

ROTHESAY INTERNATIONAL – ATP MEDIA NOTES PREVIEW & DAY 1 - MONDAY 26 JUNE 2023

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2023 ROTHESAY INTERNATIONAL SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2023 W-L (BEST FINISH)	EVENT W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Taylor Fritz (USA)	33-14 (Delray Beach Title)	10-3 (2019, 2022 Titles)
2	Tommy Paul (USA)	19-13 (Acapulco Final)	2-1 (2022 QF)
3	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	21-13 (Acapulco Title)	7-2 (2021 Title)
4	Francisco Cerundolo (ARG)	24-16 (Lyon Final)	0-1 (2022 1R)
5	Nicolas Jarry (CHI)	22-9 (Santiago, Geneva Titles)	1-2 (2019 2R)
6	Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG)	19-13 (Santiago, Houston Finals)	0-0 (2022 Q1)
7	Lorenzo Sonego (ITA)	17-16 (Montpellier, Dubai QF)	4-2 (2021 Final)
8	Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB)	15-17 (Delray Beach, Estoril Finals)	0-0 (Debut)
9	Botic van de Zandschulp (NED)	13-14 (Munich Final)	0-0 (Debut)

Tournament History Previously held in Nottingham from 1995-2008, 2015-16 & Eastbourne 2009-2014, 2017-

2019, 2021-Present (28th Edition in 2023)

Singles Final Saturday 1 July not before 2:30pm

Wild Cards (3) Liam Broady (GBR), George Loffhagen (GBR), Ryan Peniston (GBR)

Qualifiers (4) Daniel Elahi Galan (COL), Marc-Andrea Huesler (SUI),

Luca Van Assche (FRA), Aleksandar Vukic (AUS)

Lucky Loser (1) Jan Choinski (GBR) **Oldest Player** Marco Cecchinato (30) #NextGenATP (1) Luca Van Assche (19)

Most Titles - Jonas Bjorkman, Taylor Fritz, Richard Gasquet. **Tournament Records**

Ivo Karlovic, Feliciano Lopez, Greg Rusedski (2) Most Wins - Jonas Bjorkman, Greg Rusedski (24) Youngest Champion - Richard Gasquet, 19, in 2005 Oldest Champion - Feliciano Lopez, 32, in 2014

Highest-Ranked Champion - No. 4 Novak Djokovic in 2017 Lowest-Ranked Champion - No. 92 Denis Istomin in 2015

Last British Champion - Greg Rusedski in 2003

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (15)

United States (6) Maxime Cressy, Taylor Fritz, Mackenzie McDonald,

Brandon Nakashima, Tommy Paul, J.J Wolf

Liam Broady, Jan Choinski, George Loffhagen, Ryan Peniston **Great Britain (4)** Argentina (3) Sebastian Baez, Francisco Cerundolo, Tomas Martin Etcheverry

China (2) Zhang Zhizhen, Wu Yibing

Gregoire Barrere, Luca Van Assche France (1) Italy (2) Marco Cecchinato, Lorenzo Sonego

Australia (1) Aleksandar Vukic

Chile (1) Nicolas Jarry Portugal (1) Nuno Borges Colombia (1) Daniel Elahi Galan Serbia (1) Miomir Kecmanovic Mikael Ymer Finland (1) Emil Ruusuvuori Sweden (1) Botic Van De Zandschulp Netherlands (1) Switzerland (1) Marc-Andrea Huesler

PEPPERSTONE ATP RANKING POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

Rothesay International	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32
Singles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	20*	0
Singles Prize Money (€)	110,070	64,205	37,750	21,870	12,700	7,760
Doubles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	0	
Doubles Prize Money (€)	38,250	20,460	12,000	6,700	3,950	

^{*} Singles players who receive a bye in R32 and lose in R16 earn 0 ranking points



2023 ROTHESAY INTERNATIONAL DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2023 (BEST FINISH)	EVENT (BEST FINISH)
4	Ivan Dodig (CRO)	59-24 (7 Titles)	22-6 (4 Titles)	6-4 (2016 Final)
I	Austin Krajicek (USA)	22-5 in 2023 (4 Titles)	28-7 (4 Titles)	4-2 (2019, 2022 SF)
2	Rajeev Ram (USA)	155-74 (10 Titles)	16-10 (Lyon Title)	4-3 (2021 Final)
	Joe Salisbury (CRO)	15-10 in 2023 (1 Title)	15-11 (Lyon Title)	4-3 (2021 Final)
3	Hugo Nys (MON)	34-26 (2 Titles)	16-15 (Rome Title)	1-1 (2021 QF)
	Jan Zielinski (POL)	15-14 in 2023 (1 Title)	15-15 (Rome Title)	0-0 (Debut)
4	Nikola Mektic (CRO)	130-47 (16 Titles)	14-14 (2 Titles)	8-0 (2021-22 Titles)
	Mate Pavic (CRO)	14-13 in 2023 (2 Titles)	14-13 (2 Titles)	8-1 (2021-22 Titles)

Doubles Final: Friday 30 June not before 2:30 pm

ROTHESAY INTERNATIONAL SINGLES FINALS (since 2008)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE	
2022	Taylor Fritz (USA)	Maxime Cressy (USA)	6-2 6-7(4) 7-6(4)	
2021	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	Lorenzo Sonego (ITA)	4-6 6-4 7-6(5)	
2020	TOURNAMENT NOT HELD			
2019	Taylor Fritz (USA)	Sam Querrey (USA)	6-3 6-4	
2018	Mischa Zverev (GER)	Lukas Lacko (SVK)	6-4 6-4	
2017	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	Gael Monfils (FRA)	6-3 6-4	
2016	Steve Johnson (USA)	Pablo Cuevas (URU)	7-6(5) 7-5	
2015	Denis Istomin (UZB)	Sam Querrey (USA)	7-6(1) 7-6(6)	
2014	Feliciano Lopez (ESP)	Richard Gasquet (FRA)	6-3 6-7(5) 7-5	
2013	Feliciano Lopez (ESP)	Gilles Simon (FRA)	7-6(2) 6-7(5) 6-0	
2012	Andy Roddick (USA)	Andreas Seppi (ITA)	6-3 6-2	
2011	Andreas Seppi (ITA)	Janko Tipsarevic (SRB)	7-6(5) 3-6 5-3 ret.	
2010	Michael Llodra (FRA)	Guillermo Garcia-Lopez (ESP)	7-5 6-2	
2009	Dmitry Tursunov	Frank Dancevic (CAN)	6-3 7-6(5)	
2008	Ivo Karlovic (CRO)	Fernando Verdasco (ESP)	7-5 6-7(4) 7-6(8)	

BOLD: Player in 2023 Rothesay International singles draw.

ROTHESAY INTERNATIONAL DOUBLES FINALS (since 2008)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE		
2022	Nikola Mektic / Mate Pavic	Matwe Middelkoop / Luke Saville	6-4 6-2		
2021	Nikola Mektic / Mate Pavic	Rajeev Ram / Joe Salisbury	6-4 6-3		
2020	TOURNAMENT NOT HELD				
2019	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	Maximo Gonzalez / Horacio Zeballos	3-6 7-6(4) [10-6]		
2018	Luke Bambridge / Jonny O'Mara	Ken Skupski / Neal Skupski	7-5 6-4		
2017	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Rohan Bopanna / Andre Sa	6-7(4) 6-4 [10-3]		
2016	Dominic Inglot / Daniel Nestor	Ivan Dodig / Marcelo Melo	7-5 7-6(4)		
2015	Chris Guccione / Andre Sa	Pablo Cuevas / David Marrero	6-2 7-5		
2014	Treat Huey / Dominic Inglot	Alexander Peya / Bruno Soares	7-5 5-7 [10-8]		
2013	Alexander Peya / Bruno Soares	Colin Fleming / Jonathan Marray	3-6 6-3 [10-8]		
2012	Colin Fleming / Ross Hutchins	Jamie Delgado / Ken Skupski	6-4 6-3		
2011	Jonathan Erlich / Andy Ram	Grigor Dimitrov / Andreas Seppi	6-3 6-3		
2010	Mariusz Fyrstenberg / Marcin Matkowski	Colin Fleming / Ken Skupski	6-3 5-7 [10-8]		
2009	Mariusz Fyrstenberg / Marcin Matkowski	Travis Parrott / Filip Polasek	6-4 6-4		
2008	Bruno Soares / Kevin Ullyett	Jeff Coetzee / Jamie Murray	6-2 7-6(5)		

BOLD: Player in 2023 Rothesay International doubles draw. Teams Mektic/Pavic and Ram/Salisbury remain intact in the 2023 draw.

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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

CENTRE COURT

[6] Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG) vs J.J Wolf (USA)

First Meeting

Tomas Martin Etcheverry | Age: 23 | World No. 32 | Career-High No. 30 | 2023: 19-13 (2 times in F) | Event: 0-0 (2022 Q1) > Former World No. 12 junior broke into Top 200 in June 2021 and Top 100 in April 2022 before achieving career-high No. 30 in April 2023 soon after reaching 1st Grand Slam QF at 2023 Roland Garros.

- > Earned first career Top 20 wins over No. 19 de Minaur in 2R and No. 16 Coric in 3R en route to reaching 2023 Roland Garros quarter-final without losing a set.
- > Defeated clay-court champions Fognini, F. Cerundolo, Lajovic and Baez en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2023 Santiago and J.M. Cerundolo and Garin en route to 2nd ATP Tour final at 2023 Houston.
- > Qualified at 2022 Australian Open and earned 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2023 Australian Open (d. Barrere).
- > Posted Challenger records of 49-19 in 2021 and 41-16 in 2022, highlighted by clay-court titles at 2021 Perugia, 2021 Trieste and 2022 Concepcion-2.

NOTE: Etcheverry has a 0-1 career record on grass and is seeking his first tour-level win on the surface.

- J.J Wolf | Age: 24 | World No. 46 | Career-High No. 39 | 2023: 14-13 (Dallas SF) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)
- > Already ranked No. 272 when he turned pro in July 2019, then broke into Top 100 in August 2022 and achieved career-high No. 39 in February 2023.
- > Advanced to 1st ATP Tour SF and final of career at 2022 Florence after reaching US Open 3R as WC in both 2020 and 2022.
- > Upset No. 14 Tiafoe for biggest win of career and to reach 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2023 Dallas.
- > Defeated fellow American Mmoh to advance to 2023 Australian Open 4R, falling in 5 sets to countryman Shelton.
- > Owns 78-42 Challenger record overall, including 5-1 in finals and 21-7 with 2 titles in Columbus, where he played 3 seasons of college tennis for Ohio State University.

NOTE: Wolf owns a 2-0 record vs. Argentines on tour-level and aims to win his first ATP Tour match on grass (0-1).

[WC] Ryan Peniston (GBR) vs [Q] Marc-Andrea Huesler (SUI) Other Meetings 21 London / Queen's Club (Great Britain) Club (Great Britain) Grass Q1 Ryan Peniston 4-6 7-5 6-4 Hard R16 Ryan Peniston 7-6(1) 6-4

Ryan Peniston | Age: 27 | World No. 267 | Career-High No. 123 | 2023: 1-1 (Queen's Club 2R) | Event: 2-1 (2022 QF) > British left-hander earned a career-high No. 123 on the Pepperstone ATP Rankings in July 2022 soon after posting his first Grand Slam win at 2022 Wimbledon over Laaksonen in 1R (I. to Johnson in 2R).

- > Made ATP Tour debut as a WC at 2022 London / Queen's Club and defeated top seed and No. 5 Ruud in 1R for biggest win of career in straight sets and beat No. 46 Cerundolo in 2R to reach 1st ATP Tour QF.
- > Defeated 2 Top 50 players, No. 29 Rune and No. 49 Martinez to reach 2nd ATP Tour QF at 2022 Eastbourne a week after his tour-level debut.
- > Has a 57-59 Challenger record (10-11 in 2023), reaching 3 finals on clay at 2021 Prague III (I. to Agamenone), 2021 Antalya (I. to Borges) and 2022 Ostrava (I. to Furness) and a 103-67 career record with 4 hard court titles on ITF Tour.
- > Overcame childhood cancer at age 2 and donated his winning from his first ITF title to the hospital that treated him.
- > Played four years at University of Memphis from 2014-18 and one of the top players in school history along with Joe Salisbury.

NOTE: Peniston earned all 6 of his tour-level wins on grass and owns a 4-0 record in his tour-level opening rounds on the surface.

Marc-Andrea Huesler | Age: 27 | World No. 83 | Career-High No. 47 | 2023: 9-15 (4 times in 2R) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Swiss No. 1 broke into Top 100 at age 26 in July 2022, then achieved career-high No. 47 in February 2023
- > Boasts 78-59 Challenger record (5-1 in finals), including clay-court titles in 2022 at Mexico City and Aguascalientes.
- > Defeated 2021 champion Ivashka and 2021 finalist M. Ymer en route to 2022 Winston-Salem SF as Q
- > Qualified at Halle, Wimbledon, Bastad, Winston-Salem and ATP Masters 1000 Paris in 2022.
- > Beat #NextGenATP players Musetti in SF and Rune in final en route to 1st ATP Tour title at 2022 Sofia.

NOTE: Huesler aims to win 10+ tour-level matches in a single season for the second time in his career (2022 – 11).



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COURT 1

[8] Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) vs Wu Yibing (CHN) **Other Meeting**

First Tour-Level Meeting

18 Zhangjiagang CH (China)

QF Hard Miomir Kecmanovic

6-4 6-4

Miomir Kecmanovic | Age: 23 | World No. 41 | Career-High No. 27 | 2023: 15-17 (2 Finals) | Event: 0-0 (Debut) > Broke into Top 40 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Kitzbuhel and achieved career-high No. 27 in January

- > Earned personal-best 38 wins in 2022, reaching Australian Open 4R, Roland Garros 3R and Wimbledon 3R.
- > Reached 2 ATP Tour finals in 2023 before losing to Top 10 players in Delray Beach (I. to No. 7 Fritz) and Estoril (I. to No. 5 Ruud).
- > Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2019 Indian Wells as LL, 2022 Indian Wells and 2022 Miami, equaling biggest win of career in 2022 Indian Wells 4R vs. No. 6 Berrettini.
- > Beat Ruud and Davidovich Fokina to reach 2019 Next Gen ATP Finals SF (I. to eventual champion Sinner).
- > Defeated Tsitsipas in 3rd-set TB to win 2015 Orange Bowl junior title, then ended 2016 as World No. 1 junior ahead of No. 2 Tsitsipas.

NOTE: Kecmanovic is seeking his first grass court win of the season (0-2) and has a 9-11 tour-level record on the surface. He is looking to be the first Serbian to win the Eastbourne title since Novak Djokovic in 2017.

Wu Yibing | Age: 23 | World No. 59 | Career-High No. 54 | 2023: 11-10 (Dallas Title) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Rose from No. 1,869 in March 2022 to No. 54 in May 2023, becoming top-ranked Chinese player in Pepperstone ATP Rankings history after missing March 2019-January 2022 due to injuries.
- > Saved 4 championship points vs. Isner at 2023 Dallas following SF win over No. 8 Fritz, becoming 1st Chinese man to win an ATP Tour title, reach an ATP Tour final and earn a Top-10 win.
- > Qualified at 2022 US Open and became 1st Chinese man to reach US Open 3R in tournament history (since 1881). falling to World No. 1 and defending champion Medvedev.
- > Posted 40-7 record in main draw and qualifying matches across all levels in 2022, winning 3 ATP Challenger Tour titles and an ITF World Tenis Tour title in Orange Park, FL, USA.
- > Swept 2017 US Open boys' singles title and boys' doubles title w/Hsu to become World No. 1 junior, then won Shanghai Challenger title a week later as 496th-ranked WC.

NOTE: Wu won his first professional grass court match this year at Stuttgart by defeating last year's Wimbledon finalist Nick Kyrgios in 1R before losing to eventual semi-finalist Marton Fucsovics.

[Q] Luca Van Assche (FRA) vs [WC] George Loffhagen (GBR)

First Meeting

Luca Van Assche | Age: 19 | World No. 79 | Career-High: 69 | 2023: 3-7 (3 times in 2R) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Former junior world No. 1 entered Top 100 in April 2023 and achieved career high No. 69 in June 2023 after earning first career Grand Slam win at 2023 Roland Garros over former semi-finalist Cecchinato in 1R.
- > Made tour-level debut at 2022 Antwerp as a Q before earning first ATP Tour win at 2023 Estoril (d. P. Sousa).
- > Owns 49-26 Challenger record (15-4 in 2023), with titles at 2022 Maia, 2023 Pau and 2023 San Remo.
- > Defeated No. 72 Rinderknech at 2023 Pau CH SF for biggest career win before saving 2 championship points to defeat Humbert in the longest Challenger final in history (3 hours 56 minutes).
- > Posted 29-19 Challenger record in 2022 (1-3 in finals), going on a 19-6 run from late September to December, reaching finals of Lisbon, Brest and Valencia before winning first ATP Challenger title in Maia.
- > Defeated fellow countryman Fils to win the 2021 Roland Garros boys' singles title and ended junior career with a 79-27 record.

NOTE: Van Assche is currently ranked No. 6 in the Pepperstone ATP Live Next Gen Race and seeks his first tourlevel win on grass (0-0).

George Loffhagen | Age: 22 | World No. 367 | Career-High No. 364 | 2023: 0-0 | Event: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Achieved a career-high No. 364 in June 2023, less than a year after being unranked in August 2022.
- > Making his tour-level debut at 2023 Eastbourne as WC a week before making his Grand Slam debut as WC at 2023 Wimbledon.
- > Returned to ATP Challenger Tour after 5-year absence to record his first Challenger win over No. 131 Virtanen in 1R for biggest win of career at 2023 Nottingham CH before defeating No. 176 Shang to reach 1st Challenger QF.
- > Owns a 71-56 record on the ITF Tour (2-5 in finals), 24-9 in 2023, with titles at M25 Mysuru and M25 Nottingham, both on hard courts.



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NOTE: Loffhagen seeks biggest win of his career over No. 75 Van Assche (0-1 vs. Top 100 including Challengers) and first ATP Tour win in his tour-level debut.

COURT 2

Gregoire Barrere (FRA) vs Emil Ruusuvuori (FIN)

Ruusuvuori Leads 1-0

23 Roland Garros (France) Clay R128 Émil Ruusuvuori 6-2 6-7(7) 5-7 6-1 6-4

Other Meeting

20 Rotterdam (Netherlands) Hard Q2 Gregoire Barrere 7-5 7-5

COURT 5

Nuno Borges (POR) vs Sebastian Baez (ARG) First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meeting

20 M15 Monastir (Tunisia) Hard SF Nuno Borges 2-6 7-6(5) 6-2

Brandon Nakashima (USA) vs [Q] Aleksandar Vukic (AUS) First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meeting

21 Wimbledon (Great Britain) Grass Q1 Brandon Nakashima 6-1 6-1