

£50,000 (\$88,500) COLGATE INTERNATIONAL

DEVONSHIRE PARK (GRASS), EASTBOURNE, SUSSEX, GREAT BRITAIN; JUNE 14-20, 1976

SINGLES (79) Preliminary Round (£150): Nana Sato (JPN) d. Wendy Paish (AUS) 6-1 6-2; Cynthia Doerner (AUS) d. Gail Lovera (FRA) 6-3 6-3; Yvonne Vermaak (RSA) d. Marita Redondo (USA) 6-3 6-3; Lesley Hunt (AUS) d. Tine Zwaan (NED) 6-0 6-3; Patti Hogan (USA) d. Belinda Thompson 6-4 6-1; Linky Boshoff (RSA) d. Glynis Coles 2-6 6-2 6-1; Winnie Wooldridge d. Laurie Tenney (USA) 6-1 9-8; Betsy Nagelsen (USA) d. Michele Gurdal (BEL) 6-0 6-0; Alison McMillan (RSA) d. Annette Coe 6-4 6-1; [6] Natasha Chmyreva (URS) d. Sharon Walsh (USA) 6-1 6-1; Veronica Burton d. Jenny Dimond (AUS) 7-5 9-7; Maria Bueno (BRA) d. Robin Tenney (USA) 2-1 ret.; Beth Norton (USA) d. Lindsay Blachford 6-4 5-7 6-3; Mima Jausovec (YUG) d. Julie Anthony (USA) 8-6 6-2; Valerie Ziegenfuss (USA) d. Tory Fretz (USA) 6-2 7-5.

1st Round (£200): [1] Chris Evert (USA) d. Christina Sandberg (SWE) 6-3 6-2; Annette du Plooy (RSA) d. Heidi Eisterlehner (GER) 6-4 6-3; Greer Stevens (RSA) d. Marise Kruger (RSA) 6-4 6-3; Kathy Kuykendall (USA) d. Brigitte Cuypers (RSA) 5-7 6-2 6-3; [7] Sue Barker d. Jackie Fayter 9-8 6-4; Kathy Harter (USA) d. Sue Mappin 6-8 9-8 6-0; Betty Stove (NED) d. Lucia Almeida (BRA) 6-1 6-0; JoAnne Russell (USA) d. Joyce Hume 6-3 2-6 6-4; [4] Olga Morozova (URS) d. Ingrid Bentzer (SWE) 6-2 6-1; Wendy Turnbull (AUS) d. Rowena Whitehouse (RSA) 6-3 6-3; Pam Teeguarden (USA) d. Dianne Fromholtz (AUS) 1-6 7-5 6-2; Janice Metcalf (USA) d. Lesley Charles 8-6 2-6 6-3; [5] Rosie Casals (USA) d. Sato 6-3 6-4; Doerner d. Vermaak 5-7 6-3 6-4; Hunt d. Hogan 6-0 6-4; Boshoff d. Wooldridge 3-6 6-3 6-2; Nagelsen d. McMillan 6-4 6-1; Chmyreva d. Burton 6-1 6-4; Bueno d. Norton 6-1 4-6 6-3; Jausovec d. Ziegenfuss 6-1 5-7 6-2; Linda Mottram d. Petra Delhees (SUI) 8-6 8-6; Ilana Kloss (RSA) d. Linda Thomas (USA) 6-2 2-6 6-1; Bunny Bruning (USA) d. Kathy May (USA) w/o; [3] Martina Navratilova (TCH) d. Annina von Planta (SUI) 6-3 6-3; Ann Kiyomura (USA) d. Elizabeth Vlotman (RSA) 6-3 6-1; Laura duPont (USA) d. Michele Tyler 6-1 7-5; Florenza Mihai (ROU) d. [8] Kerry Reid (AUS) 6-4 3-6 6-4; Mona Guerrant (USA) d. Renata Tomanova (TCH) 6-4 6-1; Marcie Louie (USA) d. Lindsey Beaven 6-3 6-3; Terry Holladay (USA) d. Sue Mehmedbasich (USA) 6-3 6-4; Jeanne Evert (USA) d. Elley Appel-Vessies (NED) 6-3 6-4; [2] Virginia Wade d. Virginia Ruzici (ROU) 6-2 6-3.

2nd Round (£300): [1] C.Evert d. du Plooy 6-1 6-1; Stevens d. Kuykendall 6-2 6-1; [7] Barker d. Harter 6-3 6-3; Stove d. Russell 6-4 6-2; [4] Morozova d. Turnbull 6-1 3-6 6-1; Teeguarden d. Metcalf 6-4 3-6 6-2; [5] Casals d. Doerner 6-2 6-2; Hunt d. Boshoff 6-2 6-2; Nagelsen d. [7] Chmyreva 6-3 6-4; Bueno d. Jausovec 6-4 6-3; Mottram d. Kloss 3-6 9-7 6-4; [3] Navratilova d. Bruning 3-6 6-3 6-1; Kiyomura d. duPont 3-6 6-3 6-4; Guerrant d. Mihai 6-3 7-5; Holladay d. Louie 6-4 6-3; [2] Wade d. J.Evert 6-1 6-3.

3rd Round (£600): [1] Evert d. Stevens 6-0 6-1; Stove d. [7] Barker 0-6 6-3 6-1; [4] Morozova d. Teeguarden 6-0 2-6 6-1; [5] Casals d. Hunt 6-1 6-3; Nagelsen d. Bueno 5-7 6-1 7-5; [3] Navratilova d. Mottram 6-3 6-1; Guerrant d. Kiyomura 6-4 7-9 6-2; [2] Wade d. Holladay 6-1 4-6 6-1.

Quarterfinals (£1,000): [1] Evert d. Stove 7-5 6-4; [4] Morozova d. [5] Casals 6-3 6-4; [3] Navratilova d. Nagelsen 6-2 6-3; [2] Wade d. Guerrant 3-6 6-2 6-3.

Semifinals (£2,500): [1] Evert d. [4] Morozova 6-2 6-3; [2] Wade d. [3] Navratilova 6-4 6-4.

Final: [1] Evert (£9,000/\$16,000) d. [2] Wade (£5,000/\$9,000) 8-6 6-3.

DOUBLES FINAL (£6,000): [1] Evert/Navratilova led [2] Morozova/Wade 6-4 1-1 (divided due to rain).

Finals rained out on Saturday. A virtual repeat of the 1974 final where Wade had chances galore vs. Evert in the final. Virginia led 4-1 (had two points for 5-1, double faulting on one) and 5-2 with a double break before losing four games in a row, including her service at 5-2 and 5-4 (double faulting on set point). The first set lasted 55 mins, the second just 20. Evert broke to lead 4-1, Wade broke back to 3-4 but lost her service for a second time, which led to her demise. In the SF, Wade had one of her best serving days vs. Navratilova, losing just six points through her first eight service games, including four in a row held at love. Virginia broke once to lead 3-2 in the first set, and in the first and seventh games of the second, losing hers once at 5-2. Guerrant should have beaten Wade in the QF, having break points to lead 3-1, 4-2 and led 40-0 on her own serve at 3-all in the third before fading. Nagelsen, making her way back after back surgery in 1975 upset No. 7 Chmyreva and Bueno, who was playing on grass for the first time since 1970 and led 3-1 final set vs. Betsy. For the first time this event was televised (SF & F). 13,434 total attendance.