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# LIAM DRAXL, ALEXIS GALARNEAU, AND DUNCAN CHAN HEADLINE STRONG DRUMMONDVILLE NATIONAL BANK CHALLENGER PLAYER LIST

***The ATP Challenger will take place from November 15-22, 2026 at Tennis intérieur René-Verrier in Drummondville, Quebec***

**[MONTREAL, QC] November 4, 2026 –** On Thursday, the player list for the 2026 Drummondville National Bank Challenger presented by Girardin was unveiled, featuring a Canadian trio of Liam Draxl (Newmarket, ON), Alexis Galarneau (Laval, QC) and Duncan Chan (Markham, ON). The ATP Challenger will be held at Tennis intérieur René-Verrier in Drummondville, Quebec, from November 15-22, 2026.

“We’re proud to once again bring a strong player field to Drummondville and give fans the opportunity to experience professional tennis up close,” said Francis Milloy, Tournament Director of the Drummondville National Bank Challenger. “Having several Canadians in the main draw makes this year’s edition particularly exciting, and we look forward to seeing them compete alongside an impressive group of international talent. It’s a great way to close out the Canadian tennis season and celebrate the continued growth of the sport in Quebec and in Canada.”

The field is led by world No. 100 Michael Zheng, a 22-year-old American with three ATP Challenger titles who reached the third round at both Wimbledon and the US Open this year. Other notable international players include 2001-born Frenchmen Valentin Royer (No. 120), a four-time Challenger champion, and Clement Chidekh (No. 131), who recently reached his first ATP 250 quarter-final in Brussels, Belgium and won his fifth Challenger title in October.

Also featured in the main draw are Canadians Draxl, Galarneau, and Chan. Draxl qualified for his first Grand Slam main draw at the 2026 Australian Open and is coming off an ATP Challenger runner-up finish. The 24-year-old has won nine of his last 11 matches. Galarneau has reached the semi-finals or better at four ATP Challenger events this season and teamed up with Chan to reach the doubles quarter-finals at the ATP 1000-level National Bank Open presented by Rogers. Chan, who reached the Drummondville final in 2025, recently made his Davis Cup debut in Quebec City in September.

Click here to view the full list of players scheduled to participate in the 2026 Drummondville National Bank Challenger. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.tenniscanada.com/national-bank-challengers/drummondville.

**MEDIA NOTES**

- The Drummondville Challenger celebrated its 10th anniversary in 2025.
- Former Canadian singles champions include Vasek Pospisil and Denis Shapovalov.
- The tournament is the 19th and final professional event held in Canada in 2026.
- Canadian players are also taking part in the *Road to the NBO*, a points race for a main-draw wild
- card into the 2027 National Bank Open presented by Rogers.

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- Keegan Rice currently leads the men's standings with 35 points.

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