



Little
Mo

West Palm Beach, Florida
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2022

Maureen Catherine Connolly-Brinker, known as "Little Mo", was an American tennis player, the winner of nine major singles titles in the early 1950s. In 1953, she became the first woman to win a Grand Slam. She is also the only player in history to win a title without losing a set at all four major championships.





“Probably the most important thing that tennis has taught me is the kind of fair play and sportsmanship that can be carried over to everyday living. It has taught me how to get along with people and to respect and admire those who have accomplished something in fields other than sports. Tennis has also given me a good sense of competition and a desire to do everything to the best of my ability - no matter what the job may be.”

Maureen Connolly Brinker

THE LITTLE MO MISSION

- The mission of the Maureen Connolly Brinker Tennis Foundation is to further the development of junior tennis worldwide by providing players with an opportunity to:
 - Progress in tennis
 - Build strong values and character
 - Learn good sportsmanship
 - Meet new friends from across the country and world



START SMALL, DREAM BIG

- Andy Roddick won the "Little Mo" in 1992 (age 10) and he said, "the 'Little Mo' was my first big win!"
- **Leylah Fernandez**
- Dominic Thiem
- Coco Gauff won the "Little Mo" in 2012 (age 8) and she said, "the 'Little Mo' is where the belief began."
- **Vasek Pospisil**
- Madison Keys
- Belinda Bencic



HISTORY OF THE LITTLE MO TOURNAMENT

- In 1968, Maureen Connolly Brinker and her dear friend Nancy Jeffett cofounded The Maureen Connolly Brinker Tennis Foundation (MCB) with the mission of furthering junior tennis development worldwide.
- MCB has promoted the development of junior tennis for over 50 years and continues to benefit countless numbers of boys and girls throughout the United States and worldwide.
- It is our mission to provide players with a special and meaningful experience at all of our events.

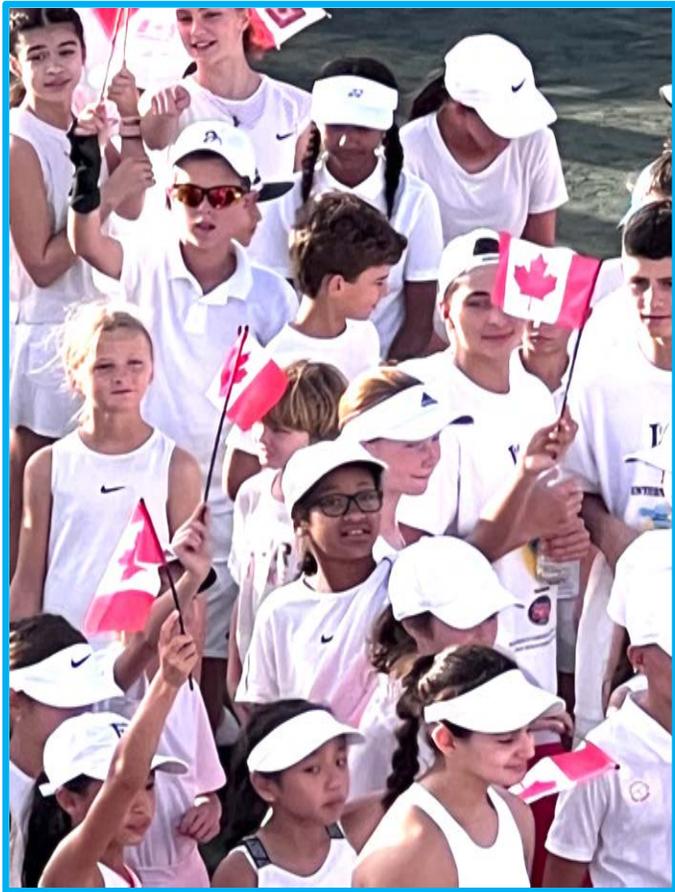


BOB BRYAN

A fun tennis clinic hosted by Wayne Bryan and his son Bob Bryan, of the famous Bryan Brothers doubles team. Considered by many to be the greatest doubles team of all time, Bob and Mike Bryan have shared a remarkable career together and achieved almost everything the sport has to offer: a record 16 Grand Slam men's doubles titles (2 French Open titles, 3 Wimbledon titles, 5 US Open titles, 6 Australian Open titles), 118 career titles, an Olympic gold medal together (London 2012), and an unprecedented 438 weeks in total as the #1 doubles team in the world.

I had the good fortune of speaking to Kathy Bryan about the tournament and the focus on sportsmanship and friendship and she said they used to tell their sons and students, "It's better to only lose a match once than to lose twice by being a bad sport."





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CINDY BRINKER SIMMONS

Cindy Brinker Simmons, MCB President and daughter of Maureen Connolly Brinker, gave an inspirational message.

She requested a quote from Meika to present to sponsors at a Tennis Competitor's of Dallas meeting.





“I’m so happy that I got to play in the 2022 Little Mo tournament. It was my first international tournament and it was so much fun! It’s a great tournament all about good sportsmanship between players. I won a trophy for runner up of the Girls 10 yellow ball consolation and that made me very happy. I appreciate all the work the sponsors have done and I even got something from Lucky in Love and I really love it! Everyone who helped made me feel special and that I was included in everything. You were very kind to me and I really appreciate it. I can’t wait to play my next Little Mo!”

Meika

Consolation Finalist, Girls 10 Yellow Ball
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