

2024 WIMBLEDON THE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Wheelchair Tournament Preview

In 2016, the first wheelchair singles events were held at Wimbledon, with men's and women's singles tournaments both taking place for the first time. A men's wheelchair doubles event had been held at Wimbledon since 2005, and a women's wheelchair doubles event had been added in 2009. The quad singles and doubles tournaments began in 2019. This is the 8th edition of the Wimbledon men's and women's wheelchair singles events and the 5th edition of the Wimbledon quad wheelchair singles event. 2024 Wimbledon is the 137th staging of the Championships overall.

This will be the 3rd edition of the Championships to feature a tiebreak to 10 points when the score reaches 6-6 in the final set. Prior to 2022, the wheelchair singles events here had been played as best-of-3-tiebreak sets, with a tiebreak to 7 points in the final set.

For the first time this year, the men's and women's wheelchair singles draws are expanding from eight players to 16. The quad wheelchair singles draw remains at eight players. The wheelchair tournament has been expanded by an extra day for 2024, with the opening round of singles matches taking place from Tuesday 9 July.

DE GROOT BIDS FOR 15TH STRAIGHT SLAM TITLE

Diede de Groot is bidding to win her 15th consecutive Grand Slam title and extend her all-time record for longest streak of Grand Slam singles titles. She claimed sole ownership of the record by winning her 13th consecutive major title at the 2023 US Open, overtaking Shingo Kunieda.

De Groot recorded 3 consecutive Grand Slam-winning seasons in 2021, 2022 and 2023 (becoming the first tennis player, in any discipline, to win the Grand Slam in back-to-back years, and then in 3 consecutive years) and has won her 13th and 14th major titles in-a-row at the Australian Open at Roland Garros this year.

De Groot's 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	15??	2021-24
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

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49 CONSECUTIVE GRAND SLAM VICTORIES FOR DE GROOT?

De Groot enters Wimbledon on a 48-match winning streak at Grand Slams – the 2nd longest winning streak in the sport's history, only behind Esther Vergeer's streak of 65 achieved from 2002-12. If she defeats Momoko Ohtani in the 1st round on Tuesday and wins her quarterfinal match, she will become just the 2nd wheelchair player to win 50 or more consecutive Grand Slam singles matches.

Player	Length of streak	Years
Esther Vergeer	65	2002-12
Diede de Groot	49??	2021-24
Shingo Kunieda	38	2007-11
Shingo Kunieda	18	2014-15
Dylan Alcott	17	2018-19

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Vergeer retired with a perfect 65-0 win-loss record in Grand Slam singles, winning all 21 events she contested from the 2002 Australian Open to 2012 Roland Garros, but not contesting the Australian Open in 2005 or 2010.

DE GROOT LEADS THE WAY AT WIMBLEDON

Twelve players have won a Wimbledon wheelchair singles title, with De Groot leading the way with 5 previous singles title-victories here. De Groot is also the only active player to have won multiple Wimbledon singles titles, following the retirements of Dylan Alcott and Stefan Olsson.

Gustavo Fernandez, Joachim Gerard, Jiske Griffioen, Tokito Oda, Gordon Reid, Sam Schroder, Aniek van Koot and Niels Vink are all bidding to become 2-time Wimbledon singles champions this year.

Most wimpledon wheelchair singles titles (all categories)		
Player	Wimbledon singles titles	
Diede de Groot	5	
Dylan Alcott	2	
Stefan Olsson	2	
Gustavo Fernandez	1	
Joachim Gerard	1	
Jiske Griffioen	1	
Shingo Kunieda	1	
Tokito Oda	1	
Gordon Reid	1	
Sam Schroder	1	
Aniek van Koot	1	
Niels Vink	1	

Most Wimbledon wheelchair singles titles (all categories)

Players at 2024 Wimbledon in bold

HEWETT AND KAMIJI AIM FOR CAREER SLAM

Hewett and Yui Kamiji reached their first Wimbledon singles finals in 2022, with Hewett reaching the final again last year – and both will bid to go one better here this year. Should either of them do so, they would join Alcott, De Groot and Kunieda as the only players to have completed the career Grand Slam in wheelchair singles.

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
Alfie Hewett??	1	3	1??	4
Yui Kamiji??	2	4	1??	2
Shingo Kunieda	11	8	1	8

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ODA BIDS FOR PARIS-LONDON DOUBLE-DOUBLE

18-year-old Tokito Oda successfully defended a Grand Slam title on his first attempt to do so, winning his 2nd consecutive Roland Garros singles title last month – and he will aim to repeat the feat at Wimbledon.

By winning the title here last year, Oda became the 3rd player to win the men's wheelchair singles titles at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon in the same year – after Fernandez in 2019 and Kunieda in 2022. He aims to become the first to achieve the feat twice by winning the title here again this year.

SASSON DISRUPTS DUTCH DOMINANCE IN QUAD DIVISION

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 from then until 2024 Roland Garros, 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.

However, Guy Sasson, who made his Grand Slam debut at the US Open last year, has disrupted that dominance. He has reached his first Grand Slam singles final at the Australian Open, falling to Schroder, before winning his first Grand Slam singles title by defeating Schroder in the singles final at Roland Garros.

At Wimbledon this year, Vink will bid to become the 2nd player to retain a Wimbledon quad wheelchair singles title – after Alcott, who won the titles at the first 2 quad singles events here in 2019 and 2021.

Should Sasson (or any other player in the quad singles draw other than Schroder or Vink) win the title here this year, they will become the 4th quad player to win a Wimbledon singles title.

Grand Slam wheelchair quad singles finals since the 2022 Australian Open

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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	Sasson d. Schroder	???	???

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 the Australian Open and the US Open last year. Should 4-time Grand Slam champions Oda or Houdet win the title here this year, they will equal Fernandez in 3rd place on the list.

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

Most Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles titles

Players competing at 2024 Wimbledon in **bold**

DE GROOT BIDS TO EXTEND LEAD OVER VERGEER

De Groot's streak of 14 consecutive Grand Slam singles titles has seen her overtake Vergeer and claim sole ownership of first place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles with 22 titles.

Kamiji is in 3rd place on the list, while the 2 other former Wimbledon champions in the draw, Jiske Griffoen and Van Koot, are in 4th and 5th place on the list, respectively, for most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles.

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Player	Grand Slam singles titles
Diede de Groot	22
Esther Vergeer	21
Yui Kamiji	8
Jiske Griffioen	4
Aniek van Koot	3

Most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles

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THE RACE TO CATCH ALCOTT

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

Wagner and Schroder will bid to win a 7th Grand Slam title here, with victory for either player seeing them claim sole ownership of 2nd place on the list here. Vink aims for his 5th Grand Slam title.

Most Grand Slam quad wheelchair singles titles		
Player	Grand Slam singles titles	
Dylan Alcott	15	
Peter Norfolk	6	
Sam Schroder	6	
David Wagner	6	
Niels Vink	4	

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HOME FAVOURITES

Just one British player has won a Wimbledon singles title - Reid won the inaugural Wimbledon men's wheelchair singles title in 2016. Wimbledon has had the 3rd-longest wait for a home wheelchair singles champion among the 4 Grand Slam tournaments.

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 British players competing in the wheelchair tournament here this year - Hewett, Reid, and wild card Ben Bartram in the men's singles, Lucy Shuker in the women's singles, and Andy Lapthorne in the quad singles.

GRAND SLAM PREPARATION

Many of the field competing at Wimbledon played at the Eastbourne International and the British Open Roehampton in the 2 weeks prior to the wheelchair event here.

In the women's events, Griffioen defeated this year's Roland Garros runner-up Zhu Zhenzhen to claim the title at Eastbourne. Last week, Kamiji defeated De Groot to win the title at Roehampton, ending a 29-match losing streak against De Groot – it was her first victory against the world No. 1 since she defeated De Groot in the final at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open in February 2021.

In the men's events, Hewett defeated Fernandez to win the title at Eastbourne, but gave a walkover to Fernandez in the final at Roehampton due to a right shoulder injury.

In the quad events, Heath Davidson overcame Andy Lapthorne in the final at Eastbourne, while Vink recorded a comfortable victory against Schroder in the final at Roehampton.

Eastbourne International (27-29 Jun) – final results

Event	Champion	Runner-up
Men's singles	Alfie Hewett	Gustavo Fernandez
Women's singles	Jiske Griffioen	Zhu Zhenzhen
Quad singles	Heath Davidson	Andy Lapthorne

British Open Roehampton (2-5 Jul) - final results

Event	Champion	Runner-up
Men's singles	Gustavo Fernandez	Alfie Hewett
Women's singles	Yui Kamiji	Diede de Groot
Quad singles	Niels Vink	Sam Schroder

2024 LEADERS

Kamiji has won more women's singles matches than any other player on the 2024 UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour, while Hewett and Sasson lead the men's and quad lists, respectively.

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

	Player	2024 win-loss
1.	Yui Kamiji	40-5
2.	Diede de Groot	29-1
3.	Aniek van Koot	27-13
4=	Manami Tanaka	21-14
	Zhu Zhenzhen	21-17

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

Rank	Player	2024 win-loss
1.	Alfie Hewett	42-5
2.	Martin de la Puente	34-13
3.	Tokito Oda	30-2
4.	Tom Egberink	27-11
5.	Gustavo Fernandez	24-8

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

Rank	Player	2022 win-loss
1.	Guy Sasson	27-5
2.	Heath Davidson	24-12
3.	Ahmet Kaplan	22-11
4.	Sam Schroder	21-3
5.	Niels Vink	19-6

WIMBLEDON DEBUTANTS

Thanks largely to the expansion of the men's and women's singles draws, there are 13 players making their Wimbledon debuts this year – 5 in the men's event (Ben Bartram, Alexander Cataldo, Daniel Caverzaschi, Casey Ratzlaff, and Takashi Sanada), 6 players in the women's event (Lizzy de Greef, Guo Luoyao Li Xiaohui, Maria Florencia Moreno, Manami Tanaka, and Wang Ziying) and 2 players in the quad event (Ahmet Kaplan and Sasson). Guo Luoyao is making her Grand Slam debut at Wimbledon, while all 39 other players competing in the wheelchair events here have previously contested at least one Grand Slam tournament.

YOUNGEST AND OLDEST

At 18 years 68 days, Oda is the youngest player to compete in the wheelchair event here this year – he is more than 32 years younger than the oldest player, Houdet (53 years 237 days).

Toungest and oldest players in windledon wheelchair events				
Event	Youngest player (age)	Oldest player (age)		
Women's singles	Lizzy de Greef (20 years 99 days)	Lucy Shuker (44 years 48 days)		
Men's singles	Tokito Oda (18 years 68 days)	Stephane Houdet (53 years 237 days)		
Quad singles	Niels Vink (21 years 221 days)	David Wagner (50 years 133 days)		
NB ages calculated on final day of the tournament				

Youngest and oldest players in Wimbledon wheelchair events

LEFTHANDERS

There are 10 lefthanders in the wheelchair singles draws at Wimbledon this year – 3 in the men's event (Caverzaschi, Oda and Reid), 5 in the women's event (Kamiji, Kgothatso Montjane, Moreno, Van Koot and Zhu) and 2 in the quad event (Lapthorne and Schroder). Oda, Reid, Schroder and Van Koot are the only lefthanded players to have won a Wimbledon wheelchair singles title.

WILD CARDS

Only one wild card has been awarded across the wheelchair events this year, with British player Ben Bartram the recipient. Bartram won the boys' singles and doubles at the inaugural junior events at the 2022 US Open, and made his senior Grand Slam debut as a wild card at the Australian Open last year. He faces world No. 2 Hewett in the 1st round of the men's wheelchair singles here.

COUNTRY COUNTDOWN

A total of 15 nations are represented in the wheelchair singles draws at 2024 Wimbledon, with Netherlands having the most players competing across the 3 events overall. Great Britain, Netherlands and USA are the only nations with representatives in each of the men's, women's and quad wheelchair events here.

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

WIMBLEDON HONOUR ROLL

There have been 6 Wimbledon men's wheelchair singles champions, 3 Wimbledon women's wheelchair singles champions since those tournaments were established in 2016. There have been 3 Wimbledon quad wheelchair singles champions since the tournament's introduction in 2019. Of the 12 players to have won a wheelchair singles title here, 3 have won the title on multiple occasions.

Honour roll						
Year	Men's singles champion	Women's singles champion	Quad singles champion			
2016	Gordon Reid	Jiske Griffioen	no tournament			
2017	Stefan Olsson	Diede de Groot	no tournament			
2018	Stefan Olsson	Diede de Groot	no tournament			
2019	Gustavo Fernandez	Aniek van Koot	Dylan Alcott			
2020	no tournament	no tournament	no tournament			
2021	Joachim Gerard	Diede de Groot	Dylan Alcott			
2022	Shingo Kunieda	Diede de Groot	Sam Schroder			
2023	Tokito Oda	Diede de Groot	Niels Vink			
2024	???	???	???			