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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

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[WC] Dusan Lajovic (SRB) vs Jacob Fearnley (GBR)

First Meeting

Dusan Lajovic | Age: 34 | World No. 124 | Career-High No. 23 | 2025: 4-9 (4x 2R) | Geneva: 0-2 (2017, 2023 1R)
> Achieved career-high No. 23 after defeating future World No. 1 Medvedev to reach 1st ATP Tour singles final at 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo.
> Entered Monte-Carlo as World No. 48 and became lowest-ranked finalist at that event since No. 53 Aranzi in 2001.
> Captured 2nd title at 2023 Banja Luka by defeating over No. 1 Djokovic in QF for biggest win of career and No. 6 Rublev in final, becoming 1st player to post 2 Top 10 wins en route to clay ATP 250 title in series history (since 2009).
> Won 1st ATP Tour singles title at 2019 Umag, doubles title at 2015 Istanbul w/Albot and team title at 2020 ATP Cup as member of Team Serbia.
> Advanced to Grand Slam 4R on 2 occasions: 2014 Roland Garros and 2021 Australian Open.
> Qualified 16 times at ATP Masters 1000 events, including en route to 2018 Madrid QF.

NOTE: Lajovic enters an ATP Tour draw as a WC for fourth time in career, first outside Belgrade (2010-12). Playing in his 7th clay tour-level event of the season, Serbian No. 5 looks for third win after defeating No. 50 Carballes Baena in Buenos Aires 1R (l. to No. 2 Zverev in 2R) and No. 74 Nishioka in Rome 1R last week (l. to No. 3 Alcaraz in 2R).

Jacob Fearnley | Age: 23 | World No. 54 (Career-High) | 2025: 8-7 (Aus. Open, Madrid 3R) | Geneva: 0-0 (Debut)
> Unranked in July 2023, broke into Top 500 in June 2024, Top 200 in August 2024 and Top 100 in September 2024, before achieving career-high No. 54 in May 2025 after reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 3R in Madrid.
> Made ATP Tour debut at 2024 Eastbourne as WC (l. to B. Harris in 1R), then defeated Moro Canas at 2024 Wimbledon for 1st tour-level win (l. to 7-time champion Djokovic in 2R).
> Posted 27-3 (.900) Challenger record in 2024 with titles in Nottingham 2, Lincoln, Rennes and Orleans, owning highest win percentage in a season at Challenger level since 2011 (min. 25 matches played).
> Peaked at No. 27 in junior rankings, highlighted by wins over future World No. 1s Alcaraz in 2018 Sanxenxo Grade 2 final by 6-2 4-6 7-6(12) and Sinner in 2017 Malta ITF U18 Grade 4 1R.
> Spent five-years playing college tennis for Texas Christian University, former team of countryman Norrie, becoming four-time ITA All-American and helped his team clinch the national championship in his final year.

NOTE: Fearnley bids to be 1st Brit to record a main draw win in Geneva tournament history (also Norrie). After playing in first professional match on clay in Barcelona last month, he owns 4-3 record on the surface, reaching 2R of Barcelona, 3R of ATP Masters 1000 Madrid and 2R of ATP Masters 1000 Rome (3-0 in clay opening rounds).

Brits in Geneva Main Draw:

Player	Year	Result
Mark Cox	1980	l. to Popp in 1R
Andy Murray	2024	l. to Hanfmann in 1R
Jack Draper	2024	l. to Machac in 1R
Jacob Fearnley	2025	plays Lajovic
Cameron Norrie	2025	plays Stricker

Kei Nishikori (JPN) vs Learner Tien (USA)

First Meeting

Kei Nishikori | Age: 35 | World No. 62 | Career-High No. 4 | 2025: 9-8 (Hong Kong Final) | Geneva: 2-1 (2017 SF)
> Top Asian men's player in history, achieving career-high No. 4 in 2015.
> Earned biggest of 450 career wins over No. 1 Djokovic at 2014 US Open to become 1st Asian Grand Slam men's singles finalist.
> Captured 1st of 12 ATP Tour titles at 2008 Delray Beach as 18-year-old Q ranked 244th and remains youngest champion on tour since Hewitt, 16, at 1998 Adelaide.
> Six-time ATP 500 champion, four-time ATP Masters 1000 finalist, four-time Nitto ATP Finals qualifier and 2016 Rio Olympics bronze medallist.

> Owns highest winning percentage among active players in deciding sets (156-60, .722) and trails only behind Alcaraz and Djokovic for 3rd-highest winning percentage among active players in fifth sets (29-6, .784).

NOTE: Nishikori is making his second appearance in Geneva after his debut in 2017 as World No. 9, losing in SF to M. Zverev. He looks for biggest win by ranking on clay since defeating No. 25 Khachanov at 2021 Roland Garros and 2nd Top 100 win on the surface since then after defeating No. 83 Vukic in ATP Masters 1000 Madrid 1R last month.

Learner Tien | Age: 19 | World No. 67 | Career-High No. 66 | 2025: 7-10 (Acapulco QF) | Geneva: 0-0 (Debut)
> Broke into Top 200 in August 2024, Top 100 in January 2025 and achieved career-high No. 66 in March 2025 after defeating No. 2 Zverev for biggest win of career to reach his biggest ATP Tour QF in Acapulco.
> Upset No. 5 Medvedev en route to Australian Open 4R as Q to be youngest man to defeat a Top-5 player at that event in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973).
> Qualified for 2024 Next Gen ATP Finals, defeating Top-3 seeds, No. 1 Fils and No. 3 Mensik in RR and No. 2 Michelsen in SF to become 1st left-handed finalist in event history.
> Went on a 28-match winning streak from May to July 2024, capturing ITF Tour titles at M15 San Diego twice, M15 Rancho Santa Fe, M15 Lakewood and biggest title of career – 1st Challenger title in Bloomfield Hills.
> Received 2022 and 2023 US Open WCs after winning 2022 and 2023 USTA Boys' 18s National Championships and 2024 US Open WC by winning US Open Wild Card Challenge.
> Peaked at No. 4 in juniors, highlighted by runs to junior finals of 2023 Australian Open (l. to Blockx) and US Open (l. to Fonseca) and defeated Blockx/Fonseca to capture 2023 Australian Open boys' doubles title w/C. Williams.

NOTE: Tien bids to become youngest main draw winner in Geneva since 18-year-olds Cazaux and Stricker in 2021. Last week in Rome, he defeated countryman Opelka for 1st ATP Tour win on clay of career (l. to Machac in 2R).

Teenage Main Draw Winners in Geneva This Century: At 19 years and 5 months, Tien attempts to join the list.

Player	Age	Year	Wins	End Result
Andrey Rublev	17 years 6 months	2015	d. Nieminen	2R (l. to Cilic)
Arthur Cazaux	18 years 8 months	2021	d. Mannarino	2R (l. to P. Cuevas)
Dominic Stricker	18 years 8 months	2021	d. Cilic, Fucsovics	QF (l. to Andujar)
Alex Michelsen	19 years 8 months	2024	d. Kovacevic, Fritz	QF (l. to Machac)

[8] Matteo Arnaldi (ITA) vs Hugo Gaston (FRA)

First Meeting

Matteo Arnaldi | Age: 24 | World No. 39 | Career-High No. 30 | 2025: 12-11 (Delray Beach SF) | Geneva: 0-0 (Debut)
> Broke into Top 500 in September 2021, Top 200 in August 2022 and Top 100 in May 2023, achieving career-high No. 30 in August 2024 after advancing to 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF in Montreal.
> Reached 1st ATP Tour QF and SF at 2023 Umag and 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2023 US Open.
> Qualified to reach 3R at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid, defeating No. 4 Ruud for biggest win of career (l. to Munar), a week after earning 1st ATP Tour win in Barcelona (d. Munar).
> Owns 59-39 Challenger record (4-2 in finals), highlighted by 1st title on home soil at Francavilla al Mare.
> Peaked at No. 22 in juniors, posting 80-42 singles record (3 titles) and 34-35 doubles record (2 titles).

NOTE: Arnaldi is playing in 4th clay tournament of the season (4-4), earning all 4 wins en route to ATP Masters 1000 Madrid QF, including win over No. 5 Djokovic in 2R. He is 11-2 after winning 1st set this year and owns a 0-3 tour-level record vs. left-handers on clay compared to 7-1 on other surfaces.

Hugo Gaston | Age: 24 | World No. 74 | Career-High No. 58 | 2025: 4-9 (4 times in 2R) | Geneva: 0-0 (Debut)
> Broke into Top 100 after reaching 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Paris QF as Q, then achieved career-high No. 58 in July 2022.
> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF, SF and final at 2021 Gstaad as World No. 155 and competed at Next Gen ATP Finals to end season.
> Saved 2 MPs to beat defending champion No. 18 Baez at 2024 Kitzbuhel en route to 2nd ATP Tour final.
> At 2020 Roland Garros, became 1st Frenchman to reach 4R in tournament debut since Dominguez in 1971, defeating 2015 champion Wawrinka in 5 sets before falling in 5 sets to 2-time finalist Thiem.
> As 239th-ranked WC, became lowest-ranked player to reach Grand Slam 4R since No. 248 Canas at 2004 Australian Open and Roland Garros 4R since No. 283 Di Pasquale in 2002.
> Ended 2018 as World No. 2 junior after winning gold medal in boys' singles and bronze medal in both boys' doubles and mixed doubles at Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Gaston seeks first Top 50 win since defeating No. 9 de Minaur for biggest win of career in Antwerp QF last October (1-4 vs. Top 10). He owns 1-13 record vs. Italians on tour-level, lone win over Darderi in Indian Wells 1R earlier this year (0-5 on clay).

[Q] Cameron Norrie (GBR) vs [WC] Dominic Stricker (SUI)

First Meeting

Cameron Norrie | Age: 29 | World No. 90 | Career-High No. 8 | 2025: 10-11 (2 QFs) | Geneva: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Broke into Top 10 in April 2022 and achieved career-high No. 8 in September 2022, joining Henman, Murray and Rusedski as 4th Top-10 British man in history.
- > Advanced to 13 ATP Tour finals from May 2021-February 2023, highlighted by 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells title to become 1st British champion in 46-year tournament history.
- > Reached Grand Slam 4R, QF and SF for 1st time at 2022 Wimbledon, falling to eventual champion Djokovic in 4 sets.
- > Earned 52 wins in 2021 and 49 wins in 2022 before beating No. 2 Nadal at 2023 United Cup and No. 2 Alcaraz in 2023 Rio de Janeiro final for biggest wins of career.
- > Born in South Africa to a Scottish father and Welsh mother, grew up in New Zealand, became No. 1 collegiate player in USA at Texas Christian University, and has represented Great Britain since 2013.

NOTE: Norrie is playing in Switzerland for the first time and defeated Kirkin in Q1 and Houston champion Brooksby in Q2 to qualify for his Geneva debut. British No. 3 is 0-3 vs. Swiss players in career (0-2 vs. Wawrinka, 0-1 vs. Federer). He won 2 of his 5 ATP Tour titles on clay, 2022 Lyon in this calendar week and 2023 Rio (d. No. 2 Alcaraz in final).

Dominic Stricker | Age: 22 | World No. 233 | Career-High No. 88 | 2025: 0-4 | Geneva: 2-1 (2021 QF)

- > After ending 2020 as World No. 3 junior, achieved career-high No. 88 in October 2023 after defeating No. 7 Tsitsipas for biggest win of career en route to 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2023 US Open.
- > Qualified for Next Gen ATP Finals in 2022 and 2023, falling in SFs to Lehecka and Medjedovic.
- > Advanced to QFs in ATP Tour debut at 2021 Geneva and 2nd ATP Tour main draw at 2021 Stuttgart.
- > Beat Cressy in 2022 Basel 1R as 20-year-old WC to become youngest Swiss to earn a win in Basel since Federer, 19, in 2000 and No. 8 Ruud in 2023 2R to be youngest Swiss quarter-finalist in Basel since Federer, 20, in 2001.
- > Captured 1st Challenger title in 2nd Challenger appearance at 2021 Lugano as WC.
- > Defeated Riedi in 1st All-Swiss Grand Slam boys' singles final at 2020 Roland Garros before teaming w/Cobolli to win boys' doubles title, becoming 1st player to sweep those titles since Gonzalez in 1998.

NOTE: Stricker is the only Swiss man in the main draw, seeking 1st ATP Tour win since defeating No. 35 Griekspoor in Basel 1R last October and 1st on clay since defeating Fils at 2023 Gstaad. Made ATP Tour debut at 2021 Geneva, defeating 2016 finalist Cilic in 1R and 2018 champion Fucsovics in 2R, his only prior appearance at the event.

Marton Fucsovics (HUN) vs Zizou Bergs (BEL)

First Meeting

Marton Fucsovics | Age: 33 | World No. 134 | Career-High No. 31 | 2025: 5-2 (Bucharest SF) | Geneva: 6-2 (2018 Title)

- > Achieved career-high No. 31 in 2019 and became highest-ranked Hungarian since No. 29 Taroczy in 1983.
- > Defeated 2-time defending champion Wawrinka en route to 1st ATP Tour title at 2018 Geneva, becoming 1st Hungarian champion since Taroczy at 1982 Hilversum and won 2nd title at 2024 Bucharest.
- > Rallied for 5-set win over No. 7 Rublev at 2021 Wimbledon to become 1st men's quarter-finalist from Hungary at that event since Asboth in 1948.
- > Advanced to Grand Slam 4R on 3 other occasions, beating No. 5 Medvedev en route to 2020 Roland Garros 4R and to end 0-14 start to career vs. Top 10.
- > Became World No. 1 junior after capturing 2010 Wimbledon boys' singles title without dropping a set.

NOTE: Fucsovics is the only former champion remaining in the draw (Jarry lost in 1R) and is playing in his fourth Geneva draw after winning his 1st ATP Tour title in 2018, followed by 2019 2R (1R bye) and 2021 2R. He looks for first Top 50 win since defeating No. 25 Griekspoor and No. 41 Tabilo en route to 2024 Bucharest title in April.

Zizou Bergs | Age: 25 | World No. 49 (Career-High) | 2025: 17-10 (Auckland Final) | Geneva: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Former World No. 12 junior broke into Top 200 in July 2021, Top 100 in June 2024 and achieved career-high No. 49 in May 2025 after reaching 1st ATP Tour final in Auckland as Q earlier in the season.
- > Advanced to 2024 Roland Garros 3R as Q and upset No. 9 Rublev for biggest win of career to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 3R at 2025 Miami.
- > Defeated Ramos-Vinolas for 1st ATP Tour win at 2020 Antwerp as 528th-ranked WC and advanced to ATP Tour QFs at 2023 Gstaad as Q, 2024 Antwerp and 2024 Metz.
- > Earned 2022 Wimbledon WC after defeating former World No. 8 Sock for 2022 Ilkley Challenger title as Q.
- > Also won Challenger titles at 2021 St. Petersburg-1 as Q, 2021 Lille as Q, 2021 Almaty, 2023 & 2024 Tallahassee, 2023 Drummondville and 2023 Yokkaichi.

NOTE: Bergs attempts to record personal-best 18th win of the season (17-18 in 2024). 25-year-old also bids to be first Belgian match winner in Geneva since Masso in 1991 (d. Gunnarsson in 1R). He owns 12-0 record on tour-level vs. players ranked outside Top 100 since losing to No. 305 Nadal in Rome 1R last year (22-1 across all levels).

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[Q] Sebastian Ofner (AUT) vs [Q] Ivan Gakhov

Other Meeting

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Jaume Munar (ESP) vs Quentin Halys (FRA)

Other Meeting

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First Tour-Level Meeting

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