

Pa-ac to represent Philippines at Brave 12

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Jomar Pa-ac will be returning to Brave Combat Federation at Brave 12: KHK Legacy on May 11 at Jakarta, Indonesia. Pa-ac who is training at the fabled Team Lakay will be moving to the flyweight division at the twelfth edition of Brave Combat Federation.

Jomar Pa-ac has competed twice at Brave Combat Federation, during Brave 2 and Brave 4 picking wins against Haider Farman and Atif Mohammad respectively.

Having fought four professional fights, Pa-ac is undefeated and have one knockout victory,

one submission victory and two victories by way of decisions. He will be facing the IMMAF medallist from the Kingdom of Bahrain, Hussain Ayyad. Ayyad will be making his professional debut at Brave 12.

Brave Combat Federation has recently expanded the flyweight division with the recent signings including that of the 9 time IBJJF champion Bruno Malfacine.

Bruno Malfacine had picked the victory at Brave 11 hosted in Belo Horizonte, Brazil.

With one victory, Pa-ac will be making his third victory in a row which is the highest for a competing Team Lakay fighter in the roster.



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Rafael Nadal enters semi-final with thumping victory



Rafael Nadal plays a shot

Monte Carlo

Rafael Nadal produced a stunning performance to thrash Austrian fifth seed Dominic Thiem and reach a record 14th Monte Carlo Masters semi-final.

World number one Nadal, bidding for his 11th victory at the clay court event, won 6-0 6-2 in just 67 minutes.

Nadal, 31, will meet Bulgarian fourth seed Grigor Dimitrov in the last four.

Dimitrov reached his first Monte Carlo semi-final with a 6-4 7-6 (7-5) win over Belgium's David Goffin, who was leading 5-1 in the second set.

Croatian second seed Marin Cilic was beaten by Japan's Kei Nishikori, while Alexander Zverev faces Richard Gasquet in the last

quarter-final later on Friday.

Thiem, 24, was considered by many as Nadal's biggest threat in Monte Carlo, having beaten the Spaniard on his favoured clay surface in Rome last year and winning against Novak Djokovic to set up the quarter-final match.

However, the world number seven - aiming to become the first player to beat Djokovic and Nadal in the same clay-court tournament - was completely outclassed.

Nadal took the first set in just 31 minutes, winning four of his 11 break points and not facing one against his own serve.

Thiem avoided a double-bagel defeat by holding serve to trail 3-1 in the second set and was rewarded with a sympathetic ovation from the crowd.

But he failed to threaten Nadal's serve and the 16-time Grand Slam champion eased to an emphatic victory.

Nadal, who is aiming for a record-extending 11th French Open title when the tournament gets under way on 27 May, has now won 31 of his past 32 matches on clay.

"I think I played a great match - the best of the tournament," said Nadal.

"I played very aggressive, I knew I couldn't give Dominic time to hit the ball and I didn't." (BBC)



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