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BILLIE JEAN KING CUP BY GAINBRIDGE FAN-SELECTED ALL-STAR TEAM PRESENTED BY MASTERCARD REVEALED FOLLOWING RECORD-BREAKING 2026 SEASON

Karolina Muchova, Barbora Strycova and Other Season Standout Performers Recognised in 2026 All-Star Team presented by Mastercard Through Fan Voting

LONDON (29 October 2026) – Karolina Muchova, Linda Noskova and Iga Swiatek are amongst the players selected for the 2026 Billie Jean King Cup All-Star Team presented by Mastercard. In a first for the All-Star team, fans determined the selections, replacing the expert panel used for the inaugural edition last year, which included Billie Jean King. Fans cast their votes through the World Cup of Tennis app between 14 and 23 October.

Celebrating standout performers from across the entire competition, the All-Star Team recognises players and captains who made their mark at every level of the 2026 season, from the Regional Group Stage to this year's Billie Jean King Cup Finals in Shenzhen.

2026 Billie Jean King Cup All-Star Team presented by Mastercard

- **Finals:** Karolina Muchova (CZE)
- **Qualifiers:** Linda Noskova (CZE)
- **Play-offs:** Iga Swiatek (POL)
- **Regionals:** Janice Tjen (INA) and Anna Bondar (HUN)
- **Captain:** Barbora Strycova (CZE)

The fan-selected team reflects performances that defined every stage of the 2026 season. In the Finals, Muchova remained unbeaten without dropping a set, delivering the opening singles victories in the Semi-finals and Final that put Czechia on course for the trophy. As captain, Strycova guided Czechia to a 12th world title, becoming only the fourth woman to win the competition as both a player and a captain, following in the footsteps of Billie Jean King, Chris Evert, and Margaret Court.

Across the competition, the chosen players delivered pivotal victories and memorable moments that captured fans' attention worldwide. Swiatek dominated for Team Poland, winning both singles matches while conceding only three games across the entire Play-offs campaign. In the Regionals, Tjen established herself as Indonesia's anchor, winning crucial singles matches against New Zealand, India and South Korea, and teaming up with Aldila Sutjiadi to secure promotion without dropping a set in the

doubles. Elsewhere, Bondar fronted Hungary's successful Europe/Africa Group I campaign to send the team back into the Play-offs.

"Opening the All-Star Team voting to fans for the first time felt like a fitting way to celebrate the global groundswell we saw the tournament create once again around women's tennis. From the Regional Groups to the Finals, these players and captains produced some of the competition's most memorable performances to date, and it's fantastic to see fans recognise their impact across every stage of the journey. This team represents the very best of what the Billie Jean King Cup is all about: pride, resilience and representing your nation," **said Kris Dent, COO, Billie Jean King Cup Limited.**

"At Mastercard, we're passionate about bringing fans closer to the sports and athletes they love. Giving fans a direct voice in selecting the 2026 All-Star Team created a new way to engage with the Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge by celebrating the players who delivered outstanding performances throughout the season. It's a powerful reminder of the role fans play in shaping and celebrating sport's biggest moments," **said Pernilla Winberg-Babtist, EVP, Global Sponsorships, Mastercard.**

A 2026 Junior All-Star Team will also be announced following the Billie Jean King Cup Junior Finals in Cairo, Egypt, from 2-8 November. The Junior team will be selected by an expert panel comprised of Billie Jean King, Ilana Kloss, Dave Haggerty, Matt Byford, Andrew Lilien and Reem Abulleil.

While the All-Star Team celebrates the standout performers of 2026, attention is already turning to the start of the next Billie Jean King Cup season. Team nominations for the 2026 Play-offs were announced on 21 October, ahead of seven ties taking place around the world from 20-22 November. With promotion to the 2027 Billie Jean King Cup campaign at stake, the Play-offs mark the first key milestone on the road to next year's Finals.

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About the Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge™
The Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge is the women's World Cup of Tennis. Previously known as the Fed Cup, it is the largest annual international team competition in women's sport, with a record 148 nations entered in 2026. Global partners of the event include Gainbridge®, Deloitte, e.l.f. Beauty, Microsoft, Mastercard and 1xBet.

About Billie Jean King Cup Limited
Billie Jean King Cup Limited is a partnership between the International Tennis Federation and TWG

Global created to deliver transformative investment and innovation to the Billie Jean King Cup, the women's World Cup of Tennis. Bringing together expertise and experience from the tennis, business, and entertainment industries, our core mission is to grow and leverage the world's most popular annual team competition for women as a platform for positive change.

About World Tennis

For more than a century, World Tennis (formerly the ITF) has worked to grow the game worldwide and ensure its long-term future as a truly global sport. In partnership with its 214 member nations, the organisation lays the foundations for tennis to flourish by expanding participation, strengthening pathways and creating opportunities for players of all ages and abilities - supporting both the development of the sport and the communities it serves.

As the global authority and guardian of tennis and its integrity worldwide, World Tennis also defines and upholds the sport's rules, professional and technical standards, ensuring tennis remains fair, safe, relevant and exciting for future generations.

At the heart of the global tennis system is a connected, competitive and developmental player pathway. For young professional talent, alongside the Wheelchair and Beach Tennis circuits, the World Tennis Tour – with 1,850 men's and women's tournaments annually - is the primary pathway through which the world's best young players progress, providing an essential route from junior tennis to the global stage, no matter which country they are from.

Through the World Tennis Tour players earn ranking points, build competitive experience and advance into the ATP and WTA Tours and Grand Slam events. The same pathway also provides the route for national selection into World Tennis' elite international team competitions, including the Davis Cup, Billie Jean King Cup, Wheelchair and Beach World Cups, and qualification routes to the Olympic and Paralympic Games.