

CHALLENGER WEEKLY SPOTLIGHT 2015

CHALLENGER SPOTLIGHT: PAIRE CONTINUES DOMINANT RUN WITH SECOND TITLE OF YEAR

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 Benoit Paire won his second ATP Challenger Tour title of the year.

Revisit the week that was on the ATP Challenger Tour as we applaud the achievements of those on the rise and look ahead to who's in action in the week to come.

A LOOK BACK

Open BNP Paribas Banque de Bretagne (Quimper, France): Benoit Paire extended his ATP Challenger Tour-leading win-loss mark to 14-1 in 2015, downing countryman [Gregoire Barrere](#)

6-4, 3-6, 6-4 in Quimper. The Frenchman has reached three finals in four weeks, claiming a pair of titles. He needed one hour and 41 minutes to defeat Barrere for his fifth career crown.

Paire, who becomes the third different Frenchman to emerge victorious in the five-year history of the event, makes his Top 100 return with the win. Wild card Barrere, 21, was contesting just his third tournament on the Challenger circuit.

2015 Match Wins Leaders

| Player | Matches Won |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|
| Benoit Paire (FRA) | 14 |
| Hyeon Chung (KOR) | 12 |
| Ruben Bemelmans (BEL) | 10 |
| Farrukh Dustov (UZB) | 10 |
| Maxime Authom (BEL) | 10 |

What the Players are Saying

Paire: "I really thank everyone, the organisation, the ball kids, the tournament directors, the crowd for coming along this week and being so fantastic. Honestly I won't say 'see you next year' because I really hope I'll come back to bigger tournaments as soon as possible. It was a great, super week here. I had fun and I want to say congrats again to Gregoire. It wasn't a huge surprise to face him today. He plays well. I wish him all the best."

Barrere: "I had a great and unexpected week. Thanks to everyone, mainly to the physios, drivers and all the staff. It improved my life. I'm not used to (playing in Challengers) and it was a pleasure to be there. I hope I can come back next year to finally win the title."



WHAT'S AHEAD

The 10th edition of the Cachantun Cup, in Santiago, Chile, welcomes back two former champions in third seed [Maximo Gonzalez](#) (2009, '11) and fourth seed [Facundo Bagnis](#) (2013). [Joao Souza](#) leads the field and [Alejandro Gonzalez](#) is seeded second.

Guangzhou hosts the fourth China International, as top seed [Blaz Kavcic](#) and Kazakhstan's Davis Cup hero [Aleksandr Nedovyesov](#) travel to the Far East. Teenage phenom [Hyeon Chung](#) is also present, as are 2014 runner-up [Yuichi Sugita](#) and 2011 finalist [Alexander Kudryavtsev](#).

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