



## Volkswagen event

### 2003 Volkswagen Pro Tour Grand Finals (Information)

- Dates** 11 – 14 December 2003
- City/Country** **Guangzhou**, China
- Invitations** According to the ITTF Pro Tour Regulations.  
3.1 "To be eligible to qualify for the 2003 Volkswagen Pro Tour Grand Finals, players must take part in Pro Tour events in at least three (3) Continents **OR** take part in at least six (6) Pro Tour events anywhere".
- Host Association** **Chinese Table Tennis Association**  
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- jointly with :  
**Guangzhou Sports Bureau**  
Mr. Fang Da Er, Vice-Director General  
299 Tianhe Road  
Guangzhou City, Guangdong Province, P.R. China  
Fax 86-20-38797598  
e.mail [cttaguangzhou@163.net](mailto:cttaguangzhou@163.net)
- Playing Venue** **Gymnasium of Guangzhou Tianhe Sports Center**  
299 Tianhe Road, Guangzhou City  
Guangdong Province, P.R. China  
Postal Code 510620  
Fax 86-20-38797598  
e.mail [cttaguangzhou@163.net](mailto:cttaguangzhou@163.net)
- Prize money** **US\$ 240,000** in total

	<b>MS</b> per player	<b>WS</b> per player	<b>MD</b> per pair	<b>WD</b> per pair
Winner	38,000	26,000	10,000	6,000
Runner-up	19,000	13,000	5,000	3,000
Semi-Finalists	10,000	7,000	3,500	2,000
5 to 8 <sup>th</sup> places	5,000	3,250	1,500	1,000
9 to 16 <sup>th</sup> places	2,500	1,500	-	-

All prize money will be paid from the ITTF Ottawa office with a ten (10) percent tax deduction. Payments will be done via International Bank drafts.



In addition to the prize Money, Volkswagen, as the Title Sponsor of the event will give a new VW Beetle to the winner of the Men's Single and Women's Single.

**Equipment**

Tables: **Double Fish "Volant Model"**  
Balls: **Double Fish**  
Floor mat: **Gerflor**

**Official Hotel**

**Grand Palace Hotel (Main)**  
148, Linhe Zhong Road, Tianhe District, Guangzhou,  
Guangdong Province, P. R. China  
Tel: (86-20)38840968  
Fax: (86-20)38840960  
E-Mail: [webmaster@grandpalace-hotel.com](mailto:webmaster@grandpalace-hotel.com)

**Canton Star Hotel**  
89, Linhe West Road, Tianhe District, Guangzhou  
Guangdong Province, P. R. China  
Tel: (86-20) 8755-2888  
Fax: (86-20) 8755-3288

**Hospitality**

Free hospitality (hotel, meals) will be provided to the players from dinner on **10<sup>th</sup>** of December to breakfast on **15<sup>th</sup>** of December. If a player is travelling more than 5 times zones, the player is entitled to 1 additional night's accommodation.

**Accompanying personnel**

Accompanying personnel will have to bear the full expenses directly paid to the **Organizing Committee**. Please, be prepared to secure payment by cash.  
Hospitality must be booked **before the 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2003**, directly to:  
Fax: 86-20-38797598  
Email: [cttaguangzhou@163.net](mailto:cttaguangzhou@163.net)

Organizers can offer the following prices:  
Single room 130 US dollars per person per day  
Double room 100 US dollars per person per day

The hospitality includes hotel, full board (only dinner on Wednesday) and transportation.  
Other expenses (room service fee, telephone fee etc.) shall be borne by the participants or his/her association.

**Travel**

The ITTF will not reimburse any travel expenses according to the new policy.

**Participation Confirmation**

Deadline date for confirmation to the ITTF is Friday **28<sup>th</sup> November, 2003**.  
on fax #: 1-613-733 4603 or e-mail to [cv@tmsin.com](mailto:cv@tmsin.com)

Please note that all travel related information will have to be sent directly to Guangzhou :  
Fax : 86-20-38797598  
Email [cttaguangzhou@163.net](mailto:cttaguangzhou@163.net)

Please, also indicate if the player will have a coach/assistant with them.

**We would also like to know the confirmation for the Reserve Players (\*).**

**Draw**

The draw and Press Conference will be held in the International Conference Hall of Guangzhou Dongfang Hotel (five-star) at **17:00 (local time) on December 10<sup>th</sup>**.

**ALL players have obligation to attend the Press Conference.**

**Visa requirements**

The Chinese Table Tennis Association will send you an invitation letter regarding visas.

Please, send the following information, without delay, which is required on **official invitation letter** to the Chinese Table Tennis Association.

- Name in Full
- Nationality
- Passport Number
- Occupation / Function

**SPECIAL CHALLENGE**

**A special "Challenge" event involving all players (men and women), except the 4 men and 4 women who will play on Sunday, will be held before the Final (exact schedule to be announced later) with the "winner take all" prize of US\$10,000.**

**The players not playing on Sunday, plus spectators, will be drawn at random 2 by 2 for the first round of the challenge. They will each play a 5-points game (one service each, winner who reaches 3 first, no deuce). The 8 winners will be drawn again at random 2 by 2 for the next round, and so on. The winner at the end takes all (US\$10,000).**

**Invitation to Men's and Women's Singles**

Following players have been selected to the 2003 Volkswagen Pro Tour Grand Finals according to Pro Tour Standings list issued on **23 November, 2003**.

	<b>Men</b>		<b>Women</b>
1	Ma Lin, CHN	1	ZHANG Yining, CHN
2	Wang Liqin, CHN	2	GUO Yan, CHN
3	CHUAN Chih-Yuan, TPE	3	BOROS Tamara, HRV
4	WANG Hao, CHN	4	NIU Jianfeng, CHN
5	SMIRNOV Alexei, RUS	5	GUO Yue, CHN
6	LIU Guozheng, CHN	6	TIE Yana, HKG
7	CHEN Qi, CHN	7	WANG Nan, CHN
8	HAO Shuai, CHN	8	SONG Ah Sim, HKG
9	OH Sang Eun, KOR	9	LIN Ling, HKG, HKG
10	LUNDQVIST Jens, SWE	10	KIM Kyung Ah, KOR
11	KARLSSON Peter, SWE	11	UMEMURA Aya, JPN
12	SCHLAGER Werner, AUT	12	LIU Jia, AUT
13	RYU Seung Min, KOR	13	LI Nan, CHN
14	CHIANG Peng Lung, TPE	14	ZHANG Rui, HKG
15	KREANGA Kalinikos, GRE	15	LAU Sui Fei, HKG
16	Hakansson Fredrik, SWE	16	WANG Chen, USA

Reserved players

	<b>Men</b>		<b>Women</b>
1	TOKIC Bojan, SVN	1	FUJINUMA Ai, JPN
2	Qiu Yike, CHN	2	HAIN-HOFMANN Tanja, GER
3	PERSSON Jorgen, SWE	3	HIRANO Sayaka, JPN

**Substitutions**

Substitutions will be in accordance with the Pro Tour Standings list, providing the next player eligible.

All according to Pro Tour Standings list issued on **23 November, 2003**.

### Invitation to Men's and Women's Doubles

Following pairs have been selected to the 2003 Volkswagen Pro Tour Grand Finals according to Pro Tour Standings list issued on **23 November, 2003**.

	<b>Men</b>		<b>Women</b>
1	KO Lai Chak / LI Ching, HKG	1	GUO Yue / NIU Jianfeng, CHN
2	CHEN Qi / MA Lin, CHN	2	WANG Nan / ZHANG Yining, CHN
3	JINDRAK Karl / SCHLAGER Werner, AUT	3	LIN Ling / ZHANG Rui, HKG
4	KREANGA Kalinikos / ROSSKOPF Jörg, GRE-GER	4	GUO Yan / LI Nan, CHN
5	CHEUNG Yuk / LEUNG Chu Yan, HKG	5	SONG Ah Sim / TIE Yana, HKG
6	HAO Shuai / QIU Yike, CHN	6	FUJINUMA Ai / HIURA Reiko, JPN
7	KARAKASEVIC Aleksandar / TOKIC Bojan, SCG-SVN	7	KISHIDA Satoko / UMEMURA Aya, JPN
8	FEJER-KONNERTH Zoltan / WOSIK Torben, GER	8	HUANG I-Hwa / LU Yun-Feng, TPE

Reserved pairs

	<b>Men</b>		<b>Women</b>
1	CHEN Weixing / MATSUSHITA Koji, AUT-JPN	1	JUN Hye Kyung / KIM Kyung Ha, KOR
2	HAKANSSON Fredrik / KARLSSON Peter, SWE	2	LIU Jia / WANG Chen, AUT-USA

5	MA Lin	WANG Hao	CHN	CHN	8500
7	CHEN Qi	LIU Guozheng	CHN	CHN	3250

Above Men Chinese pairs are ranked n°5 and 7. They could be both qualified if CHEN Qi and Ma Lin (ranked n°2) decide to not play together. In that case, FEJER-KONNERTH and WOSIK, GER will be 1<sup>st</sup> reserved pair.

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All according to Pro Tour Standings list issued on **23 November, 2003**.

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