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A LOOK AT THE FINALISTS...

PLAYER	RANK	NAT	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$	YTD W/L	YTD TITLES	CAREER PRIZE \$	CAREER W/L	CAREER TITLES
[1] Vera Zvonareva	14	RUS	25	78,432	7-2	0	6,727,321	354-172	9
Tamarine Tanasugarn	87	THA	32	30,148	5-1	0	2,867,921	461-356	3

PLAYER	BEST 2010 RESULT	2009 FINALS RECORD	CAREER FINALS RECORD	LAST FINAL REACHED
[1] Vera Zvonareva	F: Pattaya	2-0 (100%)	9-11 (45%)	2009 Indian Wells (won)
Tamarine Tanasugarn	F: Pattaya	1-0 (100%)	3-6 (33%)	2009 's-Hertogenbosch (won)

ROAD TO THE FINAL

[1] VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS #14)	vs.	TAMARINE TANASUGARN (THA #87)
<p>R32: d. Ksenia Pervak (RUS #118) 63 62 (1hr, 26mins) R16: d. Alberta Brianti (ITA #72) 63 62 (1hr, 28mins) QF: d. [5] Sybille Bammer (AUT #50) 60 76(5) (1hr, 35mins) SF: d. [4] Yaroslava Shvedova (KAZ #48) 62 46 63</p> <p>Total games: 80 Won/lost: 53-27 Sets won/lost: 8-1 Total time on court: 6hrs, 41mins Average time on court: 1hr, 40mins Average rank of opponent: 72</p>		<p>R32: d. Alla Kudryavtseva (RUS #77) 61 62 (1hr, 11mins) R16: d. [2] Sabine Lisicki (GER #25) 63 36 75 (2hrs, 11mins) QF: d. Anna Chakvetadze (RUS #74) 61 64 (1hr, 16mins) SF: d. Sesil Karatantcheva (KAZ #185) 62 60 (1hr, 15mins)</p> <p>Total games: 76 Won/lost: 52-24 Sets won/lost: 8-1 Total time on court: 5hrs, 53mins Average time on court: 1hr, 28mins Average rank of opponent: 90</p>

FINAL QUICK HITS

- Top seed **Vera Zvonareva** and **Tamarine Tanasugarn** have played each other only once before, with **Tanasugarn** winning that second round meeting at 2008 Wimbledon in three sets.
- **Zvonareva** is looking to defend her Pattaya title. The most recent player to successfully defend her title on Tour was Serena Williams at the 2010 Australian Open. **Zvonareva's** last final was at 2009 Indian Wells, which she won by defeating Ana Ivanovic.
- **Tanasugarn** has advanced to the final of Pattaya for the second time in 16 appearances – the first time was back in 1996 (l. Dragomir). This is her first final since her title run at 2009 's-Hertogenbosch. By reaching the final, she has equaled her best results in her home country, having been a finalist here and in Bangkok in 2006 (l. to King).
- This is **Zvonareva's** 21st career singles final; she has a 9-11 win-loss record in finals. **Tanasugarn** is chasing her 4th career singles title, having contested 9 finals previously for a 3-6 win-loss record.
- **Zvonareva** has spent marginally longer on court this week, playing for 6 hours, 41 minutes to reach the final, compared with **Tanasugarn**, who took 5 hours, 53 minutes.
- Both players have lost only one set en route to the final.
- **Tanasugarn** is also competing in the doubles final with Marina Erakovic. The last player to win both the singles and doubles titles at an event was Serena Williams at the 2010 Australian Open.

RANK PROJECTIONS*

- **Vera Zvonareva** is defending champion's points from last year so to maintain her ranking she will have to repeat.
- **Tamarine Tanasugarn** could return to the Top 75 if she reaches the final and to the Top 65 by winning the tournament.

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FINAL MATCH-UP – DAY 7

[1] **VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS #14)** vs. **TAMARINE TANASUGARN (THA #87)**

HEAD TO HEADS: Tanasugarn 1-0

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ZVONAREVA		TANASUGARN	
Tournament (MD Only)	11-2	Tournament (MD Only)	24-16
2010 W-L	7-2	2010 W-L	5-1
Career W-L	354-172	Career W-L	461-356

Win-loss records include current week

VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS)

Date of Birth (Age)	September 7, 1984 (25)	2010 Prize \$ (USD)~	\$78,432
Residence	Moscow, Russia	2010 Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	0 / 0
Current Singles Rank*	No.14	Career Prize \$ (USD)~	\$6,727,321
Highest Singles Rank	No.5 (February 2, 2009)	Career Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	9 / 5

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TOURNAMENT HISTORY: Fourth appearance in Pattaya. Best result in 2009 when she won title, QF in debut appearance in 2005 and 1r loss in 2006.

2010 HIGHLIGHTS: 4r (1): Australian Open

- Reached 4r at Australian Open (as No.9 seed, l. No.7 Azarenka – led by a set and a break)
- In first Tour activity of the year, ret. in first set of 1r match in Sydney vs. Vesnina at 3-3 (w/right ankle injury; same ankle as off-season surgery)

CAREER SUMMARY: WON (9): most recently 2009 Indian Wells; **R-Up (11):** most recently at 2008 Tour Championships; **5 doubles titles**, most recently at 2009 Indian Wells (w/Azarenka, completing singles-doubles title sweep)

- Nine-time Tour singles champion, at 2003 Bol, 2004 Memphis, 2005 Memphis, 2006 Birmingham, 2006 Cincinnati, 2008 Prague, 2008 Guangzhou, 2009 Pattaya City, 2009 Indian Wells
- Won biggest title to date at 2009 Indian Wells and finished in **year-end Top 10** for 2nd straight year at No.9; reached **first Grand Slam SF** at Australian Open and made **Top 5 debut** afterwards
- Runner-up at 2008 **Tour Championships** (l. V.Williams), also qualified in 2004 and played as an alternate in 2009, but did not advance from the round-robin stage on either occasion
- Missed 2 months of 2005 season with left ankle injury; missed 4 months (April to August) of 2007 with left wrist **injury**; also missed 8 weeks due to a right ankle injury suffered at 2009 Charleston; had surgery to remove scar tissue in November 2009
- Has 16 career Top 10 wins and 8 **Top 5 wins**: including 2 against reigning No.1s at 2007 Indian Wells (vs. Sharapova) and 2008 Tour Championships (No.1 Jankovic)
- Member of **Russian Fed Cup Team**, 2003-04, 2008; 2008 Russian **Olympic Team**, (after Sharapova's withdrawal) went on to win **bronze medal** in singles over Li

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2010 Australian Open was 28th career Grand Slam singles main draw appearance
- **Best result** is a semifinalist at 2009 Australian Open (see above); also quarterfinalist at 2003 Roland Garros and 4r on 8 occasions, most recently 2010 Australian Open
- Has **lost in 1r** 5 times in 28 majors through 2010 Australian Open
- Won 2006 US Open **women's doubles title** w/Dechy
- Two-time Grand Slam **mixed doubles champion**, at 2004 US Open (w/B.Bryan) and 2006 Wimbledon (w/Ram)

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OTHER FACTS

- Currently coached by Antonio van Grichen (who coached Azarenka for 4 years, through 2009); formerly coached by Samuel Sumyk, who has started working with Azarenka in 2010
- Official website: www.zvonareva.ru
- Named a "Promoter of Gender Equality" as part of the Sony Ericsson WTA Tour's partnership with UNESCO, the United Nations Educational, Scientific, and Cultural Organization; in this role she joins fellow players Venus Williams, Tatiana Golovin and Zheng Jie; WTA Tour founder Billie Jean King, was also named "Global Mentor for Gender Equality" in November 2008
- In 2008, participated in UNESCO Regional Conference "Political Involvement of Women in the Caucasus" to contribute to the idea of giving women equal opportunities in life
- Off-court training includes swimming, running
- Mother introduced her to tennis at age 6, but no one else in family plays tennis
- Likes traveling, reading, listening to music, volleyball, hockey

TAMARINE TANASUGARN (THA)

Date of Birth (Age)	May 24, 1977 (32)	2010 Prize \$ (USD)~	\$30,148
Residence	Bangkok, Thailand	2010 Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	0 / 0
Current Singles Rank*	No.87	Career Prize \$ (USD)~	\$2,867,921
Highest Singles Rank	No.19 (May 13, 2002)	Career Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	3 / 6

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TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS: 16th appearance in Pattaya; only year missed since debut in 1993 was 2004. Best result was reaching final in 1996 (l. to Dragomir), reached SF in 2003, QF five previous times, l. in 2r three times and 1r six times

2010 HIGHLIGHTS:

- 2r at Australian Open (l. No.15 Clijsters)

CAREER SUMMARY: WON (3): 2003 Hyderabad, 2008-09 's-Hertogenbosch; **R-Up (6):** most recently at 2006 Bangkok; **6 doubles titles**

- Successfully defended title at 2009 's-Hertogenbosch for **3rd career title**
- Scored first **win over reigning No.1** in SF at 2009 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Safina in SF); was 7th (and most recent) career **win vs. Top 10 ranked opponent**; also defeated world No.3 Jankovic at 2008 Wimbledon
- Has been ranked in **year-end Top 100** for 11 of the last 14 years (continuously from 1996 to 2004); finished 2009 just outside at No.111
- Reached first **Grand Slam QF** at 2008 Wimbledon and returned to Top 40 for first time since January 2004 (at No.37); remained in Top 40 until February 2, 2009
- Thai **Fed Cup Team** 1993-95, 1998, 2000, 2003-05, 2007-10; Thai **Olympic Team**, 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2010 Australian Open was 51st main draw appearance at a Grand Slam; **most appearances by any player** in the draw (in Open Era, 30 players have made 52 or more, led by Amy Frazier at 71)
- **Best result** came at 2008 Wimbledon, reaching QF (l. No.7 seed and eventual champion V.Williams); also reached Wimbledon 4r 6 times (1998-02, 2004); has also made 4r appearances at Australian Open (1998), US Open (2003); best showing at Roland Garros is 3r (2002)
- **First Thai female** to reach a Grand Slam singles QF at 2008 Wimbledon (with Zheng reaching SF, first time at a major two Asians reached QF or better)
- Runner-up in 1995 Wimbledon girls' singles (l. Olsza)

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OTHER FACTS

- Coached by former Tour player Andreea Ehritt-Vanc
- Father, Virachai, a lawyer who also coached Tamarine, was an Olympic basketball player in 1960, 1964; mother, Sunattra, is homemaker; has two older sisters and one brother
- Carried Thailand's flag into Olympic Stadium at 1996 Olympic Games
- Holds dual citizenship: USA (where she was born) and Thailand (both parents are Thai; lived there since age 5)
- Carries heart-shaped lucky charm
- Voted 1996 Best Female Athlete by Press Association in Thailand; trophy was presented by King Rama IX

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DOUBLES FINAL

MARINA ERAKOVIC (NZL #230)/TAMARINE TANASUGARN (THA #96) vs.
ANNA CHAKVETADZE (RUS #298)/KSENIA PERVAK (RUS #367)

- **Marina Erakovic** and **Tamarine Tanasugarn** face a first-time meeting with fellow unseeded pair **Anna Chakvetadze** and **Ksenia Pervak** in the doubles final.
- **Erakovic** and **Tanasugarn** defeated the top seeds Anastasia Rodionova (AUS) and Arina Rodionova (RUS) en route to the final, while **Chakvetadze** and **Pervak** ousted the No.2 seeds Jill Craybas (USA) and Julia Goerges (GER) in a match tiebreak in the semifinals.
- **Tanasugarn** has reached back-to-back doubles finals at Pattaya, having won the title with Yaroslava Shvedova (KAZ) last year.
- **Erakovic** and **Chakvetadze** have both advanced to the final on their doubles debut at Pattaya, while **Pervak's** best result is the quarterfinals last year (with fellow Russian Elena Bovina).
- **Erakovic** and **Tanasugarn** have combined together once before, winning an ITF Circuit event in Japan last year. This is the first tournament **Chakvetadze** and **Pervak** have played together.
- **Tanasugarn** has won 6 Sony Ericsson WTA Tour doubles titles, and finished runner-up another 6 times. Her most recent doubles title was Pattaya last year (w/Shvedova).
- **Erakovic** is a 3-time Tour doubles title winner, most recently at 2008 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Krajicek), and has reached the final of one more.
- **Chakvetadze** is chasing her first Tour doubles title, having finished as runner-up three times, the last time being 2007 San Diego (w/Azarenka).
- **Pervak** has advanced to her career-first Tour-level doubles final this week. Previously, she has won two ITF Circuit events: ITF/Rousse-BUL (w/Panova) and ITF/Ismaning-GER (w/Lyubtsova).
- All four players also contested singles this week: **Pervak** and **Erakovic** fell in the first round; **Chakvetadze** advanced to the quarterfinals where she was beaten by **Tanasugarn**, who went on to reach the singles final.

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[1] Vera Zvonareva	14	RUS	25	78,432	6-2	0	6,727,321	353-172	9
[4] Yaroslava Shvedova	48	KAZ	22	31,873	4-2	0	779,140	177-114	1
Tamarine Tanasugarn	87	THA	32	30,148	4-1	0	2,867,921	460-356	3
Sesil Karatantcheva	185	KAZ	20	19,149	7-2	0	478,068	159-71	0

PLAYER	BEST 2010 RESULT	LAST TOURNAMENT WON
[1] Vera Zvonareva	4r: Australian Open	2009 Indian Wells
[4] Yaroslava Shvedova	2r: Australian Open	2007 Bangalore
Tamarine Tanasugarn	2r: Australian Open	2009 's-Hertogenbosch
Sesil Karatantcheva	2r: Brisbane	--

SEMIFINAL QUICK HITS

- Of the semifinalists, **Vera Zvonareva** is the only player to have won this title. She is the defending champion.
- Local star **Tamarine Tanasugarn** is a semifinalist at Pattaya for the third time, having reached the semifinals in 1996 (where she reached the finals) and 2003. Her SF appearance here is the furthest she has advanced at a Tour event since her title run at 's-Hertogenbosch, Netherlands in 2009. By reaching the final, she would equal her best results in her home country, having been the finalist here in 1996 (l. to Dragomir) and in Bangkok in 2006 (l. to King)
- **Vera Zvonareva** and **Yaroslava Shvedova** have met only once – here in Pattaya last year in the second round (Zvonareva leads 1-0). **Tamarine Tanasugarn** and **Sesil Karatantcheva** also have one previous meeting – Tanasugarn prevailed this year in the first round of the Australian Open.
- Among the semifinalists, **Tamarine Tanasugarn** has the most career wins (460) and the most Tour singles titles (9). She also has played 39 matches here - the most matches here of all the semifinalists. She is 23-16.
- **Sesil Karatantcheva** is in a Tour semifinal for the first time in her career; she reached Tour quarterfinals on five previous occasions including the 2005 French Open.

RANK PROJECTIONS*

- **Vera Zvonareva** is defending champion's points from last year so to maintain her ranking she will have to repeat.
- **Yaroslava Shvedova**, currently a career high of No.48, could rise to around No.40 with a title run.
- **Tamarine Tanasugarn** could return to the Top 75 if she reaches the final and to the Top 65 by winning the tournament.
- **Sesil Karatantcheva** currently at approximately No.140 at the semifinals, would be closing in on the top 100 with a title on Sunday.

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FEATURED SEMIFINAL MATCH-UPS – DAY 6

[1] VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS #14) vs. [4] YAROSLAVA SHVEDOVA (KAZ #48)

HEAD TO HEADS: Zvonareva leads 1-0

2009 PATTAYA CITY HARD R16 ZVONAREVA, VERA 6-4 6-4

ZVONAREVA		SHVEDOVA	
Tournament (MD Only)	10-2	Tournament (MD Only)	4-2
2010 W-L	6-2	2010 W-L	4-2
Career W-L	353-172	Career W-L	177-114

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VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS)

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by Samuel Sumyk, who has started working with Azarenka in 2010

- Official website: www.zvonareva.ru
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- In 2008, participated in UNESCO Regional Conference "Political Involvement of Women in the Caucasus" to contribute to the idea of giving women equal opportunities in life
- Off-court training includes swimming, running
- Mother introduced her to tennis at age 6, but no one else in family plays tennis
- Likes traveling, reading, listening to music, volleyball, hockey

YAROSLAVA SHVEDOVA (KAZ)

Date of Birth (Age)	September 12, 1987 (22)	2010 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$31,873
Residence	Moscow, Russia	2010 Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	0 / 0
Current Singles Rank*	No.48	Career Prize \$ (USD)*	\$779,140
Highest Singles Rank*	No.48 (Feb 1, 2010)	Career Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	1 / 1

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TOURNAMENT HISTORY: Third consecutive appearance in Pattaya. 1r loss in first appearance in 2008, reached 2r in 2009, l. to eventual champion Zvonareva in straight sets.

2010 HIGHLIGHTS: 2r Australian Open, 1r Hobart

2009 HIGHLIGHTS: SF (2): Bad Gastein, Tashkent; **QF (1):** Palermo

- Reached semifinal at Bad Gastein (d. No.9 seed Peer en route, l. to eventual champion Petkovic) and Tashkent (as top seed l. to Amanmuradova)
- Reached quarterfinal at Palermo (l. to No.5 seed Errani)
- As qualifier, reached 3r at Roland Garros for best Grand Slam result to date (d. No.19 seed Kanepi in 1r, l. to Sharapova in 3s, win over world No.18 Kanepi was third Top 20 win); also 3r finish at US Open (d. No.5 Jankovic in 2r before falling to Dulko)
- As direct entrant reached 2r at Wimbledon (l. to qualifier Oudin in 3s), Pattaya City (l. to top seed and eventual champion Zvonareva), Indian Wells(as qualifier, l. to No.8 seed Azarenka in 3s), Rome (as qualifier, l. to No.12 seed Pennetta), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to No.1 seed Safina) and Toronto (as qualifier, l. to No.2 seed S.Williams)
- Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. to No.10 seed Petrova), Birmingham (l. to Scheepers in 3s), Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. to Kirilenko), Beijing (l. to Peng after qualifying) and Osaka (l. to Johansson)
- Fell in qualifying at Brisbane and Strasbourg
- Won career-first Tour doubles title at Pattaya City (w/Tanasugarn)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY (SINGLES)

- 2009 US Open was 10th Grand Slam singles main draw
- Best result came at 2009 Roland Garros and 2009 US Open, reaching 3r both times
- Reached 2r twice: 2008 Australian Open and 2009 Wimbledon
- Fell in qualifying at 2007 Australian Open, 2006/2008 Roland Garros, 2008 Wimbledon, 2006 US Open

CAREER SUMMARY

- First Tour singles title came at 2007 Bangalore in only fourth Tour main draw (d. Santangelo in final), made top 100 debut after that event
- Two-time Tour semifinalist: 2009 Bad Gastein and 2009 Tashkent
- One-time Tour quarterfinalist: 2009 Palermo
- One-time Tour doubles titlist: 2009 Pattaya City (w/Tanasugarn); one-time finalist: 2008 Cincinnati (w/Hsieh)
- 2008 marked second straight Top 100 season, with best result coming at Birmingham, reaching 3r (as qualifier, d. No.10 seed Amanmuradova en route; l. to Erakovic)
- Has three career Top 20 wins: No.15 Ivanovic (2007 Miami), No.20 Bammer (2008 Antwerp) and No.18 Kanepi (2009 French Open)

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- On ITF Circuit, has won three singles titles and three doubles titles

OTHER FACTS

- Coached by father, Vyacheslav
- Mother, Nurzia, was a professional runner; brother, Pavel, is a student; cat's name is Tema
- Began playing at age 8 when father introduced her to the sport in Moscow
- Trains at the CSKA club in Moscow
- Favorite surface is hard
- Changed nationality from Russia to Kazakhstan in 2008
- Junior highlights include doubles runner-up at 2004 Roland Garros (w/Kotkina; l. to Bohmova/Krajicek in final)

SESil KARATANTCHEVA (KAZ #185) vs. TAMARINE TANASUGARN (THA #87)

HEAD TO HEADS: Tanasugarn leads 1-0

2010 AUSTRALIAN OPEN HARD R128 TANASUGARN, TAMARINE 6-1 7-6(0)

KARATANTCHEVA		TANASUGARN	
Tournament (MD Only)	3-1	Tournament (MD Only)	23-16
2010 W-L	7-2	2010 W-L	4-1
Career W-L	159-71	Career W-L	460-356

^Win-Loss records include current week

SESil KARATANTCHEVA (BUL)

Date of Birth (Age)	August 8 ,1989 (20)	2010 Prize \$ (USD)*	\$19,149
Residence	Sofia, Bulgaria / Sarasota, Fla.-USA	2010 Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	0 / 0
Current Singles Rank*	No.185	Career Prize \$ (USD)	\$478,068
Highest Singles Rank*	No.35 (November 7, 2005)	Career Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	0 / 0

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TOURNAMENT HISTORY: Made her tournament debut in 2009 by qualifying, l. in 1r.

2009 HIGHLIGHTS

- Had to play in qualifying draw of 15 Tour and Grand Slam events, qualified five times; best result was at Australian Open where she reached 2r; also reached 2r in Brisbane
- Fell 2r at Brisbane (as qualifier, l. to Govortsova 75 third set)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY (SINGLES)

- Had appeared in eight Grand Slam main draws
- Reached QF at 2005 Roland Garros

CAREER SUMMARY

- Best Tour singles results have been five quarterfinal appearances: 2004 Vancouver, 2004 Quebec City, 2005 Gold Coast, 2005 Roland Garros, 2005 San Diego
- One-time Tour doubles finalist: 2008 Bad Gastein (w/Zoric)
- On January 11, 2006, given a two-year ban after testing positive for nandrolone
- In 2008 return, won singles titles at two first two events back on ITF Circuit and made Tour return at Fes, reaching 2r (l. to top seed Medina Garrigues 36 76(4) 61; led 63 53 w/mp at 63 54) and fell in qualifying 10 times (incl. Wimbledon and US Open)
- Made Top 50 debut on July 4, 2005 (after Wimbledon; rose from No.52 to No.48) and reached career-high No.35 on November 7, 2005 (after reaching 2r at Philadelphia)
- Has two career Top 20 wins: No.13 V.Williams (2005 Roland Garros) and No.19 Jankovic (2005 Moscow)
- Winner of six singles titles on ITF Circuit
- Member of Bulgarian Fed Cup Team (2005)

OTHER FACTS

- Trains half year at Nick Bollettieri Tennis Academy (he saw her play at 2003 Eddie Herr junior event and offered her a three-week scholarship) and other half in Bulgaria

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- Didn't like tennis at first, when father introduced her to game at age 5
- Father, who placed seventh in World Cup of Rowing, was a Bulgarian National Champion and mother, a volleyball player, was also a Bulgarian National Champion
- Sisters are Gabriele (a name picked by Sesil for her favorite player Gabriela Sabatini) and Elia
- Attributes beginning mastery of English to listening to Spice Girls "all the time" and is now doing the same with Spanish by listening to Shakira
- Junior highlights include winning 2004 Roland Garros singles title (extended run to 10 wins in a row by reaching the ladies' QF the next year)

TAMARINE TANASUGARN (THA)

Date of Birth (Age)	May 24, 1977 (32)	2010 Prize \$ (USD)~	\$30,148
Residence	Bangkok, Thailand	2010 Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	0 / 0
Current Singles Rank*	No.87	Career Prize \$ (USD)~	\$2,867,921
Highest Singles Rank	No.19 (May 13, 2002)	Career Titles (Singles/Doubles)^	3 / 6

^denotes Sony Ericsson WTA Tour events and Grand Slams only; prize money figures do not include this tournament

TOURNAMENT HIGHLIGHTS: 16th appearance in Pattaya; only year missed since debut in 1993 was 2004. Best result was reaching final in 1996 (l. to Dragomir), reached SF in 2003, QF five previous times, l. in 2r three times and 1r six times.

2010 HIGHLIGHTS:

- 2r at Australian Open (l. No.15 Clijsters)

CAREER SUMMARY: Won (3): 2003 Hyderabad, 2008-09 's-Hertogenbosch; **R-Up (6):** most recently at 2006 Bangkok; **6 doubles titles**

- Successfully defended title at 2009 's-Hertogenbosch for **3rd career title**
- Scored first **win over reigning No.1** in SF at 2009 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Safina in SF); was 7th (and most recent) career **wins vs. Top 10 ranked opponent**; also defeated world No.3 Jankovic at 2008 Wimbledon
- Has been ranked in **year-end Top 100** for 11 of the last 14 years (continuously from 1996 to 2004); finished 2009 just outside at No.111
- Reached first **Grand Slam QF** at 2008 Wimbledon and returned to Top 40 for first time since January 2004 (at No.37); remained in Top 40 until February 2, 2009
- Thai **Fed Cup Team** 1993-95, 1998, 2000, 2003-05, 2007-09; Thai **Olympic Team**, 1996, 2000, 2004, 2008

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2010 Australian Open was 51st main draw appearance at a Grand Slam; **most appearances by any player** in the draw (in Open Era 30 players have made 52 or more, led by Amy Frazier (71))
- **Best result** came at 2008 Wimbledon, reaching QF (l. to No.7 seed and eventual champion V.Williams); also reached Wimbledon 4r 6 times (1998-02, 2004); has also made 4r appearances at Australian Open (1998), US Open (2003); best showing at Roland Garros is 3r (2002)
- **First Thai female** to reach a Grand Slam singles QF at 2008 Wimbledon (with Zheng reaching SF, first time at a major two Asians reached QF or better)
- Runner-up in 1995 Wimbledon girls' singles (l. Olsza)

OTHER FACTS

- Coached by former Tour player Andreea Ehrhrit-Vanc
- Father, Virachai, a lawyer who also coaches Tamarine, was an Olympic basketball player in 1960, 1964; mother, Sunattra, is homemaker; has two older sisters and one brother
- Carried Thailand's flag into Olympic Stadium at 1996 Olympic Games
- Holds dual citizenship: USA (where she was born) and Thailand (both parents are Thai; lived there since age 5)
- Carries heart-shaped lucky charm
- Voted 1996 Best Female Athlete by Press Association in Thailand; trophy was presented by King Rama IX

Sony Ericsson WTA Tour Web site: www.sonyericssonwtatour.com

Tournament Web site: <http://www.pentanglepromotions.com/pattaya-open-2010.html>

PATTAYA CITY QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Monday, February 8 – Sunday, February 14, 2010
Singles Final: Sunday, February 14, 3:00pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, following singles final
Venue: Dusit Resort Pattaya
Status: Sony Ericsson WTA Tour International Event
Total prize money: US\$220,000
Staging: 19th consecutive staging.
Draw sizes: 32 singles / 16 doubles / 16 qualifying (4 qualifiers)
Surface: Hardcourt / Outdoors
2009 Finals: (1) Vera Zvonareva (RUS) d. Sania Mirza (IND) 75 61
 (2) Shvedova (KAZ)/Tanasugarn (THA) d. Beygelzimer (UKR)/Diatchenko (RUS) 63 62

PRIZE MONEY AND RANKING POINTS

Prize money at the 2010 PTT Pattaya Women's Open totals US\$220,000.

SINGLES	US\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	\$37,000	280
Runner-Up	\$19,000	200
Semifinalist	\$10,200	130
Quarterfinalist	\$5,340	70
Round of 16	\$2,950	30
Round of 32	\$1,725	1

DOUBLES	US\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	\$11,000	280
Runner-Up	\$5,750	200
Semifinalist	\$3,100	130
Quarterfinalist	\$1,650	70
Round of 16	\$860	1

WILDCARDS

Singles Main Draw: Suchanun Viraprasert (THA), Noppawan Lertcheewakarn (THA), and Varatchaya Wongteanchai (THA)

YOUNGEST AND OLDEST IN SINGLES MAIN DRAW (Not Including Qualifiers)

Youngest: Noppawan Lertcheewakarn (THA), – 18 years old (b. November 18, 1991)

Oldest: Kimiko Date Krumm (JPN) – 39 years old (b. September 28, 1970)

FORMER CHAMPIONS / RUNNERS-UP IN THE SINGLES DRAW

Champions (2): Vera Zvonareva (2009), Sybille Bammer (2007)

Runners-up (3): Sania Mirza (2009), Jill Craybas (2008), Tamarine Tanasugarn (1996)

DEBUTANTES (Not Including Qualifiers)

Not including the four qualifiers, the following players are making their singles main draw debuts:

Alberta Brianti (ITA)
 Marina Erakovic (NZL)
 Tatjana Malek (GER)

Varatchaya Wongteanchai (THA) (Q 07,08)

Anna Chakvetadze (RUS)
 Julia Goerges (GER)
 Ayumi Morita (JPN)

Chang Kai-Chen (TPE)
 Sabine Lisicki (GER)
 Chanelle Scheepers (RSA)

MATCH NOTES, PREVIEW STOIRES, RANKINGS AND OTHER INFORMATION AVAILABLE AT:

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COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

Not factoring in the four qualifiers, 14 countries are represented in the singles main draw, led by five (6) players from Russia:

Australia (1)	Anastasia Rodionova
Austria (1)	Sybille Bammer
Germany (3)	Julia Goerges, Sabine Lisicki, Tatjana Malek
India (1)	Sania Mirza
Italy (1)	Alberta Brianti
Japan (2)	Kimiko Date Krumm, Ayumi Morita
Kazakhstan (3)	Sesil Karatantcheva, Yaroslava Shvedova, Galina Voskoboeva
New Zealand (1)	Marina Erakovic
Russia (6)	Ekaterina Bychkova, Anna Chakvetadze, Vera Dushevina, Alla Kudryavtseva, Ksenia Pervak, Vera Zvonareva
South Africa (1)	Chanelle Scheepers
Thailand (4)	Noppawan Lertcheewakarn, Tamarine Tanasugarn, Suchanun Viraprasert, , Varatchaya Wongteanchai
Taipei (2)	Chan Yung-Jan, Chang Kai-Chen
United States (1)	Jill Craybas
Uzbekistan (1)	Akgul Amanmuradova

WEEKS AT No.1

Serena Williams regained No.1 on November 2, 2009 and this week spends her 89th week there. It is her fifth stint: she spent her first 57 weeks from July 8, 2002 to August 10, 2003; four more from September 8 to October 5, 2008; 11 from February 2 to April 19, 2009; and two between October 12 and 25, 2009.

PLAYER	WEEKS AT No.1	DATE REACHED No.1
Steffi Graf (GER)	377	August 17, 1987
Martina Navratilova (USA)	332	July 10, 1978
Chris Evert (USA)	260	November 3, 1975
Martina Hingis (SUI)	209	March 31, 1997
Monica Seles (USA)	178	March 11, 1991
Justine Henin (BEL)	117	October 20, 2003
Lindsay Davenport (USA)	98	October 12, 1998
SERENA WILLIAMS (USA)	89*	JULY 8, 2002
Amélie Mauresmo (FRA)	39	September 13, 2004
Dinara Safina (RUS)	26	April 20, 2009
Tracy Austin (USA)	21	April 7, 1980
Kim Clijsters (BEL)	19	August 11, 2003
Jelena Jankovic (SRB)	18	August 11, 2008
Jennifer Capriati (USA)	17	October 15, 2001
Maria Sharapova (RUS)	17	August 22, 2005
Ana Ivanovic (SRB)	12	June 9, 2008
Arantxa Sánchez-Vicario (ESP)	12	February 6, 1995
Venus Williams (USA)	11	February 25, 2002
Evonne Goolagong (AUS)	2	April 26, 1976

**including week of February 8, 2009*

The Commonwealth Bank Tournament of Champions

The second annual [Commonwealth Bank Tournament of Champions](#) is scheduled for November 4 to 7, 2010 at the Bali International Convention Centre. Featuring top Sony Ericsson WTA Tour players and next generation champions competing in an eight woman, single elimination singles format (with a first place and third place match on finals day), it will offer \$600,000 in prize money.

Eight players who have captured at least one International Series tournament during the year and who are not participating in singles at the year-end Sony Ericsson Championships - Doha 2010 will qualify for the event. The tournament may have an option to award players wildcards into the tournament.

The [Commonwealth Bank Tournament of Champions](#) debuted in Bali in 2009 and will continue there at least through 2011.

Below is a look at the [Road to Bali](#) - the 32 International tournaments (each offering \$220,000 in prize money) leading up to the season-ending finale.

START	INTERNATIONAL EVENT	LOCATION	WINNER
Jan 3	Brisbane International	Brisbane AUS	Kim Clijsters
Jan 4	ASB Classic	Auckland NZL	Yanina Wickmayer
Jan 10	Moorilla Hobart International	Hobart AUS	Alona Bondarenko
Feb 7	PTT Pattaya Open	Pattaya City THA	
Feb 14	Regions Morgan Keegan Championships & the Cellular South Cup	Memphis TN-USA	
Feb 15	XVIII Copa BBVA Colsanitas	Bogotá COL	
Feb 22	Abierto Mexicano TELCEL presentado por HSBC	Acapulco MEX	
Feb 22		Kuala Lumpur MAS	
Mar 1	Monterrey Open	Monterrey MEX	
Apr 5	MPS Group Championships	Ponte Vedra Beach FL-USA	
Apr 5	Andalucia Tennis Experience	Marbella ESP	
Apr 12	Barcelona Ladies Open	Barcelona ESP	
Apr 26	Grand Prix de SAR La Princesse Lalla Meryem	Fès MAR	
May 3	Estoril Open	Estoril POR	
May 17	Internationaux de Strasbourg	Strasbourg FRA	
Jun 7	AEGON Classic	Birmingham GBR	
Jun 13	UNICEF Open	's-Hertogenbosch NED	
Jul 5	GDF SUEZ Grand Prix	Budapest HUN	

Jul 5	Collector Swedish Open Women	Bastad SWE
Jul 12	Internazionali Femminili di Tennis di Palermo	Palermo ITA
Jul 12	ECM Prague Open	Prague CZE
Jul 19	Banka Koper Slovenia Open	Portoroz SLO
Jul 19	NÜRNBERGER Gastein Ladies	Bad Gastein AUT
Jul 26	Istanbul Cup	Istanbul TUR
Aug 2	e-Boks Danish Open	Copenhagen DEN
Sep 13	Guangzhou International Women's Open	Guangzhou CHN
Sep 13	Bell Challenge	Québec City CAN
Sep 20	Hansol Korea Open	Seoul KOR
Sep 20	Tashkent Open	Tashkent UZB
Oct 11	Generali Ladies Linz	Linz AUT
Oct 11	HP Open	Osaka JPN
Oct 18	BGL Luxembourg Open	Luxembourg LUX
Nov 4	Commonwealth Bank Tournament of Champions	Bali INA