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## Semi-finals day at the Foro Italico Who will take the throne of Lebron and Galan?

Without the kings of the 2022 edition, the **BNL Italy Major Premier Padel** is without trophy holders. Today, the semi-finals will be played at the Foro Italico, with the other two finalists from a year ago both on the court, but in different matches. The second match of the afternoon session starting at 4 p.m. will see **Arturo Coello** and **Agustin Tapia** (4) take the court against **Franco Stupaczuk** and **Martin Di Nenno** (2). Different paths for the two pairs: **Coello/Tapia** reach the semifinals without having lost a set, while **Stupa/Di Nenno** have been the highlanders of this tournament, closing their three matches in the third, and always coming back from a set down.

The second match of the evening session starting at 7pm will feature last year's other losing finalist, **Paquito Navarro**, who was paired with **Di Nenno** in 2022 and was defeated out to Lebron and Galan. No rematch, as **Navarro** and **Fede Chingotto (3)** will face **Mike Yanguas** and **Fernando Belasteguin (6)** who were able to give up only four games to the world number ones.

In the women's semifinals schedule, however, there are the top four pairs on the draw. At 4 p.m., the sixth day of competition at the Foro Italico opens with the Sanchez Alayeto twins facing Gemma Triay and Maria Ortega (a match already played last week in Valencia); the first of the two evening matches will face Ari Sanchez and Paula Josemaria – forced yesterday into the third set by Virseda/Jensen - and Brea/Gonzalez, who have yet to lose a set since the start of the tournament.

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