

# 2024 WIMBLEDON JUNIOR SINGLES FINAL MATCH NOTES Sunday 14 July

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## On court today...

- In the boys' singles final today, Nicolai Budkov Kjaer takes on Mees Rottgering, with both players already one step further than their previous best Grand Slam singles result, after both reached the semifinals at the Australian Open earlier this year. Budkov Kjaer is bidding to become the first Norwegian Grand Slam singles winner in any discipline, junior or professional. By reaching the final, he has already become the first Norwegian player to reach a Grand Slam junior singles final. On the other side of the net, Mees Rottgering aims to become the first Dutch player to win the boys' singles title at Wimbledon since 2006, when Thiemo de Bakker. Rottgering is already the first Dutch player to contest the boys' singles final here since De Bakker.
- Renata Jamrichova and Emerson Jones have successfully set up a re-match of this year's Australian Open girls' singles final, where Jamrichova won 64 61 in their only previous meeting to date. Jamrichova is aiming to emulate Alina Korneeva's 2023 achievement of winning 2 Grand Slam titles in a season. Should she defeat Jones, she will become the first Slovakian player to win a Wimbledon junior singles title. Meanwhile Jones is bidding to become the first Australian to win the girls' singles title at Wimbledon since Ashleigh Barty in 2011, having already become the first to reach the final here since Barty.

## NO. 2 NICOLAI BUDKOV KJAER (NOR) v MEES ROTTGERING (NED)

Head-to-head: Rottgering leads 1-0

2023 J300 Charelroi-Marcinelle (BEL) Clay (O) SF Rottgering 57 76(7) 64

A 2nd meeting for Budkov Kjaer and Rottgering – but their first at a Grand Slam or on grass. Rottgering won their only previous meeting, which came at J300 level on clay last year.

#### Road to the final

BUDKOV KJAER	Time		Time	ROTTGERING
d. Mae Malige 63 46 62	2:14	1st round	1:15	d. Andreas Timini 64 75
d. Zhang Tianhui 62 64	1:05	2nd round	1:59	d. No. 7 Hayden Jones 64 36 64
d. No. 15 Cooper Woestendick 61 64	1:01	3rd round	1:25	d. Charlie Robertson 76(5) 62
d. No. 10 Maxim Mrva 76(2) 64	1:12	Quarterfinals	1:20	d. No. 1 Kaylan Bigun 76(3) 63
d. Naoya Honda 63 62	1:04	Semifinals	1:45	d. No. 16 Theo Papamalamis 64 75
total time on court	6:34	IBM time	7:44	total time on court

BUDKOV KJAER	v	ROTTGERING
18	Age	17
4	ITF Junior Ranking	28
737	ATP Ranking	1583
12-4	Career Grand Slam Record (Junior)	10-4
7-1	Wimbledon Record (Junior)	6-1
113-41	Career Record (Junior)	80-37
29-6	2024 Record (Junior)	19-5

- <u>BUDKOV KJAER</u> is bidding to become the first Norwegian player to win a Grand Slam singles title in any discipline, junior or professional.
- Budkov Kjaer is **Norway's only Grand Slam champion in any discipline** he won the boys' doubles title at 2024 Roland Garros, partnering Joel Schwaerzler.
- By reaching the final, Budkov Kjaer has become the 2nd Norwegian player to reach a Grand Slam singles final, after 3-time men's singles finalist Casper Ruud.
- By reaching the final here, Budkov Kjaer has recorded his **best Grand Slam singles result**. His previous best Grand Slam result was reaching the semifinals at the Australian Open this year (I. Rei Sakamoto).
- Elsewhere in Grand Slam play this year, Budkov Kjaer fell in the 1st round at Roland Garros (l. Henry Bernet).
- Last year here, on his junior Grand Slam debut, Budkov Kjaer reached the 3rd round (I. Iliyan Radulov).
- Prior to Wimbledon, Budkov Kjaer reached the quarterfinals at J300 Roehampton (GBR) (I. Maxim Mrva).
- Budkov Kjaer's best result in 2024 is winning the title at J300 Beaulieu-sur-Mer (FRA) (d. Bernet). He also finished runner-up at J300 Traralgon (AUS) (I. Sakamoto) and reached the semifinals at J500 Offenbach (GER) (I. Mrva) and J500 Milan (ITA) (I. Kim Jangjun)
- Budkov Kjaer won his first 2 professional titles in 2024 at M15 Antalya (TUR) in March (d. Niels Visker) and M15 Antalya (TUR) in May (d. Yanaki Milev).
- Budkov Kjaer made his **Davis Cup debut for Norway** in 2023, falling to both Juan Pablo Varillas and Ignacio Buse in the team's defeat to Peru in a World Group I tie in September. He recorded his first Davis Cup matchwin during the team's World Group I Play-off victory against Latvia in February this year.
- ROTTGERING is bidding to become the 2nd Dutch player to win a Grand Slam boys' singles title after Thiemo de Bakker, who won the boys' singles title here in 2006.

- By reaching the final, Rottgering has become the **6th Dutch player to reach a Grand Slam boys' singles final** after Eric Wilborts (1980 US Open boys' singles runner-up), Sjeng Schalken (1994 US Open boys' singles champion), Antal Van Der Duim (2005 Roland Garros boys' singles runner-up), Robin Haase (2005 Wimbledon boys' singles runner-up), and De Bakker (2006 Wimbledon boys' singles champion).
- By reaching the final, Rottgering has become the 9th Dutch player to reach a Grand Slam junior singles final. In addition to the 5 Dutch players to have reached boys' singles finals at the Grand Slams, 3 Dutch players have reached Grand Slam girls' singles finals Brenda Schultz-McCarthy (1988 Wimbledon girls' singles champion), Michaella Krajicek (2003 US Open girls' singles runner-up and 2004 US Open girls' singles champion) and Arantxa Rus (2008 Australian Open girls' singles champion).
- By reaching the final here this year, Rottgering has **recorded his best Grand Slam result**. His previous best Grand Slam result was reaching the semifinals at the Australian Open this year (I. Jan Kumstat).
- Elsewhere in Grand Slam play this year, Rottgering fell in the 1st round at Roland Garros (I. Mae Malige).
- Last year here, on his junior Grand Slam debut, Rottgering reached the 2nd round (I. Rodrigo Pacheco Mendez).
- Rottgering did not compete at J300 Roehamption (GBR) last week. He is contesting his first grass court event since competing here last year.
- Rottgering's best results in 2024 are reaching the semifinals at J300 Traralgon (AUS) (I. Rei Sakamoto) and J500 Milan (ITA) (I. Kaylan Bigun).
- Rottgering reached his **first professional final in February this year** at M15 Sharm El Sheikh (EGY) (I. Philip Henning).

# NO. 1 RENATA JAMRICHOVA (SVK) v NO. 3 EMERSON JONES (AUS)

Head-to-head: Jamrichova leads 1-0

2024 Australian Open Hard (O) FR Jamrichova 64 61

A 2nd meeting for Jamrichova and Jones, their 2nd in a Grand Slam final and their first on grass. They met in the girls' singles final at the Australian Open earlier this year, when Jamrichova, also seeded No. 1 then, defeated No. 6 seed Jones to become the 2nd Slovakian player to win the Australian Open girls' singles title.

#### Road to the final

JAMRICHOVA	Time		Time	JONES
d. (Q) Christasha McNeil 62 63	1:12	1st round	0:57	d. Shiho Tsujioka 61 62
d. Noemi Basiletti 62 61	1:16	2nd round	1:28	d. Eliska Tichackova 62 62
d. Sonja Zhiyenbayeva 75 64	1:15	3rd round	0:49	d. No. 16 Iva Ivanova 61 62
d. Rositsa Dencheva 63 61	0:51	Quarterfinals	0:56	d. Monika Stankiewicz 62 63
d. Vendula Valdmannova 60 62	1:02	Semifinals	1:25	d. No. 6 Iva Jovic 75 61
total time on court	5:36	IBM time	5:35	total time on court

JAMRICHOVA	V	JONES
17	Age	16
2	ITF Junior Ranking	3
546	WTA Ranking	630
27-7	Career Grand Slam Record (Junior)	13-5
9-2	Wimbledon Record (Junior)	7-1
116-40	Career Record (Junior)	104-38
14-1	2024 Record (Junior)	26-5

- JAMRICHOVA is bidding to become the first Slovak player to win a Wimbledon junior singles title.
- Jamrichova is bidding to win her **2nd Grand Slam title**. She would become the 2nd player in the last 10 years to win multiple Grand Slam girls' singles titles after Alina Korneeva, who won the girls' singles titles at both the Australian Open and Roland Garros last year.
- By reaching the final, Jamrichova has become the 3rd Slovak player to reach a Wimbledon junior singles final

   after Magdalena Rybarikova (who finished as girls' singles runner-up here in 2006) and Kristina
   Schmiedlova (who finished as girls' singles runner-up here in 2014).
- Jamrichova became **4th Slovakian player to win a Grand Slam junior singles title** at the Australian Open this year, defeating Jones in the girls' singles final. She joined Martin Klizan (2006 Roland Garros boys' singles champion), Kristina Kucova (2007 US Open girls' singles champion) and Tereza Mihalikova (2015 Australian Open girls' singles champion) as Slovakian junior Grand Slam champions.
- By reaching the final here, Jamrichova has recorded her **best Wimbledon result**. Her previous best result here was reaching the semifinals last year (I. Clervie Ngounoue). She is making her 3rd appearance in the girls' singles event here, having falling in the 1st round on her junior Grand Slam debut here in 2022 (I. Jasmine Conway).
- Elsewhere in Grand Slam play this year, Jamrichova reached the quarterfinals at Roland Garros (I. Tereza Valentova).
- Jamrichova did not compete at J300 Roehamption (GBR) last week. Her only appearances at junior-level
  in 2024 have come at the Grand Slams. She competed on grass at W100 Ilkley (GBR) prior to Wimbledon,
  falling to Ranah Akua Stoiber in the 1st round.
- Jamrichova has won 2 professional titles in 2024 at W15 Sharm El Sheikh (EGY) (d. Elena-Teodora Cadar) and W15 Telde (ESP) (d. Maria Garcia Cid).

- Jamrichova made her Billie Jean King Cup debut for Slovakia in 2023 and has won both matches she has
  contested in the competition to date against Argentina's Nadia Podoroska in the 2023 Play-offs and
  Slovenia's Veronika Erjavec in the Qualifiers this year.
- <u>JONES</u> is bidding the become the first Australian player to win the Wimbledon girls' singles title since Ashleigh Barty in 2011.
- Jones is bidding to become the **3rd Australian player to win the Wimbledon girls' singles title** after Debbie Freeman (1980) and Barty (2011). She is bidding to become the first Australian player to win a Grand Slam girls' singles title since Barty here in 2011.
- Jones is also bidding to become the **8th Australian player to win a Wimbledon junior title**. In addition to Freeman and Barty, 5 Australian players have won a boys' singles title here John Alexander (1968), Pat Cash (1982), Mark Kratzmann (1983), Todd Reid (2002) and Luke Saville (2011).
- By reaching the final, Jones has become the first Australian player to reach the Wimbledon girls' singles final since Barty in 2011.
- Jones reached her **first junior Grand Slam final** at the Australian Open this year (I. Jamrichova). She became the first Australian player to reach the Australian Open girls' singles final since 2008, when Jessica Moore finished as runner-up to Arantxa Rus. She also became the first Australian player to reach an Australian Open junior singles final since 2016, when Oliver Anderson won the boys' singles title.
- Elsewhere in Grand Slam play this year, Jones fell in the 1st round at Roland Garros (I. Daria Shadchneva).
- Last year here, on her junior Wimbledon debut, Jones reached the 3rd round (I. Mika Stojsavljevic).
- Prior to Wimbledon, Jones reached the semifinals at J300 Roehampton (GBR) (I. Teodora Kostovic).
- Jones' other highlights in 2024 are winning the titles at J300 Traralgon (AUS) (d. Jovic) and J500 Milan (ITA) (d. Tyra Caterina Grant).
- Jones' best result as a professional in 2024 is reaching the semifinals at W35 Swan Hill (AUS) (I. Gabriella Da Silva Fick). She also competed as a wild card in women's singles qualifying at the Australian Open, but fell to Priscilla Hon in the 1st round of qualifying.