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TWO ADDITIONAL TOP 10 PLAYERS ENTER 2022 CREDIT ONE CHARLESTON OPEN PLAYER FIELD

Anett Kontaveit and Ons Jabeur join fellow top 10 players Garbiñe Muguruza and Paula Badosa in Charleston field

<u>Twitter:</u> The @CreditOneBank @CharlestonOpen announced @AnettKontaveit_ & @Ons_Jabeur will compete in #CHS in 2022. Tournament now features 4 top 10 players in the field. #CharlestonOpen will celebrate 50 years at the new @CreditOneStad, April 2-10.

CHARLESTON, S.C. – The <u>Credit One Charleston Open</u>, the largest women's-only tennis tournament in North America, has added top tennis players Anett Kontaveit and Ons Jabeur to an impressive tournament field, which now features four of the world's top 10 players. Both women had historic seasons in 2021 and ended the year ranked within the WTA's top 10. The Credit One Charleston Open will celebrate its 50th year in 2022, in the newly renovated <u>Credit One Stadium</u> on Daniel Island in Charleston, South Carolina, April 2 - 10.

The highly anticipated Credit One Charleston Open will welcome back fans this spring for the first time since 2019. The modernized Credit One Stadium will also be unveiled during the upcoming event, offering upgraded seating options and elevated hospitality experiences for patrons and players.

"These players had incredible 2021 seasons and burst into the Top 10 for the first time! This will be Anett's Charleston debut and we're excited for her to get acquainted with our fans," said Bob Moran, Tournament Director of the Credit One Charleston Open. "We loved having Ons join us for two weeks in 2021. By making the semifinals in week one and the finals in week two, it showed her game is well suited for our green clay. Her abilities on the court were fun to watch, but more importantly her personality off the court is what won everyone over. We're extremely happy to welcome Anett and Ons to our new facilities at the fully renovated Credit One Stadium."

World No. 7 Anett Kontaveit ended the 2021 season on a high note, winning 26 of 29 matches and capturing four WTA titles - Tennis in the Land, J&T Banka Ostrava Open, VTB Kremlin Cup and the Transylvania Open - in just 10 weeks. Her dominating season-end performance earned her a spot in the Akron WTA Finals Guadalajara, where she was runner-up in her very first appearance at the prestigious tournament.

Kontaveit's 2021 season also included reaching the finals in Melbourne and Eastbourne and the quarterfinals in Doha, Stuttgart and Indian Wells. This will be the Estonian's first appearance in the Charleston field.

World No. 10 Ons Jabeur achieved a new career milestone and made history in 2021. The Tunisia native became the first Arab tennis player - male or female - to break into the top 10 rankings and the first Arab

woman to win a WTA title when she captured her maiden title in Birmingham. She also led the tour's 2021 season with 48 singles wins.

Jabeur's season included reaching the finals at the Chicago Fall Tennis Classic and MUSC Health Women's Open in Charleston, semifinals at the BNP Paribas Open and Credit One Charleston Open and quarterfinals in Wimbledon and the National Bank Open. The 2022 Credit One Charleston Open will be her fourth time competing in the tournament.

The nine-day Credit One Charleston Open showcases a singles draw of 56 players, a qualifying draw of 32 players and a doubles draw of 16 players. The event traditionally hosts more than 90,000 attendees on Daniel Island. Additional players who have committed to competing at the tournament in 2022 will be announced in the coming weeks.

Charleston Tennis, LLC, which manages <u>Credit One Stadium</u> under a lease from the City of Charleston, is currently renovating and modernizing the 20-year-old facility. The city-owned venue is undergoing upgrades to enhance the stadium experience for patrons, performers, tennis players and event management, allowing the venue to attract world-class athletes and talent to Daniel Island.

The Credit One Charleston Open will celebrate its 50th year in 2022. The tournament has been a pioneer in women's professional sports since 1973, paving the path for female tennis players to receive equal recognition, respect and pay in the sport. Originally held on Hilton Head Island, the event moved to Charleston in 2001 and is played on Daniel Island at the LTP Daniel Island tennis center, home to the Credit One Stadium.

When purchasing <u>tickets</u> for the 2022 Credit One Charleston Open, patrons have the option to choose from <u>single session tickets</u> (\$25+) and a range of <u>upgraded ticket packages</u> and seat offerings, including the Intro Package (\$280), Finale Package (\$360), Champions Package (\$275) and Tournament Long Package (\$600+). Packages provide exclusive and premier views of the court from 100 and 200 level stadium seating, as well as the best value on tickets. In addition, select packages will also offer tennis patrons shaded seating, a new feature this year as part of the renovated stadium's stage house.

Tickets and packages can be purchased online at <u>creditonecharlestonopen.com</u> or by calling (843) 856-7900. For additional information, please email tickets@charlestontennisllc.com. For more information on the Credit One Charleston Open, visit <u>creditonecharlestonopen.com</u> or call 843-856-7900.

About the Credit One Charleston Open:

The Credit One Charleston Open is North America's largest women's-only tennis tournament. The event, formerly known as the Volvo Car Open, moved to Charleston, S.C., in 2001 from Hilton Head Island, S.C., and will celebrate its 50th year in 2022. The Credit One Charleston Open traditionally welcomes more than 90,000 spectators each year. The tournament features a singles draw of 56 players, a qualifying draw of 32 players and a doubles draw of 16 players. In conjunction with Tennis Channel and WTA Media, the Credit One Charleston Open is showcased from the first ball struck in main draw competition to the last ball played in finals, throughout the U.S. and 174 international partners. The tournament receives more than 100 hours of tennis coverage, broadcast live from Charleston across the globe to millions of fans. The tournament is operated by Charleston Tennis, LLC. For more information on the Credit One Charleston Open, visit creditonecharlestonopen.com, call (843) 856-7900, email info@charlestontennisllc.com, Facebook (Credit One Charleston Open), Twitter (@CharlestonOpen) or Instagram (@CreditOneCharlestonOpen).

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