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BNL Italy Major Premier Padel, day 2: feat of Bautista and Guerrero. All the big in action on Wednesday

On the day 2 of the **BNL Italy Major Premier Padel**, the feat came late in the evening. **Jairo Bautista**, number 40 in the FIP ranking, and **Francisco Guerrero**, number 51, defeated **Coki Nieto** and **Jon Sanz**, the number 9 seed and coming from the title in **Bordeaux**. The other top seeds in the men's draw won their opening match: **Lucas Bergamini/Victor Ruiz** (10), **Lucho Capra/Alex Chozas** (12), **Javi Rico/Juanlu Esbri** (16), **Javi Ruiz/Pablo Cardona** (15), on a Tuesday that also saw the debut of the first round matches in the women's draw.

MEN Coki Nieto and **Jon Sanz**, number 9 in the seeding, paid for the big night of **Jairo Bautista** and **Francisco Guerrero**, victorious 7-6 6-7 7-5 at the end of a match that lasted three hours and eight minutes. In the day's other matches, **Lucas Bergamini** and **Victor Ruiz**, seeded number 10, gave up just three games (6-2 6-1) to Spaniards **Jose Roman Martinez Sanchis** and **Pablo Castillo Valverde**, who had come from the qualifiers, while **Javi Rico** and **Juanlu Esbri** (16) defeated Argentinian pair **Juan Cruz Belluati** and **Miguel Lamperti** in two sets: 6-4 7-5 the score in one hour and 35'. Two other Argentinian players, **Lucho Capra** and **Alex Chozas** (12), needed three sets to defeat **Aris Patiniotis** and **Facundo Dominguez**: 6-1 3-6 6-4 the final score in one hour and 54 minutes. Straight set win for **Javi Ruiz** and **Pablo Cardona**, who had the better 6-4 6-3 against 'Pincho' **Fernandez** and **José Jimenez** in one hour and 15 minutes. Tomorrow the top eight seeded pairs, who had benefited from a bye in the first round, will enter the stage. **Juan Lebron** and **Paquito Navarro** (4) will take on Italian-Argentine **Denis Perino** and Spaniard **Pablo Garcia Rodrigo** on the Centre Court in their second match, while **Arturo Coello** and **Agustin Tapia**, number 1 seeded pair in the men's draw, will close the schedule on the **Pietrangeli 1** against Spanish qualifiers **Adrian Marques** and **Mario Huete**. **Federico Chingotto** and **Ale Galan** (2) – on the same court – will be involved in the third match, scheduled at 5 p.m.

WOMEN Italy's **Giorgia Marchetti**, paired with France's **Lea Godallier**, defeated **Alicia Blanco Rojo** and Italy's **Lorena Vano** in three sets – 5-7 6-3 6-1 – in 2 hours and 28'. In the next round tomorrow, **Marchetti** and **Godallier** will take on **Carolina Orsi** and **Carolina Navarro** (seeded number 14) in the first match on the Centre court at 9 a.m.. **Orsi** and **Marchetti**, one year ago, won the gold medal as a pair in the women's competition at the **European Games** in Krakow. Tomorrow all the top seeded pairs will be on the court. **Ari Sanchez** and **Paula Josemaria** (1) will be on court at 6 p.m. for the third match on the Centre Court, while **Gemma Triay** and **Claudia Fernandez** (2) will face qualifiers **Marta Arellano** and

Carla Castillo in the second match on Pietrangeli 1. **Virginia Riera** and **Sofia Araujo**, seeded number 6, will face Italy's **Chiara Pappacena** and Spain's **Xenia Clascà**, who beat **Raquel Piltcher** (Brazil) and **Carmen Castillon** (Spain) 6-2, 7-6 today.

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