

AN UNFORGETTABLE WELCOME DINNER

Bali, September 12, 2005... The welcome dinner held last night (11/9) at the **Grand Hyatt Bali** Ballroom will be a moment to remember for most of the world players – among them **Jamie Jackson, Karolina Sprem, Alicia Molik, and Patty Schnyder**. Because at that time they had the opportunity to parade their style like ‘models’, showing off their designer clothes by **Rico Ananta**, with the theme Disco Fever fashion show.

This fashion show was conducted in two sessions. The first was a golden night gown session. While the next session was for displaying blue and black *chic simple* fashion show with shining bead accessories. Although a little awkward on the catwalk wearing high heels, these tennis players display self confidence and keep smiling brightly. The admiring audience gave a round applause.

Aside from the fashion show, last years’ Wismilak International agenda was presented through two large screens. The entertaining event with **MC Balla** presented quizzes and a performance by *Boys & Girls* from **Club Med**, also modern dance, capoeira, and barongsai. Some of the audience joined in a song and dance with music played by **DJ Skin**.

Laughter and merriment was in the air when DJ Skin played the Billie Jean song and challenged the audience to dance on stage imitating Michael Jackson’s choreography. Without hesitating, several audience danced the famous Jacko moonwalk. Until late last night, the audience, including Grand Hyatt Bali General Manager Detlev Truenit and tournament director Kevin Livesey spent the night singing and dancing.

Editor’s Notes :

Since its debut in 1994, the Wismilak International, part of the worldwide Sony Ericsson WTA Tour, has been held in Surabaya, Kuala Lumpur, and now Bali. Initially the event was named the “Wismilak Open”, before changing it’s name to the “Wismilak International” in 1996 as a reflection of the organiser’s corporate expansion into the international market. The Wismilak International is still the largest tournament in the WTA’s calendar in South East Asia. For more information please visit www.wismilakinternational.com

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