



2024 ROLAND GARROS



Wheelchair Tournament Preview

In 2007, the first wheelchair events were held at Roland Garros, with men’s and women’s singles and doubles tournaments all taking place. The quad singles and doubles tournaments began in 2019. This is the 18th edition of the Roland Garros wheelchair tournament overall and the 6th edition of the Roland Garros quad wheelchair tournaments.

2024 Roland Garros is the 123rd edition of the French championships overall, which began in 1891 as a closed championship reserved for national players or players enrolled in French clubs, and the 94th tournament since the event became international in 1925. This is the 91st time that the tournament has been held at Roland Garros, which was built for the Davis Cup Final between France and USA in 1928.

All three wheelchair singles draws remain the same size as in 2023. The men’s and women’s wheelchair singles events were expanded for the 2023 tournament, with 16 players competing in both events (up from 12 players in 2022 and from 8 players in 2021). The quad wheelchair singles event expanded to 8 players (from 4) in 2022.

INAUGURAL RECIPIENTS OF WHEELCHAIR TENNIS GRANTS THROUGH GSPDP

Grand Slam Tennis, representing the four Grand Slam tournaments, announced on Monday 3 June the establishment of a Wheelchair Tennis pilot as part of the Grand Slam Player Development Programme (GSPDP).

The pilot will see 10 promising Wheelchair Tennis players from around the world and across the sport’s classes awarded grants to contribute to competition-related costs during the remainder of the 2024 season.

Administered by the ITF on behalf of the Grand Slams, the GSPDP has contributed more than US\$60 million to international tennis development since its inception in 1986. The programme helps increase competitive opportunities and pathways for talented players from developing tennis nations and regions, ensuring they can gain experience at an international level.

The following Wheelchair Tennis players will receive grants as a contribution towards their competition-related costs for the 2024 season:

Category	Players
Men’s	Sergei Lysov (ISR), Alwande Sikhosana (RSA)
Women’s	Guo Luoyao (CHN), Natalia Lanucha (CAN), Li Xiaohui (CHN)
Quad	Joao Lucas Dutra Takaki (BRA)
Junior Boys	Maximilian Taucher (AUT)
Junior Girls	Vitoria Miranda Dias Anatolio (BRA), Luna Gryp (BEL), Ailina Mosko (LAT)

DE GROOT BIDS FOR FOURTEENTH STRAIGHT SLAM TITLE

Diede de Groot is bidding to win her 14th consecutive Grand Slam title. After recording Grand Slam-winning seasons in 2021 and 2022, becoming the first tennis player, in any discipline, to win the Grand Slam in back-to-back years, she recorded a third consecutive Grand Slam-winning season in 2023, and winning her 13th major title in-a-row at the Australian Open. She is the 3-time defending champion here and a 4-time Roland Garros singles champion overall.

De Groot is bidding to extend her lead in first place on the all-time list for longest Grand Slam wheelchair singles title-winning streak. She equalled Esther Vergeer by winning 2023 Wimbledon, equalled Shingo Kunieda by winning the 2023 US Open, and overtook Kunieda by winning the Australian Open in January. Her last defeat at a Grand Slam came in the semifinals at 2020 Roland Garros, when she fell to Momoko Ohtani in straight sets.

Longest Grand Slam wheelchair singles title-winning streaks		
Player	Length of streak	Years
Diede de Groot	14??	2021-23??
Shingo Kunieda	12	2007-11
Esther Vergeer	11	2005-10
Esther Vergeer	7	2010-12
Shingo Kunieda	6	2014-15
Dylan Alcott	5	2018-19
Dylan Alcott	5	2020-21
Peter Norfolk	5	2007-10

Note: 2017 was the first season when all four Grand Slam tournaments held men's and women's wheelchair singles events. The quad wheelchair singles events have been held at all four Grand Slam tournaments since 2019.

DE GROOT LOOKS TO PUT STREAK BEHIND HER

De Groot recently suffered her first singles defeat since February 2021. The world No. 1 was on a 145-match winning streak before falling to Li Xiaohui 6-3 6-2 as China, P.R. defeated Netherlands 2-0 in the women's final of the World Team Cup last month. Prior to the loss, De Groot's last defeat came against Yui Kamiji in the final at the 2021 Melbourne Wheelchair Open.

Vergeer holds the record for the longest winning streak in the sport, having ended her career on a 470-match winning streak.

DE GROOT AND KAMIJI AIM FOR FIFTH ROLAND GARROS CROWNS

Both De Groot and Yui Kamiji are bidding to win their 5th Roland Garros titles this year. Only Kunieda and Vergeer have won 5 or more singles titles at Roland Garros.

Kamiji won her first title here in 2014, when she defeated Aniek van Koot in the final, before winning back-to-back titles in 2017 and 2018, defeating Sabine Ellerbrock in 2017 and de Groot in 2018, and winning most recently in 2020, defeating compatriot Momoko Ohtani in the final. De Groot won the title here in 2019 before winning 3 consecutive titles in 2021, 2022 and 2023, defeating Kamiji in the final on all 4 occasions.

Most Roland Garros wheelchair singles titles (all categories)	
Player	Roland Garros singles titles
Shingo Kunieda	8
Esther Vergeer	6
Yui Kamiji	4
Diede de Groot	4
Dylan Alcott	3
Alfie Hewett	3

ODA CONTINUES JOURNEY TO BECOME JAPAN'S NEXT TENNIS GREAT

Tokito Oda, the No. 2 seed in the men's draw, has taken the torch from Kunieda and begun his own quest to dominate the men's wheelchair category. Kunieda retired in January 2023 having won a total of 50 Grand Slam titles across singles and doubles.

Since then, Oda has won 3 of the 4 Grand Slam singles titles available, at Roland Garros and Wimbledon last year, and at the Australian Open this year. His first Grand Slam triumph, at 2023 Roland Garros, saw Oda become the 2nd Japanese man (after Kunieda) to win a Grand Slam wheelchair singles title, and the 4th Japanese player to do so – after Kunieda (28 Grand Slam singles titles), Kamiji (8) and Mie Yaosa (one). This year's Roland Garros is his first time defending a Grand Slam singles title.

VINK GOES FOR 3-PEAT

In 2022, Niels Vink became just the 2nd player to win the Roland Garros quad wheelchair singles title since the event was introduced in 2019. Dylan Alcott had won the first 3 editions of the event but retired after the 2022 Australian Open. Vink defeated Schroder in the final here in 2022 to win his first Grand Slam singles title, and defeated Schroder again here in 2023 to win his 3rd.

The rivalry between Vink and Schroder has dominated the quad division since Alcott's retirement at the 2022 Australian Open, with the pair winning all 8 of the Grand Slam titles since then, and competing against each other in 6 of the 8 Grand Slam finals in that time. Both men have won 4 Grand Slam singles titles since the 2022 Australian Open, with Schroder winning 2 previous Grand Slam singles titles at the 2020 US Open and the 2022 Australian Open.

Grand Slam wheelchair quad singles finals since the 2022 Australia Open

Year	Australian Open	Roland Garros	Wimbledon	US Open
2022	Schroder d. Alcott	Vink d. Schroder	Schroder d. Vink	Vink d. Schroder
2023	Schroder d. Vink	Vink d. Schroder	Vink d. Davidson	Schroder d. Vink
2024	Schroder d. Sasson	???	???	???

SCHRODER BIDS TO COMPLETE CAREER GRAND SLAM

Schroder is bidding to win his first Roland Garros title and become just the 4th wheelchair tennis player to win the Grand Slam in singles – after Alcott, De Groot and Kunieda. He has finished runner-up here the last 3 years, to Alcott in 2021, and Vink in 2022 and 2023.

Players to have won the Grand Slam in wheelchair singles

Player	Australian Open titles	Roland Garros titles	Wimbledon titles	US Open titles
Dylan Alcott	7	3	2	3
Diede de Groot	6	4	5	6
Shingo Kunieda	11	8	1	8
Sam Schroder??	3	1??	1	2

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HEWETT AND FERNANDEZ LEAD ACTIVE PLAYERS

Kunieda enjoys a healthy lead at the top of the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair singles titles (in any category), having retired with 28 Grand Slam titles to his name.

Hewett claimed sole ownership of 2nd place on the list for most Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles titles by winning his 6th major title at the 2022 US Open and extended his lead over Fernandez with victory at both the Australian Open and US Open last year. Stephane Houdet will look to equal Fernandez in 3rd place on the list by winning his 5th Grand Slam singles title, while Tokito Oda will look to equal Houdet in 4th place on the list by winning his 4th Grand Slam singles title. Should 2-time Grand Slam champions Joachim Gerard or Gordon Reid win the title here this year, they will equal Oda, Robin Ammerlaan and David Hall in 5th place on the list.

Most Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles titles

Player	Grand Slam singles titles
Shingo Kunieda	28
Alfie Hewett	8
Gustavo Fernandez	5
Stephane Houdet	4
Tokito Oda	3
Robin Ammerlaan	3
David Hall	3

Players competing at 2024 Roland Garros in **bold**

DE GROOT BIDS TO OVERTAKE VERGEER

De Groot's 13th consecutive Grand Slam singles title at the Australian Open in January saw her equal compatriot Esther Vergeer in 1st place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles, with 21 each.

The 2 other former Roland Garros champions in the draw, Kamiji and Jiske Griffioen, are in 3rd and 4th place on the list, respectively, for most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles.

Most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles

Player	Grand Slam singles titles
Esther Vergeer	21
Diede de Groot	21
Yui Kamiji	8
Jiske Griffioen	4
Aniek van Koot	3

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THE RACE TO CATCH ALCOTT

Alcott retired having won a total of 15 Grand Slam quad wheelchair singles titles – comfortably ahead of Peter Norfolk and Wagner's tallies of 6 major titles each.

Wagner and Schroder will bid to win a 7th Grand Slam title and claim sole ownership of 2nd place on the list here. Vink aims for his 5th Grand Slam title, while a title-victory for Andy Lapthorne here would see him claim his 3rd.

Most Grand Slam quad wheelchair singles titles

Player	Grand Slam singles titles
Dylan Alcott	15
Peter Norfolk	6
David Wagner	6
Sam Schroder	6
Niels Vink	4
Andy Lapthorne	2

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HOME FAVOURITES

Roland Garros has gone the longest of the four Grand Slam tournaments without a home champion in a wheelchair singles event. Houdet, who won the men's singles title here in 2012 and 2013, is the only French player to have won a Roland Garros wheelchair singles title.

Most-recent home wheelchair singles champions

Grand Slam	Most-recent home wheelchair' singles champion
Australian Open	Dylan Alcott (2021)
Roland Garros	Stephane Houdet (2013)
Wimbledon	Gordon Reid (2016)
US Open	David Wagner (2017)

There are 5 French players competing in the wheelchair tournament here this year – Houdet, Frederic Catteneo, and Guilhem Laget in the men's singles and Pauline Deroulede and Emmanuelle Morch in the women's singles.

GRAND SLAM PREPARATION

Many of the field competing at Roland Garros this week have played at the Internazionali BNL D'Italia in Rome, the TRAM Barcelona Open and the Open International de Royan in the last 3 weeks. The tournaments are the highest-level clay court events prior to Roland Garros on the UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour, at ITF 1 Series.

Notably, Internazionali BNL D'Italia returns for the first time since 2019, and staged a women's draw for the first time, previously only being a men's event from 2010 to 2019. The tournament has also been upgraded from an ITF 2 Series event to an ITF 1 Series event.

Internazionali BNL D'Italia (17-19 May) – final results

Event	Champion	Runner-up
Men's singles	Alfie Hewett	Gustavo Fernandez
Women's singles	Diede de Groot	Angelica Bernal

*Not competing at 2024 Roland Garros

TRAM Barcelona Open (22-26 May) – final results

Event	Champion	Runner-up
Men's singles	Gustavo Fernandez	Martin de la Puente
Women's singles	Diede de Groot	Yui Kamiji
Quad singles	Guy Sasson	Leandro Pena*

*Not competing at 2024 Roland Garros

Open International de Royan (28 May- 1 Jun) – final results

Event	Champion	Runner-up
Men's singles	Martin de la Puente	Gustavo Fernandez
Women's singles	Wang Ziyang	Momoko Ohtani
Quad singles	Ahmet Kaplan*	Robert Shaw

*Not competing at 2024 Roland Garros

The highest-level of tournament on the UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour below the Grand Slams is the ITF Super Series events. Three ITF Super Series tournaments have taken place in 2024 so far, with Oda, de Groot and Schroder winning 2 events in the men's, women's and quad divisions, respectively. Hewett, Kamiji, and Vink won one event each in the men's, women's and quad divisions, respectively.

2024 ITF Super Series champions

Tournament	Surface	Date	Singles champions
Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS)	Hard	14-19 Jan	Men's: Tokito Oda Women's: Diede de Groot Quad: Sam Schroder
Cajun Classic (USA)	Hard	5-10 Mar	Men's: Alfie Hewett Women's: Diede de Groot Quad: Sam Schroder
Japan Open (JPN)	Hard	9-14 Apr	Men's: Tokito Oda Women's: Yui Kamiji Quad: Niels Vink
French Riviera Open (FRA)	Clay	11-16 Jun	Men's: ??? Women's: ??? Quad: ???

2024 LEADERS

Hewett and Kamiji are at the top of the lists in the men's and women's categories, respectively, for most match-wins during the 2024 season, while Australia's Heath Davidson leads the tour for most match-wins in the quad category.

2024 men's wheelchair singles win-loss (ITF 2 Series and above)

Rank	Player	2024 win-loss
1.	Alfie Hewett	34-3
2.	Martin de la Puente	31-12
3.	Casey Ratzlaff	26-16
4.	Tom Egberink	23-8
5.	Daniel Caverzaschi*	22-9

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2024 women's wheelchair singles win-loss (ITF 2 Series and above)

Rank	Player	2024 win-loss
1.	Yui Kamiji	32-3
2.	Aniek van Koot	24-11
3.	Kgothatso Montjane	22-9
4=	Angelica Bernal	21-7
	Diede de Groot	21-1
	Manami Tanaka	21-12

2024 quad wheelchair singles win-loss (ITF 2 Series and above)

Rank	Player	2024 win-loss
1.	Heath Davidson	29-10
2.	Ahmet Kaplan*	24-9
3.	Diego Perez*	23-11
4.	Guy Sasson	20-4
5.	Andy Lapthorne	18-9

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ROLAND GARROS DEBUTANTS

There are 4 players making their Roland Garros debuts this year – none in the men's event, 3 players in the women's event (Lizzy De Greef, Li Xiaohui, and Wang Ziying), and one player in the quad event (Guy Sasson). Wang Ziying is making her Grand Slam debut at Roland Garros, while all 39 other players competing in the wheelchair events here have previously contested at least one Grand Slam tournament.

YOUNGEST AND OLDEST

At just 18 years 32 days, Oda is the youngest player to compete in the wheelchair event here this year – he is more than 35 years younger than the oldest player, Stephane Houdet (53 years 201 days).

Youngest and oldest players in Roland Garros wheelchair events

Event	Youngest player (age)	Oldest player (age)
Men's singles	Tokito Oda (18 years 32 days)	Stephane Houdet (53 years 201 days)
Women's singles	Lizzy De Greef (20 years 63 days)	Lucy Shuker (44 years 12 days)
Quad singles	Niels Vink (21 years 185 days)	David Wagner (50 years 97 days)

Note: ages calculated on final day of the tournament

LEFTHANDERS

There are 9 lefthanders in the wheelchair singles draws at Roland Garros this year – 3 in the men's event (Oda, Gordon Reid and Guilhem Laget), 4 in the women's event (Kamiji, Kgothatso Montjane, Van Koot and Zhu Zhenzhen) and 2 in the quad event (Lapthorne and Schroder). Four-time women's singles champion Kamiji and 2023 men's singles champion Tokito Oda are the only lefthanded players to have won a wheelchair singles title at Roland Garros.

WILD CARDS

French players received 4 of the 5 available wild cards – Cattaneo and Laget in the men's event and Derouledé and Morch in the women's event. The wild card in the quad event went to Canada's Robert Shaw.

COUNTRY COUNTDOWN

A total of 15 countries are represented in the wheelchair singles draws at 2024 Roland Garros, with Netherlands, Japan and France jointly having the most players competing in the men's events, and Netherlands having the most players competing in the women's events, quad events, and across the 3 events overall.

Nation	Men's singles	Women's singles	Quad singles	Total
Netherlands	3	4	2	9
Japan	3	3	0	6
France	3	2	0	5
Great Britain	2	1	1	4
China, P.R.	0	3	0	3
USA	1	1	1	3
South Africa	0	1	1	2
Argentina	1	0	0	1
Australia	0	0	1	1
Belgium	1	0	0	1
Canada	0	0	1	1
Chile	1	0	0	1
Colombia	0	1	0	1
Israel	0	0	1	1
Spain	1	0	0	1

FORGING FUTURE STARS

After the US Open became the first Grand Slam to introduce a junior wheelchair category in 2022, Roland Garros is joining them this year. There will be a wheelchair boys' and girls' singles and doubles draws at 2024 Roland Garros, with 8 players in each singles draw and 4 teams in each doubles draw.

ROLAND GARROS HONOUR ROLL

There have been 6 Roland Garros men's wheelchair singles champions and 6 Roland Garros women's wheelchair singles champions since those tournaments were established in 2007. Alcott won the first 3 editions of the quad wheelchair singles event, before Vink won the title in 2022 and 2023. Of the 14 players to have won a wheelchair singles title here, 9 have won the title on multiple occasions.

Year	Men's singles champion	Women's singles champion	Honour roll Quad singles champion	Boys' singles champion	Girls' singles champion
2007	Shingo Kunieda	Esther Vergeer	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2008	Shingo Kunieda	Esther Vergeer	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2009	Shingo Kunieda	Esther Vergeer	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2010	Shingo Kunieda	Esther Vergeer	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2011	Maikel Scheffers	Esther Vergeer	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2012	Stephane Houdet	Esther Vergeer	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2013	Stephane Houdet	Sabine Ellerbrock	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2014	Shingo Kunieda	Yui Kamiji	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2015	Shingo Kunieda	Jiske Griffioen	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2016	Gustavo Fernandez	Marjolein Buis	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2017	Alfie Hewett	Yui Kamiji	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2018	Shingo Kunieda	Yui Kamiji	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament
2019	Gustavo Fernandez	Diede de Groot	Dylan Alcott	no tournament	no tournament
2020	Alfie Hewett	Yui Kamiji	Dylan Alcott	no tournament	no tournament
2021	Alfie Hewett	Diede de Groot	Dylan Alcott	no tournament	no tournament
2022	Shingo Kunieda	Diede de Groot	Niels Vink	no tournament	no tournament
2023	Tokito Oda	Diede de Groot	Niels Vink	no tournament	no tournament
2024	???	???	???	???	???