

# Austin competing in European events

For the second consecutive year, Brooke Austin has been selected by the USTA to participate in two prestigious junior tennis tournaments in Europe. Along with nine other talented 14-and-under girls, boys and wheelchair junior players from the US, Austin will compete in Teen Tennis in England and Les Petits As in France. The events will be held from Jan. 17-Feb. 1. Brooke joins Gabrielle Andrews of Pomona, CA; Alexandria Stiteler of Bradenton, FL; and Taylor Townsend of Stockbridge, GA, as part of the girls' team. USTA National Coaches Kathy Rinaldi, Kent Kinnear and Dan James will be accompanying the players on the trip, with Rinaldi and Kinnear coaching the girls and boys, respectively, and James coaching the wheelchair players. A number of current and former tennis stars competed in one or both of the events when they were juniors, including Kim Clijsters, Lindsay Davenport, Elena Dementieva, Justine Henin, Martina Hingis, Michael Chang, Juan Martin del Potro, Roger Federer, Novak Djokovic and Rafael Nadal. (1-17-10)