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### NOVENTI OPEN TALKING POINTS

- **Andrey Rublev** seeks his fifth ATP 500 title and **Ugo Humbert** plays in the biggest final of his career when the former #NextGenATP players meet for the NOVENTI OPEN championship on Sunday. Rublev hopes to join three-time champion **Yevgeny Kafelnikov** as the second Russian to win the Halle title. Humbert would be the second Frenchman and second left-hander to win the Halle title alongside inaugural champion **Henri Leconte**.
- Humbert joins Leconte in 1993 as the second player in Halle's 28-year tournament history to reach the final with solely three-set victories. Leconte beat No. 1 seed and World No. 9 **Andrei Medvedev** 6-2 6-3 in the 1993 final.
- Players like Humbert, who won four of four matches in three sets en route to a final, are 0-12 in those finals since **Gilles Simon** of France won the 2008 Indianapolis title. Simon beat **Dmitry Tursunov** of Russia 6-4 6-4 in that final. **Martin Verkerk** is the last man to sweep five three-setters en route to a title at 2004 Amersfoort.

#### Ugo Humbert's Road to 2021 Halle Final

1R	Sam Querrey	4-6 7-6(4) 7-6(5)
2R	[3] Alexander Zverev	7-6(4) 3-6 6-3
QF	Sebastian Korda	6-2 6-7(5) 6-4
SF	Felix Auger-Aliassime	6-4 3-6 7-6(5)
F	[4] Andrey Rublev	Sunday

#### Henri Leconte at 1993 Halle (Inaugural Edition)

1R	Paul Haarhuis	6-7(5) 6-3 6-2
2R	Aaron Krickstein	4-6 6-3 6-2
QF	Richey Reneberg	6-2 3-6 7-6(8)
SF	[2] Petr Korda	6-3 4-6 7-5
F	[1] Andrei Medvedev	6-2 6-3

- Rublev, 23, vs. Humbert, 22, is the fourth-youngest Halle final in tournament history and the youngest since 21-year-old **Tomas Berdych** spoiled **Marcos Baghdatis'** 22nd birthday by winning the 2007 championship match.
- Rublev bids for an ATP Tour-best 75th win since the start of 2020. The World No. 7 is 29-2 at ATP 500 events since September with titles at Hamburg, St. Petersburg and Vienna last fall, as well as Rotterdam in March.

#### Andrey Rublev in Finals

ATP 250s	4-1
<b>ATP 500s</b>	4-1
ATP Masters 1000s	0-1
Nitto ATP Finals	0-0
Grand Slams	0-0

#### Most Wins on ATP Tour (2020-21)

1	<b>Andrey Rublev</b>	74
2T	Novak Djokovic	68
2T	Stefanos Tsitsipas	68
4	Alexander Zverev	52
5T	Daniil Medvedev	50
5T	Rafael Nadal	50

#### Most Wins by Frenchmen (2020-21)

1	<b>Ugo Humbert</b>	37
2T	Adrian Mannarino	20
2T	Corentin Moutet	20
4T	Richard Gasquet	18
4T	Pierre-Hugues Herbert	18
4T	Gael Monfils	18

2021 Halle Statistics	Ugo Humbert	[4] Andrey Rublev
Aces	37	27
1st-Serve Percentage	69% (284 of 410)	58% (148 of 256)
1st-Serve Points Won	76% (215 of 284)	77% (114 of 148)
2nd-Serve Points Won	51% (64 of 126)	67% (72 of 108)
Service Games Won	87% (54 of 62)	95% (42 of 44)
Break Points Saved	71% (20 of 28)	50% (2 of 4)
1st-Serve Return Points Won	26% (73 of 277)	28% (48 of 174)
2nd-Serve Return Points Won	49% (68 of 139)	57% (63 of 111)
Return Games Won	16% (10 of 63)	21% (9 of 42)
Break Points Converted	36% (10 of 28)	45% (9 of 20)

## ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES AND DOUBLES FINALS

### Ugo Humbert (FRA) vs [4] Andrey Rublev (RUS)

20 St. Petersburg (Russia)

Hard R16 Andrey Rublev

### Rublev Leads 1-0

4-6 6-4 7-5

#### Other Meeting

19 ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo Q

Clay Q2 Andrey Rublev

6-4 6-4

**Ugo Humbert** | Age: 22 | World No. 31 | Career-High No. 29 | 2021: 13-13 (Halle Final) | Halle: 4-0 (2021 Final)  
 > Ended 2020 in Top 30 after defeating No. 5 Medvedev en route to 1st ATP 500 QF at Hamburg and No. 6 Tsitsipas en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at Paris.  
 > Defeated countryman Paire in 3rd-set TB for 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Auckland as 21-year-old.  
 > Youngest Frenchman to win an ATP Tour title since Gasquet, 21, at 2007 Mumbai and 1st Frenchman to win Auckland title in tournament history (since 1956).  
 > Saved 4 MPs vs. Evans en route to 2nd ATP Tour title at 2020 Antwerp.  
 > Rallied from 2 sets down to defeat countryman Monfils en route to 2019 Wimbledon 4R.

**NOTES:** Humbert is 2-0 in ATP Tour finals with ATP 250 titles in 2020 at both Auckland (d. Paire) and Antwerp (d. de Minaur). He bids to become 1st player to win Halle title in tournament debut since Lleyton Hewitt in 2010 (d. Federer). Humbert is projected to rise to new career-high No. 26 as runner-up or No. 25 as champion in Monday's rankings.

**Andrey Rublev** | Age: 23 | World No. 7 | Career-High No. 7 | 2021: 33-9 (Rotterdam Title) | Halle: 6-1 (2021 Final)

> Broke into Top 20 in January 2020 and Top 10 in October 2020, then achieved career-high No. 7 in April 2021 following 1st ATP Masters 1000 final at Monte Carlo.  
 > Led ATP Tour with 5 titles and tied for tour-lead with 41 victories in 2020, sweeping Doha and Adelaide to become 1st player since Hrbaty in 2004 to win titles in opening 2 weeks of a season.  
 > Won 23 straight ATP 500 matches with 4 titles from 2020-21 and went 4-0 in singles for 2021 ATP Cup team title.  
 > Advanced to Grand Slam QFs at 2017 US Open, 2020 US Open, 2020 Roland Garros and 2021 Australian Open, becoming youngest US Open quarter-finalist at age 19 since Roddick, 19, in 2001.  
 > Earned biggest career wins over No. 3 Federer in 2019 Cincinnati 3R, No. 3 Thiem in 2020 Vienna QF, No. 3 Thiem in 2020 Nitto ATP Finals RR and No. 3 Nadal in 2021 Monte Carlo QF.

**NOTE:** Rublev hopes to join Yevgeny Kafelnikov (1997, 1998 and 2002 Halle) and Dmitry Tursunov (2009 Eastbourne and 2011 's-Hertogenbosch) as 3rd Russian man to win a tour-level championship on grass in Open Era (since 1968).

### Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN) / Hubert Hurkacz (POL) vs [3] Kevin Krawietz (GER) / Horia Tecau (ROU)

### First Meeting

> **Auger-Aliassime** and **Hurkacz** are No. 61 in FedEx ATP Doubles Team Rankings. In individual doubles rankings, Auger-Aliassime is No. 81 (career-high No. 77 in 2020) and Hurkacz is No. 73 (career-high No. 68 on 24 May).  
 > Auger-Aliassime defeated Hurkacz 6-3 7-5 in Halle singles 1R, then beat 10-time champion Federer en route to SF.  
 > In Halle doubles 1R, Canadian and Pole beat 2-time ATP Masters 1000 finalist Khachanov/Rublev 6-3 4-6 [10-5].  
 > Khachanov and Rublev also met in Halle singles 1R, with Rublev winning 6-3 7-6(5) en route to Sunday's final.  
 > Auger-Aliassime, 20, and Hurkacz, 24, are playing in 2nd doubles final both individually and as a team. They won 4 Match Tiebreaks en route to 2020 ATP Masters 1000 Paris title in 2nd tournament as a team (d. Pavic/Soares).  
 > Canadian and Pole own 12-6 record as a team since debuting at 2020 Rotterdam (6-5 in 2021, 6-1 in 2020).

> **Krawietz**, 29, and **Tecau**, 36, entered this week at No. 11 in FedEx ATP Doubles Team Rankings. In individual doubles rankings, Krawietz is No. 20 (career-high No. 7 in 2019) and Tecau is No. 23 (career-high No. 2 in 2015).  
 > Did not drop a set this week en route to final with wins over Brkic/Cacic, Molteni/Pella and [6] Gille/Vliegen.  
 > Playing 3rd ATP 500 final on 3rd surface, finishing as runners-up at Rotterdam (indoor hard) and Barcelona (clay).  
 > Joined forces at Rotterdam after Tecau split with Rojer and Krawietz' partner Mies underwent right knee surgery.  
 > German and Romanian own 15-6 record as a team, including run to Roland Garros QF earlier this month.  
 > Krawietz is 5-3 in tour-level doubles finals, highlighted by 2019 and 2020 Roland Garros titles w/Mies  
 > Tecau is 37-23 in tour-level doubles finals, highlighted by 2015 Wimbledon and 2017 US Open titles w/Rojer.