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SATURDAY PREVIEW – ANDERSON-TOMIC SQUARE OFF WITH TITLE ON THE LINE

- The championship of the Apia International Sydney is an all-unseeded battle between **Kevin Anderson** of South Africa and Aussie No. 2 **Bernard Tomic**, who is appearing in his first ATP World Tour final. Anderson is the first South African to reach the singles final in tournament history while Tomic is the first Aussie in the Sydney final since Chris Guccione in 2008 (l. to Tursunov).

- This is the second ATP World Tour meeting between the two. Tomic won in three sets in the first round of the Shanghai Rolex Masters on Oct. 10, 2011. In that match, there was only one break of serve as Anderson fired 25 aces and saved 11 of 12 break points in the loss.

- **Anderson**, who is making his main draw debut here this week, saved two match points (on aces) in his semi-final victory over last year's finalist Julien Benneteau. The 26-year-old Anderson is appearing in his fourth ATP World Tour final (2-1) and his last title came in Delray Beach, Fla. last March, defeating current Aussie No. 1 Marinko Matosevic.

- **Tomic** is trying to become the ninth different Aussie to win the Sydney title in the Open Era. The last Aussie champion was Lleyton Hewitt in 2005 (d. Minar). Hewitt, at 18, was the youngest Aussie winner in 2000. The 20-year-old Tomic came in ranked No. 64 this week and he is expected to return to the Top 50 in the Emirates ATP Rankings on Monday (around No. 49) and around No. 43 if he wins the title. The last first-time winner in Sydney was South Korean Hyung-Taik Lee in 2003 (d. Ferrero). Last season there was one first-time winner on the ATP World Tour, Martin Klizan of Slovakia. He won the title in St. Petersburg. Players trying to win their first title were 1-15 in finals.

WHAT'S AT STAKE –
Winner: $78,800 and 250 Emirates ATP Ranking points
Runner-up: $41,540 and 150 Emirates ATP Ranking points

FINALS HISTORY –
Anderson: Appearing in his 4th career ATP World Tour final……He is 2-1 lifetime in finals (1-0 in 2012)
Tomic: Appearing in his 1st career ATP World Tour final

UNSEEDED WINNERS – This will be the first unseeded winner on the ATP World Tour this season. Last year there were four unseeded winners in 66 tournaments:
-**Jarkko Nieminen (Q), Sydney**
-Jurgen Melzer, Memphis
-Tommy Haas (WC), Halle
-Thomaz Bellucci, Gstaad

YOUNGEST IN TOP 100 – For the second week in a row one of the youngest players in the Top 100 Emirates ATP Rankings is in an ATP World Tour final. Last week Grigor Dimitrov was runner-up in Brisbane (l. to Murray). Here is a look at the Top 5 youngest players in the Top 100:

Rank	Age
No. 64 Bernard Tomic (AUS)	**20 years, 2 months**
No. 68 Ryan Harrison (USA)	20 years, 8 months
No. 41 Grigor Dimitrov (BUL)	21 years, 7 months
No. 78 Andrey Kuznetsov (RUS)	21 years, 10 months
No. 15 Milos Raonic (CAN)	22 years, 16 days

SATURDAY CHAMPIONSHIP FedEx ATP Head 2 Head –

Ken Rosewall Arena

Kevin Anderson (RSA) vs Bernard Tomic (AUS) — Tomic Leads 1-0

11 ATP World Tour Masters 1000 Shanghai	Hard	R64	Bernard Tomic	7-6(5) 6-7(4) 6-3
Other meeting:				
10 Nottingham CH (Great Britain)	Grass	R32	Kevin Anderson	7-6(8) 6-1

A glance at the serving statistics of their previous ATP World Tour meeting in Shanghai on Oct.10, 2011

	Anderson	**Tomic**
Aces	25	7
1st Serve percentage	62%	67%
1st Serve points won	81%	77%
2nd Serve points won	40%	69%
Break Points Saved	11 of 12	2 of 2

Anderson FastFacts:
2012 Highlights:
W: Delray Beach (d Matosevic); **QF(5)**: San Jose (l Raonic); Houston (l Monaco); London / Queen's Club (l Dimitrov); Washington (l Querrey); Basel (l Del Potro)
YTD W-L: 30-26 (4-0 this year)
YTD Titles: 1/Career Titles: 2
Date of Birth: May 18, 1986
Emirates ATP Ranking: 37 (year-end), 36 (this week)

- **Anderson**, 26, is the first South African to reach the final in tournament history. He saved two match points (with aces) in his SF win on Friday against Julien Benneteau. He began the week with wins over Aljaz Bedene 63 36 63, Feliciano Lopez 63 64 and Denis Istomin 64 63. In his previous appearance here, lost in the 2R of qualifying in 2009
- Leads the tournament in aces (41) and No. 2 in service games won (44 of 49, 90%), saving 14 of 19 break pts. (74%). Has won 78% of first serve pts. and 57% of second serve pts.
- Came in ranked No. 36 and will move to around No. 31 and to around No. 27 if he wins the title
- Finished in Top 40 for second straight year, highlighted by second career ATP World Tour title in Delray Beach in March (d. Roddick in QF, Isner in SF, Matosevic in F). Has a 2-1 career record in finals
- Also reached QF in San Jose, Houston, London/Queen's Club, Washington and Basel
- Best Grand Slam result was 3R at Australian Open and Roland Garros (l. to Berdych in both)
- Compiled records of 20-18 on hard, 7-6 on clay and 3-2 on grass. Went 0-8 vs. Top 10 opponents and highest ranked win came over No. 11 Isner in Delray Beach

2012 Match Point(s) Saved Winners – Last season Anderson was one of five players to win an ATP World Tour title after saving match point (he was only player outside Top 20):

Player	**Tournament/Opponent**	**Round**	**M.P. Saved**
Kevin Anderson	**Delray Beach – d. Andy Roddick 26 76(9) 64**	**QF**	**Saved 3 M.P.**
Janko Tipsarevic	Stuttgart – d. Bjorn Phau 67(6) 76(2) 64	QF	Saved 4 M.P.
John Isner	Winston-Salem d. Tomas Berdych 36 64 76(9)	Final	Saved 3 M.P.
Juan Monaco	Kuala Lumpur – d. Kei Nishikori 62 26 76(4)	SF	Saved 1 M.P.
Novak Djokovic	Shanghai – d. Andy Murray 57 76(11) 63	Final	Saved 5 M.P.

Tomic FastFacts:
2012 Highlights:
SF: Brisbane (l Murray); **QF(3)**: Delray Beach (l Isner); Munich (l Lopez); Bangkok (l Gasquet)
YTD W-L: 26-27 (4-0 this year)
YTD Titles: 0/Career Titles: 0
Date of Birth: October 21, 1992
Emirates ATP Ranking: 52 (year-end), 64 (this week)

- **Tomic**, 20, is the first Aussie to reach the final in Sydney since (WC) Chris Guccione was runner-up in 2008 (l. to Tursunov). The last Aussie winner was Lleyton Hewitt in 2005 (d. Minar). Roger Federer was the last 20-year-old winner here in 2002 (d. Chela)
- He is playing in the main draw for the second time. On Friday, defeated top Italian Andreas Seppi 76(10) 64, saving all six break points.On Tuesday, defeated top countryman Marinko Matosevic 63 64, converting four of six break pts. and followed with a 76(4) 62 win over No. 5 seed Florian Mayer (hitting 14 aces). On Thursday, rallied to beat defending champion Jarkko Nieminen 67 64 62. Two years ago in his debut, qualified (ranked No. 209) and lost to Alexandr Dolgopolov in three sets in 1R
- This week No. 2 in aces (35) and service games won (44 of 49, 90%), saving 10 of 12 break pts. (83%) Has won 10 of 45 return games (22%)
- Came in ranked No. 64 and will move to around No. 49 (and around No. 43 if he wins the title)
- Looking to join Milos Raonic as only players born in the 1990s to win an ATP World Tour title. Raonic, who is a three-time winner, earned his first title at age 20 in San Jose in February 2011

- In 2012, the No.2 Australian (behind No.49 Matosevic) was youngest player in Top 100 for second year in a row, highlighted by SF in opening week of season in Brisbane (l. to Murray) and three QF results
- In Grand Slam play, advanced to 4R on home soil at Australian Open (d. Verdasco, Querrey, Dolgopolov, l. to Federer). Lost in 2R at Roland Garros (d. Haider-Maurer, l. to Giraldo) and US Open (d. Berlocq, l. to Roddick)
- Played in two Davis Cup ties and went 3-1 in singles (1-1 vs Germany in World Group play-off tie in Hamburg, d. Stebe, l. to F. Mayer)

SERVING IMPROVEMENT – Here is a look at Tomic's service game this week compared to 2012:

	Aces	1st Serve Pts. Won	2nd Serve Pts. Won	Service Games	Brk. Pts. Saved
This week	8.9 avg	79%	61%	96% (44 of 46)	83% (10 of 12)
2012	5.0 avg	67%	50%	77%	61%

AUSSIE TITLE WINNERS – Tomic is trying to become the ninth different Aussie to win the Sydney title in the Open Era (last winner was Lleyton Hewitt in 2005. Hewitt, at 18, was the youngest Aussie winner in 2000):

Year	Winner	Runner-up	Result
2005	Lleyton Hewitt (AUS)	Ivo Minář (CZE)	7-5 6-0
2004	Lleyton Hewitt (AUS)	Carlos Moyá (ESP)	4-3 retired
2001	Lleyton Hewitt (AUS)	Magnus Norman (SWE)	6-4 6-1
2000	Lleyton Hewitt (AUS)	Jason Stoltenberg (AUS)	6-4 6-0
1988	John Fitzgerald (AUS)	Andrei Chesnokov (USSR)	6-3 6-4
1984	John Fitzgerald (AUS)	Sammy Giammalva Jr. (USA)	6-3 6-3
1982	John Alexander (AUS)	John Fitzgerald (AUS)	4-6 7-6 6-4
1979	Phil Dent (AUS)	Hank Pfister (USA)	6-4 6-4 7-5
1976	Tony Roche (AUS)	Dick Stockton (USA)	6-3 3-6 6-3 6-4
1975	Ross Case (AUS)	John Marks (AUS)	6-2, 6-1
1974 Dec.	Tony Roche (AUS)	Phil Dent (AUS)	7-6 4-6 3-6 6-2 8-6
1974 Jan.	Geoff Masters (AUS)	Colin Dibley (AUS)	6-1 6-4 6-2
1973	Malcolm Anderson (AUS)	Ken Rosewall (AUS)	6-3 6-4 6-4
1971	Phil Dent (AUS)	John Alexander (AUS)	6-3 6-4 6-4
1969	Tony Roche (AUS)	Rod Laver (AUS)	6-4 4-6 9-7 12-10

TOMIC AT HOME – Tomic has a 19-10 career record in ATP World Tour level events in Australia, including 8-2 last season (only losses to Murray and Federer):

Tournament	Career Record	Best Result
Brisbane	3-4	SF - 2012 (l. to Murray)
Sydney	4-1	**Final** - 2013 (vs. Anderson)
Australian Open	7-4	4th Rd. - 2012 (l. to Federer)
Davis Cup	5-1	-----

DOUBLES FINAL – WORLD NO. 1 BRYANS TAKE ON NO. 4 SEEDS MIRNYI-TECAU

- Top seeds and World No. 1 **Bob** and **Mike Bryan** are back in the Apia International Sydney doubles final for the fifth time in six years (did not play in 2010) and sixth time overall as they take on No. 4 seeds and the first-time duo of **Max Mirnyi** of Belarus and **Horia Tecau** of Romania.
- The Bryans saved two match points in their first round win over Cabal and Matkowski and have not dropped a set in their next two matches. Mirnyi and Tecau have not dropped a set en route to their first final in Sydney.
- The Bryans, coming off their record eighth year-end No. 1 ranking in 10 years, are 2-3 in Sydney finals. They won titles in 2009 and last year and were were finalists in 2004, '08 and '11. They have won the most titles together in the Open Era and come in with a career mark of 82-44. Last season they compiled a 7-3 record in finals. They are the only team to win over 750 matches (780-250) and at least five titles for 10 straight years.
- They won their 12th Grand Slam crown at the US Open (d. Paes-Stepanek), marking the eighth year in a row they have captured a Slam title. They are tied with Aussie greats Newcombe-Roche for the most Grand Slam doubles titles. They also captured the gold medal at the London Olympics and were finalists at the Australian Open and Roland Garros.
- The 35-year-old Mirnyi is 45-39 in doubles finals and prior to this week, he had a 3-7 career record in Sydney. Last year he won his sixth career Grand Slam crown at Roland Garros (w/Nestor). Tecau made his previous appearance in Sydney last year (lost in 1R). The 27-year-old Romanian is 13-11 in career finals. He was 4-3 last year in finals (w/Lindstedt). He was runner-up at Wimbledon for the third time.