together in the Legends Doubles Tournament at Wimbledon. Kournikova will join the Aces in St. Louis on July 17 to take on the Newport Beach Breakers. Hingis will play in St. Louis on July 22 with her team, the New York Buzz.

Tennis legend and Aces star Lindsay Davenport will play mixed doubles with Bob Bryan at Wimbledon. Davenport will play six home matches for the Aces including the home opener on July 6 and July 7, 9, 10, 13 & 17. She will face off against World No. 2 Venus Williams of the Washington Kastles on July 10 and she will team up with Anna Kournikova on July 17.

To kick off the 35<sup>th</sup> season of WTT in legendary style the Aces are hosting 35<sup>th</sup> Season Throwback Night on Tuesday, July 6. The home opener will feature 1970's prices on



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tickets and concessions, funky throwback tunes and a costume contest where the best retro outfit wins tickets to the 2010 US Open. You can get 2 adult tickets for the July 6 home opener for \$35 (\$17.50 each) and tickets are \$15 for kids 12 & under.

Tickets are available now online at MetroTix.com or by phone 314-534-1111. For more information about the matches and the St. Louis Aces visit stlouisaces.com or call 314-647-ACES.

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World TeamTennis was started by tennis legend Billie Jean King in 1974. The 2010 WTT season runs from July 5 to July 22.

### St. Louis Aces 2010 Home Schedule

All matches played at Dwight Davis Tennis Center, 5620 Grand Drive, Forest Park, St. Louis, MO. Gates open at 5:30pm and matches start at 7:15pm.

Tuesday, July 6	Aces vs. Springfield Lasers (Lindsay Davenport-STL)
Wednesday, July 7	Aces vs. Sacramento Capitals (Lindsay Davenport-STL)
Friday, July 9	Aces vs. Boston Lobsters (Lindsay Davenport-STL)
Saturday, July 10	Aces vs. Washington Kastles (Venus Williams-WAS & Lindsay Davenport-STL)
Tuesday, July 13	Aces vs. Kansas City Explorers (Lindsay Davenport-STL)
Saturday, July 17	Aces vs. Newport Beach Breakers (Anna Kournikova & Lindsay Davenport-STL)
Thursday, July 22	Aces vs. New York Buzz (Martina Hingis-NYB)

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