

## Porto Open 2011

### Portuguese International Championships

#### HOPE OF JOINING THE BOARD FOR 25 PORTUGUESE

Of the 33 Portuguese tennis players fighting in Porto Open's qualification phase, 25 of them keep giving us hope to integrate the score able tournament's main board in on the ATP ranking. Taking into account the desires of the draws, which paired up two dozens of national players, it is certain that Portugal will have at least 10 representatives in the qualifying round.

Many were the ones absent from the initial round, amongst them were six seeded players: the Dutch Wesley, Koolhof (830.<sup>o</sup> ATP), the Russian, Ashot Khacharyan (1001.<sup>o</sup>), the Portuguese, Falcão (1517.<sup>o</sup>), José Ricardo Nunes (1725.<sup>o</sup>) and Vasco Pascoal (1725.<sup>o</sup>) and the Spanish, Carlos Rosique Alvarez (1725.<sup>o</sup>).

Regarding the ones that took part in the action, a highlight is given to the players that seized victory playing at home: João Fazendeiro, Bruno Pedrosa, Henrique Pereira, André Gaspar Murta, João Carvalho, Fernando Sousa, João Barra, Henrique Sousa e Gonçalo Loureiro.

Tomorrow, the 16 encounters of the second round will be divided between four courts of the Clube de Ténis do Porto. The first encounters are scheduled to start at 10 o'clock.

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