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Aces Draft Kournikova; Bryan Brothers to visit Aces marquee roster to include Roddick and Kournikova for 2008 and release home match schedule

(February 29, 2008) - - - Anna Kournikova, one of the most publicized female players to play the game of tennis will play for the St. Louis Aces this July. Joining her on the squad is No. 6 ranked Andy Roddick. Fellow Americans and Davis Cup winners Bob and Mike Bryan will play against St. Louis July 20 with the Kansas City Explorers.

Friday, July 4	Aces vs. Delaware Smash
Saturday, July 5	Aces vs. New York Buzz
Monday, July 7	Aces vs. Sacramento Capitals
Tuesday, July 8	Aces vs. Newport Beach Breakers
Saturday, July 12	Aces vs. Kansas City Explorers starring Andy Roddick
Friday, July 18	Aces vs. Springfield Lasers starring Anna Kournikova
Sunday, July 20	Aces vs. Kansas City Explorers starring Mike and Bob Bryan

“I think this is a great schedule that reflects our “party atmosphere,” said Aces GM Dani Apted. “ We start on the holiday weekend where we can offer fans a great night out that



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won't break their budget. Having both Andy and Anna play for the Aces means we're going to have a strong season and our fans are going to see the best tennis in the world!

Kournikova last played in St. Louis in 2006. This year, she will be playing for the Aces.

"I know there are a lot of naysayers out there who criticize Anna for not winning the big slams, that her talent is her looks, not her tennis," said Apted. "But if you know anything about tennis, you know she won multiple doubles titles, which is no easy feat. I'd also say to them she still hits the heck out of the ball and I'm thrilled she's playing for the Aces."

Apted said she looks forward to having the No. 1 men's doubles team in the world Mike and Bob Bryan, who are playing their fourth season for the Kansas City Explorers.

"The Bryans always bring a tremendous amount of energy and enthusiasm to World TeamTennis," she said. "We're excited to have them back on our visiting roster and

Apted said the Aces consistently draft top ranked players, and looks forward to announcing a young, competitive team following the April 1 draft.

The season will include a variety of matches, targeting young adults, families, kids and pets.

The Aces 2008 motto "Party in the Parks" comes to light with VIP Hospitality packages, meet the player parties, beer samplings and exciting promotions while the matches are a place to mix and mingle with the best athletes in the world – and of course your friends.

Our bar won't break your budget, Apted said, with the World TeamTennis format even "non-tennis" fans can get into the excitement. Additionally, the Aces and Dwight Davis Tennis Center have pledged to "go green" this year, adding more recycling containers to the facility, implementing a recycling initiative for kids to get discounted tickets and more.

Beside the featured Merrill Lynch sponsored Andy Roddick match, the season will include a mix of themes that grab at a wide group of interests from "Bring Your Pooch to the Match" to "Rally for a Cure Night" to raise money to cure breast cancer.

The Aces are the only WTT team to offer a kids clinic each match night where ticketholders 6 to 13 years of age get a 45-minute clinic and tennis racquet to keep!



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Season tickets, gift certificates and group sales are currently available. Individual tickets for matches go on sale June 1.

For more information, visit www.stlouisaces.com or call (314) 647-2237. All matches are held at the Dwight Davis Tennis Center, 5620 Grand Drive, Forest Park, St. Louis, MO.

League Background

The 2008 season will be the 33rd year of World TeamTennis action. WTT is well known for introducing innovative elements to tennis including instant replay, co-ed format, cumulative and no-ad scoring, on-court coaching, Supertiebreakers, multi-colored courts and player names on back of their shirts.

The unique gender-balanced team concept for WTT was created in the early 70s by League co-founders Billie Jean King and Larry King. The format used for a WTT Pro League match features teams comprised of two men, two women and a coach. Each match consists of five sets, with one set each of men's and women's singles, men's and women's doubles and mixed doubles. Eleven teams throughout the U.S. compete in the WTT Pro League presented by Advanta during July.

Advanta is the presenting sponsor of the WTT Pro League and the official business credit card of World TeamTennis. Official WTT Pro League sponsors for the 2008 season are Bälle de Match, FirmGreen Energy, Gatorade, GEICO and Wilson Racquet Sports.

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