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US tennis players Venus Williams, left, and Serena Williams will be in Soweto tomorrow before going to a fundraiser

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Princess Charlene of Monaco

Three 'sisters' in SA for variety of fun events

Staff Reporter

PRINCESS Charlene of Monaco and Venus and Serena Williams will be in the country this weekend to take part in a host of charity events – unfortunately Cape Town misses out as they will be in Joburg.

Bruce Davidson, a promoter with the BLD Group, said yesterday that Princess Charlene will be guest of honour at the Emperors Palace Charity Mile race day which will take place tomorrow at Turfontein racecourse.

The race will see 16 horses competing for R550 000 in prize money which will be shared among 16 charities.

Princess Charlene is a former South African Olympic swimmer

who competed in the 2000 Sydney Olympics.

Meanwhile, the Williams sisters, fresh from their trip to Nigeria, will also be in Joburg over the weekend as part of their Breaking the Mould world tour.

Davidson said the Wimbledon winning sisters will be in Soweto tomorrow for a tennis development clinic before leaving for a fundraising dinner at Montecasino.

They will finish their weekend by attending the SA Sports awards on Sunday before leaving the country on Monday.

Qondisa Ngwenya, managing director of Octagon, who are behind the Breaking the Mould initiative, explained that it was

“aimed specifically at acknowledging and recognising women (of all ages) who have broken the mould whether at home, play, work or in their communities. These are women who have risen above their own set of challenges and adversities to succeed and inspire.”

Ngwenya said the Williams sisters will play an exhibition match which will also break the mould by being the first match to feature wheelchair tennis players as ball children.

Wheelchair Tennis SA, through the Sports Trust, will be the recipients at a gala dinner of funds raised through the auction of original tennis memorabilia kindly donated by the sisters.

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