

## **Blake, Krickstein and Arias Played to the Crowd at St. Andrews Country Club Tennis Exhibition**

(February 24, 2016) Boca Raton, FL – [James Blake](#), [Aaron Krickstein](#) and [Jimmy Arias](#) played to the crowds of members and guests on [St. Andrews Country Club's](#) center court during a complimentary tennis exhibition. Arias, renowned Tennis Channel commentator entertained the crowd with his humorous, light hearted banter while also playing a doubles exhibition in the second half of the event. St. Andrews members then supported Krickstein as team USA competed against Europe in the ATP Champions Tour later that week on Friday, February 12 as part of the ATP Champions Tour.

The crowd of 300 watched the complimentary tennis exhibition at St. Andrews' center court where Krickstein was defeated by Blake 8 games to 7 in an 8 game singles pro-set match. Following the singles, Krickstein teamed up with Arias to defeat Blake and Simon Evelyn 8 games to 4. Evelyn has been a Tennis Professional at St. Andrews Country Club for the past 15 years and frequently makes appearances during the annual St. Andrews Professional Tennis Exhibition.

Blake, formally world #4, had a 14 year ATP career, during that time he won 10 singles titles and 7 doubles titles. His career high singles ranking was #4 in the world and in 2005, some of his career highlights included reaching the Final, in the 2006 Tennis Masters Cup, Semifinals of the Beijing Olympics, Quarterfinals of the Australian Open and the US Open.

Ed Rice, President, Board of Governors, St. Andrews Country Club said, "Aaron and his team do a fantastic job putting together memorable tennis exhibitions for our members. It is a once in a lifetime opportunity to be able to watch these former top world ranked tennis professionals from the best seats, which happen to be right in your own backyard."

Just days after the exclusive tennis exhibition, St. Andrews Country Club members filled the stands at the [Delray Beach Stadium and Tennis Center](#) on February 12 to watch an [ATP Champions Tour](#) match between Krickstein, and former World #6 from South Africa, [Wayne Ferreira](#) which resulted in 6-2, 7-5 Ferreira win. Unfortunately for Krickstein, he injured his leg in the match and had to withdraw from his two weekend matches. Aaron has played in five ATP Champions Tour events in Delray Beach.

Krickstein, formerly ranked as high as #6 in the world in 1990, is a nine-time ATP tour titlist and also still holds the records as the youngest player to win an ATP Tour event at age 16, and the youngest to reach the world's top ten at age 17. During his career he had victories over Sampras, Agassi, Becker, Edberg, McEnroe, Stich, Ivanisevic, Chang and Lendl, among many others. When not competing, Krickstein is the Director of Tennis at St. Andrews Country Club and after 15 years still enjoys the opportunity to help kids and adults improve their tennis games.

"I want to thank James, Jimmy and Simon for a great day of tennis at St. Andrews," said Krickstein. "I also want to thank the St. Andrews members who attended the tennis exhibition and the ATP Champions event over the past weekend. The commitment to building an active tennis program at St. Andrews is evident from the growing participation and support each year, win or lose."

"We enjoy putting together an exciting and memorable event for our members and their guests each year", said Craig Martin, C.O.O. and General Manager of St. Andrews Country Club, Aaron and the team strive and succeed to impress and entertain the crowd with this wonderful, complementary event by always going that extra mile and bringing in the most talented and renowned tennis players. It is truly an experience and one only offered to our membership at St. Andrews Club."

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St. Andrews Country Club of Boca Raton, resident-only Platinum Club of America and [Distinguished Emerald Club of the World](#) ranked in the [Top Ten of America's Healthiest Club's](#) is internationally recognized for magnificent estate residences and recently completed \$17.5 million in renovations. The Club features superior amenities, two 18-hole championship golf courses, including an [Arnold Palmer Signature Design®](#). The club offers a comprehensive Golf Performance Center with indoor hitting bay, private practice area, [V1 Digital Coaching System](#) and [FlightScope Launch Monitor®](#) technologies, and a [Callaway Golf®](#) branded club fitting area. The Club features a full service spa and fitness center and a 125,000 square foot completely remodeled Clubhouse with four unique restaurants. A brand new Recreation & Aquatic Center features three pools, poolside dining, Splash Club and state-of-the-art playground equipment and air-conditioned game room. St. Andrews has played host to numerous PGA golf exhibitions led by touring pros such as [Phil Mickelson](#), [Arnold Palmer](#), [John Daly](#) and [Rocco Mediate](#), and is the home course to LPGA Touring Professional and resident [Morgan Pressel](#). Please visit [www.standrewscc.com](http://www.standrewscc.com) or follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), [YouTube](#), [Pinterest](#) and [Instagram](#).

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