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Favorites open with victories in Cayman Islands

GRAND CAYMAN, Cayman Islands, April 25, 2014 -Two-time defending champions, Roberto Rodriguez and Erik Haddock won both their Pool C matches on the opening day of the Men's NORCECA Beach Volleyball Circuit 2014 opener.

Rodriguez and Haddock first served off their bid for a hat-trick of by beating Arubans, Eargenel De Cuba and Alexander Mitchell 21-17, 21-15 and followed it up with a 21-11, 21-9 demolition of Cayman Islands-A duo, Olney Thompson and Phillippe Deslandes.

Canada-B team of Andrew Hinchey and Ryan Vanderbug also won their two matches over Joseph and Deonath 21-15, 21-7; and Thompson and Deslandes 21-15, 21-14.



However, at the top of the Pool C table was De Cuba and Mitchell after they won their other two matches played, 21-13, 21-15 over Thompson/Deslandes, and 21-11, 21-8 against Joseph/Deonath. In Pool A, USA-B's Todd Rogers combined with Theo Brunner for a 3-0 mark and certain of a quarterfinal spot with one round-robin match left to play.

Rogers and Brunner began by outclassing Duncan Hamann/Ethan Manderson (Cayman Islands-C) 21-10, 21-14 before powering past Cameron Wheelan/Michael Plantinga (Canada-A) 21-14, 22-20 and St Lucians, Julian Bisette/Joseph Clercent 21-9, 21-11 in the final match of the day and will meet Guatemala's Erick Garrido and Andy Blanco on Saturday.

USA-A duo, Will Montgomery and Stafford Slick were the fourth and final team to end the first day with a 100 per cent winning record.

Montgomery and Slick scolded Costa Ricans, Julio Alvarez/Rooper Espinoza 21-15, 21-14 and then returned to beat Cayman Islands-B pairing, Shervin Rankin/Richard Campbell 21-13, 21-10.

In the women's field, North American rivals, USA-A and Canada-A looked set for a showdown for the gold medals after winning head-to-head battles with their second ranked teams.



First USA-A duo, Christal Engle and Heather Hughes overcame a first-set deficit to beat USA-B, Tealle Hunkus/Kimberly McGiven 19-21, 21-16, 15-11 to set up a main draw quarterfinal against Trinidad and Tobago's Ayana Dyette and Nancy Joseph who ousted Hondurans Gina Flores/Martha Euceda 21-10, 21-8 in their first round match.

At the other half of the main draw Melissa Humana of Canada-A combined with Taylor Pidchke for a 22-20, 21-12 victory over Canada-B's Claudia Seguin/Brandie Wilkerson for a meeting with El Salvador's Diana Romero/Marcela Avalos who dumped Cayman Islands-A, Cristin Alexander/Jessica Wolfenden 21-13, 21-19.

Prior to their meeting, Canada-B swept past 16-year-old Cayman Islands debutants, Chante Smith/Ileann Powery, 21-13, 21-11 in round-of-32 qualifier.

In the other main draw first round matches, Lina Bernier and Valeria Cajigas of Puerto Rico overwhelmed St Lucians, Dania Hamilton/Jamilla Lansiquot 21-10, 21-18 and will now face Costa Ricans, Karen Cope/Natalia Alfaro, 21-8, 21-11 winners over Brenda Allen/Shanicia Dyer (St Kitts/Nevis) in the main draw quarterfinals.

Stephanie Burnside and Gloria Santoyo of Mexico-A defeated countrywomen Vanessa Virgen and Paulette Cruz (Mexico-B) 21-18, 21-16 while Elia Machado/Jackeline Toruno stopped Nadia Galan/Anna Ramirez (Guatemala), 21-16, 21-18.

Day One Men Results:

Pool A: CAN-A d LCA 21-12, 18-21, 15-9; GUA d CAY-C 21-13, 21-8; LCA d GUA 21-17, 21-12; USA-B d CAY-C 21-10, 21-14; USA-B d CAN-A 21-14, 22-20; USA-B d LCA 21-9, 21-11. Pool B: CAY-B d SKN 19-21, 21-16, 15-9; USA-A d CRC 21-15, 21-14; ESA d SKN 21-18, 20-22, 15-8; USA-A d CAY-B 21-13, 21-10; CRC d ESA 22-20, 21-17. Pool C: PUR d ARU 21-17, 21-15; CAN-B d TTO 21-15, 21-7; ARU d CAY-A 21-13, 21-15; ARU d TTO 21-11, 21-8; PUR d CAY-A 21-11, 21-9; CAN-B d CAY-A 21-15, 21-14.

Day One Women Results:

Main Draw: CAN-B d CAY-B 21-13, 21-11; CRC d SKN 21-8, 21-11; MEX-A d MEX-B 21-18, 21-16; TTO d HON 21-10, 21-8; PUR d LCA 21-11, 21-8; USA-A d USA-B 19-21, 21-16, 15-11; NIC d GUA 21-16, 21-18; CAN-A d CAN-B 22-20, 21-12; ESA d CAY-A 21-13, 21-19; Losers Draw: CAN-B d CAY-B 21-7, 21-17; USA-B d LCA 21-11, 21-14; MEX-B d SKN 21-17, 21-3; CAY-A d GUA 21-17, 21-16; CAN-B d HON 21-7, 21-8.

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