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## Nicaraguan duo reaches semifinals at Mission Beach



MISSION BEACH, Trinidad, November 17, 2012 - Nicaraguan duo, Gerald Umana and Henry Hernandez, and USA-1 pairing William Montgomery and Antonio Ciarelli have secured spots in the semifinal round of the tenth stop of the NORCECA Beach Volleyball Circuit at Mission Beach, Toco on Saturday.

The Central American pair of Umana and Hernandez broke the hearts of top ranked local pair, TRI-1, Fabien Whitfield and Daneil Williams 24-22, 12-21, 18-16 in the first of two main draw quarterfinals.

However, the T&T duo will have another shot at the semis on Saturday when they meet the winner of the yet to be completed match between St Lucia and Aruba, which was forced to be halted with the score at one-set all.

Montgomery and Ciarelli are through to the semis from the main draw after overcoming compatriots, Weston Carico and Curt Toppel (USA-2), in another intense three-setter main draw's quarterfinal, 21-16, 19-21, 18-16.

In the women's field, The USA-A team of recently crowned World University

champions, Summer Ross and Emily Day, and the USA-B duo Tealle Hunkus and fan favourite Tracylyn Weamer both advanced to the semifinals.

Ross and Day started off day two of the tournament with a 21-6, 21-4 triumph over Grenada's Yenelsi Rincon and Akida Peters to top their three-team Pool B round-robin series with a 2-0 record after easing past T&T-C, Shenelle Gordon and La-Teisha Joseph on Friday's opening day, 21-3, 21-11.

Next up for USA-A was a quarterfinal encounter with T&T-B, Elki Phillip and Andrea Davis, which the North Americans won 21-9, 21-10 to set up a semis meeting with Costa Rica on Sunday's final day.

Hunkus and Weamer, after topping Pool A with a 2-0 record on Friday overcame a spirited showing from T&T-C debutants, Gordon and Joseph, 21-11, 21-11 in their quarterfinal encounter.

Saturday's men results: USA-B d ARU 2-1 (15-21, 21-18, 15-13); USA-A d CRC 2-0 (21-13, 21-19); NCA d TRI-A 2-1 (24-22, 12-21, 18-16); USA-A d USA-B, 2-1 (21-16, 19-21, 18-16); LCA d BAR 2-0 (21-13, 21-6); GUA d CAN 2-1 (21-17, 17-21, 15-12); CRC d TRI-B 2-0 (21-9, 21-13); ARU d TRI-C 2-0 (21-18, 21-14); LCA v ARU 24-22, 21-23 to be continued on Sunday; CRC d GUA 2-1 (21-19, 20-22, 30-28).

Saturday's women results: TRI-B d CAN 2-1 (21-13, 26-28, 17-15); USA-A d GRN 2-0 (21-6, 21-4); TRI-A d LCA 2-0 (21-8, 15-21, 15-9); CRC d TRI-D 2-0 (21-8, 21-8). Quarterfinals: USA-B d TRI-C 2-0 (21-11, 21-11); CRC d LCA 2-0 (21-10, 21-12); USA-A d TRI-B 2-0 (21-9, 21-10); TRI-A d ISV 2-1 (21-14, 22-24, 15-10).



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