

# Davis Cup Finals

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Team Germany

Captain Michael Kohlmann

Tim Puetz

Kevin Krawietz

Press Conference

GRANOLLERS-MARTINEZ/Krawietz-Puetz

6-2, 3-6, 6-3

Team Spain - 2

Team Germany - 1

THE MODERATOR: We'll start with questions for Team Germany, please.

**Q. Michael, I guess it goes without saying that there's great disappointment with the team at the moment. Can you run through today's matches and the end result.**

CAPTAIN MICHAEL KOHLMANN: Yeah, I mean, obviously we are very disappointed with the result, with the outcome of this tie.

I think first match started actually like first day. Jan-Lennard, he came out strong, was up a break. I thought the first break or rebreak he got was kind of unlucky. It was a let ball. One miss-hit on the return. He played one bad point to lose the first set. At least I saw it like this from the bench. On 4-All, 15-Love, a very long rally he lost there.

Second set he fought great. He kept himself with big serves in the match. Should have won the tiebreak. Got a little bit tight there I think in the end. Didn't get any first serves at 6-3. Yeah, was a tough loss, I guess.

Sascha I thought played a solid match. Jaume Munar had a great season. He's an unbelievable fighter. He was scrambling unbelievable, unreal sometimes at some stages. I guess in the end Sascha was the better player and deserved the win. We had the 1-All again.

Yeah, the doubles, I thought Spain came out firing. They



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were firing out of all cylinders. I think the first break we got of Love-40 getting back to deuce was like a little bit gave them more firepower and took us down a little bit after we lost that game.

After being down Love-4, I thought the energy level and also the game style, it changed a little bit. Didn't take our chances two times. Also break points in the first set, gave us a little bit confidence also for the start of the second set.

I thought second set we were much better. We were the better team. They had no chances on our serves.

Then in the third set, I mean, that's the doubles. That's how we won maybe against Argentina, that we were kind of lucky at some stages.

I thought Spain, they got the break ahead with great returning. Hit some really good shots. In the game right after, I think we had 15-30. We had couple chances to get back, straight back. I think that would have changed the momentum again.

After that when we didn't get the rebreak, it was, yeah, tough to get another chance. Actually in the last game there was one more break point, but Granollers hit a perfect serve there. Cannot do anything against it.

We are sitting here now going home with another semifinal. I think everybody was hoping for more this year. We are feeling really good I think. But in the end you see that this format with two singles and one doubles, it's so close, it brings the countries really close together. There's no room for error. There's no room for maybe not the highest quality at some stages. You have to take your chances in every match.

So we didn't take ours today, and that's why we have to go home and Spain is in the Finals.

**Q. Kevin and Tim, your captain analyzed the match. From your perspective, what made Marcel and Pedro today such tough opponents for you?**

KEVIN KRAWIETZ: Yeah, of course disappointing after



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the loss today. I mean, we have a good record, but I don't care about the record actually. That doesn't matter how we played before. It just matters how we play now and how we play in the future.

Captain says in the locker room, so we have a good team, we have chances every year. We just keep going. Of course, he said already in doubles it's like, I don't know, kind of 50/50. Today, yeah, was not on our side.

Of course, we can play better. They returned pretty good, as Michael said already. Yeah, now very disappointed.

**Q. Looking back at the year, home and away, the Davis Cup still continues to be a talking point about what it's going to look like long-term, the extra weekend of having home and away compared to the previous years under the new format?**

TIM PUETZ: You mean this year compared to the last year?

**Q. Yes.**

TIM PUETZ: Yeah, in a way it's a bit different. On the other hand, we're tennis professionals. We can't care about the weeks. In a way it's not too different either just because it's a week in our calendar, it's a week we're not home.

In the end whether we play three matches or one match, doesn't change much for us. It's a question of preference. Everybody has an opinion you prefer the home and away matches or you prefer the group stage, what we had before.

I think us as a German team, Sascha said it multiple times, I think that's kind of our opinion as well. We prefer the home and away matches because it's a bit more like the traditional Davis Cup.

Yeah, but then again it's a week in our calendar. We maybe have a preference to have the home and away format. Long-term how they do it, how they keep it, that's way above our pay grade. We'll go where they send us.

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