



The Royal Tennis Club of Stockholm, October 29 to November 6, 2022

## Portugal and Romania, for the first time

Even though Kungens Kanna has been played since 1901 and Drottningens Pris since 1950, we had never seen Portuguese and a Romanian players lifting the trophies.

In the girls' final, Anna Pushkareva met her doubles partner Giulia Safina Popa from Romania. It was a somewhat routine match where Popa repeated the tactics from earlier matches this week, tearing apart the opponents' game with strong fighting spirit. 6–2, 2–6, 6–2 and the first Romanian Drottningens Pris (The Queens Prize) winner was secured.

In the boys' final, many wondered if crowd favourite Moise Kouame of France would become the first-ever qualifier to win a super-category event. However, the Portuguese Salvador Monteiro did not give Kouame the same space he had in previous matches, and it didn't look easy. 6-2 to the Portuguese in the first set, but then the Frenchman came back and was up in the second. Down 3–0, however, the Portuguese player produced his best tennis, not least phenomenal backhands time after time; he turned this set around into a 6–4 win.

In the victory interview after the final, Salvador Monteiro stated that this was a fantastic tournamnet. When asked what the best part of the event was, the answer was; Play Station in the players' lounge and the Centre Court in the Royal Tennis Hall.

The prize-giver was Caroline Chakraborty from the tournament Presenting Partner Elite Hotels of Sweden. Caroline presented the Bicky Chakraborty Memorial Prize to the finalists and the King and Queen's Honorary Prize to the winners. Bicky Chakraborty, who founded Elite Hotels, together with KLTK and the Swedish Tennis Association, has help built the Kungens Kanna & Drottningens Pris into one of the two leading junior events within the framework of the Tennis Europe Junior Tour. Bicky Chakraborty, who has been an annual prize-giver at the tournament since 2012, passed away in August 2022.

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