



PARIS 2024 PARALYMPIC WHEELCHAIR TENNIS EVENT

THURSDAY 4 SEPTEMBER DAY SEVEN MATCH NOTES

Court Philippe Chatrier

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On court today...

- First on Court Philippe Chatrier, defending women's doubles gold medallists Diede de Groot/Aniek van Koot of Netherlands take on Japanese challengers Yui Kamiji/Manami Tanaka. Kamiji/Tanaka are into their first Paralympic doubles final, and both are individually seeking their first Paralympic gold medal, while De Groot and Van Koot are both chasing a 3rd Paralympic gold medal. First on Court Suzanne Lenglen, China, P.R. is guaranteed their first ever Paralympic medal in wheelchair tennis as Li Xiaohui/Zhu Zhenzhen face Guo Luoyao/Wang Ziying.
- The first singles medals will be decided today. On Court Philippe Chatrier, it's an all-Dutch affair in the quad singles gold medal match, as Sam Schroder faces Niels Vink. Both men are already quad singles medallists from Tokyo 2020, with Schroder winning silver and Vink bronze. On Court Suzanne Lenglen in the quad singles bronze medal match, Guy Sasson faces Ahmet Kaplan, with both men chasing their first Paralympic medal of any colour. Sasson aims to become the 2nd Israeli player to win a wheelchair tennis medal at the Paralympics, while Kaplan hopes to be the first from Turkiye.
- Two men's singles semifinals round out the day's play, each one a repeat of the two most recent Grand Slam finals. Second on Court Philippe Chatrier, Tokito Oda faces Gustavo Fernandez in a rematch of their Roland Garros final from this year, which Oda won. Both men are contesting their first Paralympic singles semifinal, Oda on his debut and Fernandez on his 4th appearance at the Games. Last on Court Suzanne Lenglen, Alfie Hewett faces Martin de la Puente in a repeat of their Wimbledon final this year. Hewett has won 22 of their 23 meetings, including on that day at SW19, and is bidding to reach his 2nd Paralympic men's singles final, while De La Puente is contesting his first Paralympic singles semifinal.

COURT PHILIPPE CHATRIER – WOMEN’S DOUBLES GOLD MEDAL MATCH NO. 1 DE GROOT/VAN KOOT (NED) v NO. 2 KAMIJI/TANAKA (JPN)

Head-to-head: first meeting

- **DE GROOT/VAN KOOT** are bidding to win the women’s doubles gold medal at the Paralympics for the 2nd time as a team. This is their 2nd appearance at the Paralympics as a team.
- De Groot/Van Koot reached the final after receiving a bye in the 1st round and defeating Momoko Ohtani/Saki Takamuro 64 61 in the quarterfinals and No. 3 seeds Li Xiaohui/Zhu Zhenzhen 62 62 in the semifinals.
- De Groot/Van Koot are bidding to become the **2nd team to win the women’s doubles gold medal at consecutive Paralympics Games** – after Maaïke Smit/Esther Vergeer, who won the women’s doubles gold medal at Sydney 2000 and Athens 2004. (NB Van Koot won the women’s doubles gold medal at consecutive Paralympic Games with different partners, with Jiske Griffioen at Rio 2016 and with De Groot at Tokyo 2020)
- De Groot/Van Koot are bidding to become the **4th and 5th Dutch players to win 3 or more Paralympics gold medals in wheelchair tennis** – after Vergeer (7 Paralympic gold medals), Smit and Monique van den Bosch (both 3). (NB one of Sam Schroder and Niels Vink will win their 3rd Paralympic gold medal as they face each other in the quad singles final today)
- De Groot/Van Koot are bidding to move into **joint-3rd place on the all-time list for most Paralympic gold medals won** – behind Vergeer (7 Paralympic gold medals), Shingo Kunieda (4) and alongside Dylan Alcott, Stephane Houdet, Smit, Nicholas Taylor, Van Den Bosch and David Wagner (all 3). (NB one of Sam Schroder and Niels Vink will win their 3rd Paralympic gold medal as they face each other in the quad singles final today)

Most Paralympic gold medals in wheelchair tennis

Player	No. of gold medals
Esther Vergeer	7
Shingo Kunieda	4
Dylan Alcott	3
Diede de Groot	3??
Stephane Houdet	3
Maaïke Smit	3
Sam Schroder	3??
Nicholas Taylor	3
Monique van den Bosch	3
Aniek van Koot	3??
Niels Vink	3??
David Wagner	3
Robin Ammerlaan	2
Jiske Griffioen	2
Peter Norfolk	2
Chantal Vandierendonck	2

NB medals won at Seoul 1988 exhibition event not included

- De Groot/Van Koot are bidding to maintain Netherlands’ record of **always winning the Paralympic women’s doubles gold medal in wheelchair tennis**. A Dutch team has won the women’s doubles gold medal at every Paralympic Games since wheelchair tennis became a full-medal sport in 1992.
- De Groot is bidding to become the **3rd player to win the career ‘Golden Slam’ in women’s doubles multiple times**, after Vergeer, who achieved the career ‘Golden Slam’ three times over, and Van Koot, who has completed the career ‘Golden Slam’ in doubles twice over and is bidding to match Vergeer in achieving the feat three times over.
- De Groot/Van Koot **won the women’s doubles gold medal at Tokyo 2020**, defeating Lucy Shuker/Jordanne Whiley in the gold medal match.
- De Groot **also won the women’s doubles silver medal at Rio 2016** alongside Marjolein Buis, falling to Jiske Griffioen/Van Koot in the gold medal match.

- Van Koot **also won the women's doubles gold medal at Rio 2016** alongside Griffioen, defeating Buis/De Groot in the gold medal match. She also won the women's doubles silver medal alongside Griffioen at London 2012 (l. Buis/Esther Vergeer).
- De Groot **won the singles gold medal at Tokyo 2020** where she defeated Yui Kamiji in the singles gold medal match. On her Paralympic debut at Rio 2016, she finished in 4th place in singles, falling to Griffioen in the semifinals and to Kamiji in the bronze medal match.
- Van Koot **is also a 2-time Paralympic singles silver medallist**, having lost to fellow Dutchwomen in both Paralympic singles finals she has contested. She fell to Vergeer in the gold medal match at London 2012 and to Griffioen in the gold medal match at Rio 2016. She also finished 4th at Tokyo 2020, where she fell to Japan's Kamiji in the semifinals and to Great Britain's Jordanne Whiley in the bronze medal match.
- By winning the women's doubles gold medal at Tokyo 2020, De Groot/Van Koot became the **2nd doubles team to win the career 'Golden Slam'** in wheelchair women's doubles, with the pair having previously won 8 Grand Slam doubles titles together. Van Koot had already won a career 'Golden Slam' in women's doubles alongside Griffioen – Griffioen/Van Koot won 8 Grand Slam titles together in 2012-17 and the gold medal at Rio 2016.
- De Groot/Van Koot have **won 35 doubles titles as a team, including 14 Grand Slam titles**.
- De Groot/Van Koot's **best results in 2024 as a team** are winning 4 titles – at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS), Rome (ITA), Roland Garros and the French Riviera Open (FRA).
- De Groot is in **first place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair women's singles titles won**, ahead of Vergeer, who won 21 Grand Slam singles titles. She overtook Vergeer by winning her 22nd Grand Slam singles title at 2024 Roland Garros. She has won 23 Grand Slam titles – 6 at the Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open, and 5 at Roland Garros.
- De Groot is in **2nd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair singles titles won**, only behind Shingo Kunieda, who won 28 Grand Slam men's singles titles.
- Aniek van Koot is in **5th place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair women's singles titles won**, behind De Groot (23 Grand Slam singles titles), Vergeer (21), Kamiji (8) and Griffioen (4). She has won 3 Grand Slam titles, at the Australian Open and US Open in 2013, and at Wimbledon in 2019.
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, De Groot won the title at the Australian Open (d. Kamiji), Roland Garros (d. Zhu Zhuzhen) and Wimbledon (d. Van Koot).
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, Van Koot finished runner-up at Wimbledon, reached the semifinals at Roland Garros, and reached the quarterfinals at the Australian Open, losing to De Groot on all 3 occasions.
- De Groot's **other highlights in 2024** are winning 5 other titles – at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (d. Kamiji), Rotterdam (NED) (d. Jiske Griffioen), the Cajun Classic (USA) (d. Kamiji), Rome (ITA) (d. Angelica Bernal) and the French Riviera Open (d. Kamiji). She also finished runner-up at Roehampton (GBR) (l. Kamiji).
- Van Koot's **best result in 2024** is winning the title at the Seoul Korea Open (d. Wang Ziying). She finished runner-up at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (AUS) (l. Kamiji), the Daegu Open (KOR) (l. Kamiji), the Japan Open (l. Kamiji) and Wimbledon, reached the semifinals at Rotterdam (NED) (l. Griffioen), the Cajun Classic (USA) (l. De Groot), Rome (ITA) (l. De Groot), Roland Garros, the French Riviera Open (l. De Groot) and Roehampton (GBR) (l. De Groot), and reached the quarterfinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (l. Wang), the Australian Open, and the Georgia Open (USA) (l. Lizzy de Greef).
- De Groot reached the **world No. 1 singles ranking** for the first time in March 2018. She has been ranked No. 1 continuously since 11 June 2018. She reached the world No. 1 doubles ranking for the first time in June 2018, and plays here at No. 3.
- Van Koot reached the **world No. 1 singles ranking** for the first time in January 2013 after winning her first Grand Slam title at the Australian Open, most recently held the top ranking in January 2014, and plays here at No. 3. She reached the world No. 1 doubles ranking for the first time in July 2010, and plays here at No. 4.
- De Groot is a **6-time Wheelchair World Team Cup champion**. She made her debut in the competition in 2015, has a 43-3 win-loss record in the competition, and was part of the Dutch teams which won the women's event in 2015, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2021 and 2023.

- Van Koot is a **10-time Wheelchair World Team Cup champion**. She made her debut in the competition in 2006, has a 56-4 win-loss record in the competition, and was part of the Dutch teams which won the women's event in 2010-16 and 2018, 2019 and 2021.
- De Groot is coached by Amanda Hopmans. Van Koot is coached by Robin van Beveren.
- **KAMIJI/TANAKA** are bidding to win the women's doubles gold medal for the first time in their 8th event as a team.
- Kamiji/Tanaka reached the final after receiving a bye through the 1st round and defeating Jinte Bos/Lizzy de Greef 63 60 in the quarterfinals and No. 4 seeds Guo Luoyao/Wang Ziyang 60 61 in the semifinals for Tanaka's **first Paralympic doubles match-wins**.
- Kamiji/Tanaka are bidding to become the **first non-Dutch team to win the women's doubles gold medal at the Paralympics**. A Dutch team has won the women's doubles gold medal at every Paralympic Games since wheelchair tennis became a full-medal sport in 1992.
- By reaching the final, Kamiji/Tanaka have already become the **first Japanese team to reach the women's doubles final at the Paralympics**.
- Tanaka has also become the **4th Japanese player to reach a Paralympic final in wheelchair tennis** – after Shingo Kunieda (4 Paralympic final appearances), Kamiji and Satoshi Saida (both one). (NB Takuya Miki and Tokito Oda became the 5th and 6th Japanese players to reach a Paralympic final in wheelchair tennis after winning their men's doubles semifinal on Wednesday)
- Kamiji **won the women's doubles bronze medal at Tokyo 2020**, partnering Momoko Ohtani. They fell to De Groot/Van Koot in the semifinals before defeating Wang/Zhu Zhenzhen in the bronze medal match. Kamiji also finished 4th in the women's doubles at Rio 2016 partnering Miho Niho, falling to Marjolein Buis/De Groot in the semifinals and to Lucy Shuker/Jordanne Whaley in the bronze medal match.
- Tanaka made her **Paralympic debut at Tokyo 2020**. She reached the 2nd round in the women's singles (d. Najwa Awane, I. Whaley), but fell in the women's doubles quarterfinals alongside Saki Takamuro against Wang/Zhu after receiving a bye through the first round.
- Kamiji also **won the singles silver medal at Tokyo 2020**, where she fell to De Groot in the gold medal match, becoming the first non-Dutch player to contest a Paralympic women's singles final. She also won the singles bronze medal at Rio 2016, where she fell to Van Koot in the semifinals and defeated De Groot in the bronze medal match.
- Kamiji/Tanaka have **won 4 doubles titles as a team in 7 events played** – at the Kobe Open (JPN) in 2017 (d. Emi Suda/Takamuro) and 2018 (d. Shiori Funamizu/Ohtani), the 2018 Daegu Open (KOR) (d. Katharina Kruger/Dana Mathewson) and at the Asian Para Games last year in their most recent event as a team prior to the Paralympics here (d. Guo/Zhu).
- Kamiji is in **3rd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair women's singles titles won** behind De Groot, who has won 23 Grand Slam singles titles, and Vergeer, who won 21 Grand Slam singles titles. She has won 8 Grand Slam titles – 4 at Roland Garros, and 2 each at the Australian Open and US Open.
- Tanaka made her **Grand Slam debut** at the 2022 US Open, and has since made 7 Grand Slam appearances and recorded 10 Grand Slam match-wins across singles and doubles. Her best Grand Slam singles result is reaching the semifinals on her Australian Open debut in 2023 (l. De Groot) and her best Grand Slam doubles result is reaching the semifinals on 6 occasions, including at the Australian Open and Roland Garros this year, both alongside Mathewson.
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, Kamiji finished runner-up at the Australian Open (l. De Groot), reached the semifinals at Wimbledon (l. Van Koot) and reached the quarterfinals at Roland Garros (l. Ohtani).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams this year**, Tanaka reached the quarterfinals in the women's singles at the Australian Open (d. Pauline Deroulede, I. Kgothatso Montjane), but fell in the 1st round at Roland Garros and Wimbledon, falling to Mathewson on both occasions.
- Kamiji's **best singles results in 2024** are winning 7 titles – at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (AUS) (d. Van Koot), Busan (KOR) (d. Tanka), Daegu (KOR) (d. Van Koot), the Japan Open (d. Van Koot), Kobe (JPN) (d. Funamizu), Barcelona (ESP) (d. Wang) and Roehampton (GBR) (d. De Groot). She also finished runner-up at the Melbourne

Wheelchair Open (AUS) (I. De Groot), the Australian Open, the Cajun Classic (USA) (I. De Groot) and the French Riviera Open (FRA) (I. De Groot).

- Tanaka's **best singles result in 2024** is winning the title at the XII Torneo Fundacion Emilio Sanchez Vicario (ESP) (d. Macarena Cabrillana). She also finished runner-up at the Busan Open (KOR) (I. Kamiji), and the Austrian Open (I. Takamuro), reached the semifinals at the Daegu Open (KOR) (I. Kamiji), the Seoul Korea Open (I. Wang), and the Kemal Sahin Cup (TUR) (I. Ksenia Chasteau), and reached the quarterfinals at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (AUS) (I. Jiske Griffioen), the Australian Open, the Georgia Open (USA) (I. Mathewson), the Japan Open (I. Van Koot), the Megasaray Cup (TUR) (I. Viktoriia Lvova), Barcelona (ESP) (I. Kamiji), and the Open International de Royan (FRA) (I. Ohtani).
- Kamiji reached the **world No. 1 ranking** for the first time in May 2014, most recently held the top ranking in June 2018, and has been ranked No. 2 since 2 September 2019. She reached the world No. 1 doubles ranking for the first time in June 2014 and plays here at No. 2.
- Tanaka reached a **career-high singles ranking** of No. 7 in January last year, and plays here at No. 12. She reached a career-high doubles ranking of No. 6 in January 2023 and plays here at No. 8.
- Kamiji was part of the **Japanese Wheelchair World Team Cup team that won the women's event for the first time in 2022**, defeating Netherlands in the final. She made her debut in the competition in 2009, has a 61-16 win-loss record in the competition, and was also part of the Japanese teams which finished runners-up in the women's event in 2010, 2012, 2015, 2019 and 2021, all to Netherlands.
- Tanaka was also part of the **Japanese Wheelchair World Team Cup team that won the women's event for the first time in 2022**. She made her debut in the competition in 2016.
- Kamiji/Tanaka are coached by Kenji Matsumoto.

COURT PHILIPPE CHATRIER – MEN’S SINGLES SEMIFINAL NO. 2 TOKITO ODA (JPN) v NO. 4 GUSTAVO FERNANDEZ (ARG)

Head-to-head: Oda leads 6-2

A 9th meeting between Oda and Fernandez, a first at the Paralympics but a 2nd at Stade Roland Garros. Oda defeated Fernandez 75 63 in the final Roland Garros this year in their most recent meeting.

This is their 6th meeting on clay, with Oda leading 3-2 in the head-to-head on the surface. He won 61 64 in the final at the 2022 Swiss Open, in their 2nd ever meeting, 64 75 in the final at the 2023 Swiss Open and in the Roland Garros final this year. Fernandez won 61 61 in the semifinals at the 2022 Annecy International Open (FRA) in their first ever meeting, and won 61 26 75 in the semifinals at the NEC Wheelchair Singles Masters last year.

This is their 9th meeting in either the semifinal or final of an event, with all 8 of their previous meetings having come in the semifinal or final of tournaments.

Route to the semifinals

ODA	Time		Time	FERNANDEZ
BYE	-	1st round	-	BYE
d. Ben Bartram 62 76(4)	1:27	2nd round	1:02	d. Frederic Cattaneo 61 64
d. Daniel Rodrigues 60 61	0:52	3rd round	0:45	d. No. 14 Alexander Cataldo 60 61
d. No. 6 Tom Egberink 64 61	1:03	Quarterfinals	1:47	d. No. 5 Gordon Reid 60 76(5)
total time on court	3:22	Time by Omega	3:34	total time on court

- **ODA** is bidding to reach the men's singles final at the Paralympics for the first time on his Paralympic debut.
- Oda is bidding to become the **2nd Japanese player to reach the men's singles final at the Paralympics**, after Shingo Kunieda, who reached the men's singles final at Beijing 2008, London 2012 and Tokyo 2020, winning the gold medal on all 3 occasions.
- Oda is bidding to become the **2nd Japanese player to reach a Paralympic singles and doubles final at the same Games** – after Yui Kamiji, who is contesting the women's doubles final today and the women's singles final on Friday. He will contest the men's doubles final alongside Takuya Miki on Friday.
- Oda is bidding to become the **3rd Japanese player to reach a Paralympic singles final in any wheelchair tennis category** – after Kunieda and Kamiji, who reached the women's singles final at Tokyo 2020 and won the silver medal, and will contest the women's singles final here on Friday.
- Oda is bidding to become the **6th player to reach the Paralympic men's singles and doubles finals at the same Games**.

Players reaching the men's singles and doubles finals at the same Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event

Player	Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event
Randy Snow	Barcelona 1992
Stephen Welch	Atlanta 1996
David Hall	Sydney 2000
Alfie Hewett	Rio 2016, Paris 2024??
Gordon Reid	Rio 2016
Tokito Oda	Paris 2024??

- Oda is making his **Paralympic debut** at this event.
- Oda is a **4-time Grand Slam singles champion**. He won his first Grand Slam title at 2023 Roland Garros, and won the titles at 2023 Wimbledon and the 2024 Australian Open, defeating Alfie Hewett in the final on those 3 occasions, and at 2024 Roland Garros (d. Fernandez).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams this year**, Oda reached the semifinals at Wimbledon (l. Martin de la Puente).
- Oda's **other highlights in 2024** are winning 3 other titles – at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS), the Japan Open, and the French Riviera Open (FRA), defeating Hewett in the final on all 3 occasions. He also finished runner-up to Hewett at the Georgia Open (USA) and the Cajun Classic (USA).

- Aged 17 years 35 days, Oda became the **youngest man in history to hold the No. 1 ranking in any senior tennis discipline** after winning his first Grand Slam title at 2023 Roland Garros. He is currently ranked No. 2.
- Oda **led Japan to victory in the boys' event at the 2021 Wheelchair World Team Cup in Alghero**, defeating Great Britain in the title match. He remains eligible to compete in junior Grand Slam tournaments and is still the junior world No. 1, but has never contested a junior Grand Slam event.
- Oda has played **Wheelchair World Team Cup** for Japan since 2022 and has a 10-4 win-loss record in the competition.
- Oda is coached by Yosuke Inaba and Hiroya Kumada.
- **FERNANDEZ** is bidding to reach the men's singles final at the Paralympics for the first time. This is his 4th Paralympics appearance.
- Fernandez is bidding to become the **first Argentinian player to reach a Paralympic final in any wheelchair tennis category**, in singles or doubles.
- By reaching the men's singles semifinals, Fernandez has already become the **first Argentinian player to reach a Paralympic semifinal in any wheelchair tennis category**, in singles or doubles. He has also ensured that he will be the first Argentinian player to contest a Paralympic medal match.
- By reaching the semifinals, Fernandez has also become the **first player from the continent of South America to reach a Paralympic singles semifinal**, in any wheelchair tennis category, and ensured that he will be the first player from the continent of South America to contest a Paralympic singles medal match. He has also become the 3rd player from South America to reach a Paralympic semifinal in any wheelchair tennis category, in singles or doubles, after Leandro Pena and Ymanitu Silva, who fell in the semifinals of the quad doubles here and finished 4th after falling in the bronze medal match.
- Fernandez reached the men's singles quarterfinals **on all 3 of his previous Paralympic appearances** – on his debut at London 2012 (l. Stephane Houdet), and at Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020, losing to Reid on both occasions.
- Fernandez is in **3rd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair men's singles titles won** behind Shingo Kunieda (28 Grand Slam singles titles) and Alfie Hewett (9). He has won 5 Grand Slam titles – at Roland Garros in 2016 and 2019, at the Australian Open in 2017 and 2019, and at Wimbledon in 2019.
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, Fernandez finished runner-up at Roland Garros (l. Tokito Oda) and reached the semifinals at Wimbledon (l. Hewett). He missed the Australian Open on health grounds. It was the first time he had missed a Grand Slam tournament since making his Grand Slam debut at the 2013 Australian Open.
- Fernandez's **best results in 2024** are winning 2 titles – at Barcelona (ESP) (d. Martin de la Puente) and Roehampton (GBR) (received a walkover in the final against Hewett). He also finished runner-up at Rome (ITA) (l. Hewett), the Open International de Royan (FRA) (l. De La Puente), Roland Garros and Eastbourne (GBR) (l. Hewett), reached the semifinals at the Cajun Classic (USA) (l. Hewett), Munich (GER) (l. Reid), and Wimbledon, and reached the quarterfinals at the Georgia Open (USA) (l. Ruben Spaargaren) and the French Riviera Open (l. Reid).
- Fernandez reached the **world No. 1 ranking** for the first time in July 2017 and most recently held the top ranking in January 2020. He has been ranked inside the Top 10 since May 2012 and inside the Top 5 since June 2016. He plays here at No. 4.
- Fernandez has played **Wheelchair World Team Cup** for Argentina since 2009 and has a 36-12 win-loss record in singles matches in the competition and a 59-29 win-loss record overall.
- Fernandez is coached by Jonathan Abadie.

COURT PHILIPPE CHATRIER – QUAD SINGLES GOLD MEDAL MATCH NO. 1 SAM SCHRODER (NED) v NO. 2 NIELS VINK

Head-to-head: Vink leads 21-12

A 34th meeting between Schroder and Vink, but their first at the Paralympics. This is their 3rd meeting at Stade Roland Garros, with Vink winning 64 76(8) in the 2022 Roland Garros final and 36 64 64 in the 2023 Roland Garros final.

This is the pair's 7th meeting on clay overall, with Vink having won all 6 previous meetings on the surface, dropping just 2 sets across those 6 matches.

This is Schroder and Vink's 28th meeting in a tournament final, and their 20th consecutive meeting in a tournament final. Of their previous 33 meetings, 32 have come in the semifinals or final at an event, with their only quarterfinal meeting coming at the 2021 US Open, when Vink won 76(5) 64.

Schroder and Vink are both bidding to become the first Dutch player to win a Paralympic quad singles gold medal. They are also bidding to become the 8th Dutch player to win a Paralympic singles gold medal across all wheelchair tennis categories – after Esther Vergeer (4 Paralympic singles gold medals), Robin Ammerlaan, Diede de Groot, Jiske Griffioen, Monique van den Bosch, Ricky Molier and Maaïke Smit (all one). (NB De Groot is bidding to win her 2nd women's singles gold medal on Friday)

After both winning their 2nd Paralympic gold medal by successfully defending their quad doubles gold medal from Tokyo 2020 on Wednesday, Schroder and Vink are both bidding to become the 4th Dutch player to win 3 or more Paralympics gold medals in wheelchair tennis – after Vergeer (7 Paralympic gold medals), Smit and Monique van den Bosch (both 3). (NB De Groot and Aniek van Koot are also bidding to win their 3rd Paralympic gold medal in the women's doubles final today)

Schroder and Vink are both bidding to move into joint-3rd place on the all-time list for most Paralympic gold medals won – behind Vergeer (7 Paralympic gold medals), Shingo Kunieda (4) and alongside Dylan Alcott, Stephane Houdet, Smit, Nicholas Taylor, Van Den Bosch and David Wagner (all 3). (NB De Groot and Aniek van Koot are also bidding to win their 3rd Paralympic gold medal in the women's doubles final today)

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Maaïke Smit	3
Sam Schroder	3??
Nicholas Taylor	3
Monique van den Bosch	3
Aniek van Koot	3??
Niels Vink	3??
David Wagner	3
Robin Ammerlaan	2
Jiske Griffioen	2
Peter Norfolk	2
Chantal Vandierendonck	2

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Route to the gold medal match

SCHRODER	Time		Time	VINK
BYE	-	1st round	1:05	d. Lucas Sithole 60 62
d. Leandro Pena 61 62	0:59	Quarterfinals	0:41	d. Robert Shaw 60 60
d. No. 3 Guy Sasson 76(1) 64	2:18	Semifinals	0:57	d. Ahmet Kaplan 61 61
total time on court	3:17	Time by Omega	2:43	total time on court

- **SCHRODER** is bidding to win the quad singles gold medal at the Paralympics for the first time. This is his 2nd appearance at the Paralympics.
- Schroder won the **quad singles silver medal at Tokyo 2020**, falling to Dylan Alcott in the gold medal match. He also won the quad doubles gold medal with Vink, defeating Alcott/Heath Davidson in the gold medal match.
- Schroder is in **joint-2nd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair quad singles titles won** behind Dylan Alcott, who won 15 Grand Slam singles titles, and alongside Peter Norfolk and David Wagner, who have won 6 Grand Slam singles titles each. He has won 6 Grand Slam titles – 3 at the Australian Open (2022-4), 2 at the US Open (2020 and 2023) and one at Wimbledon (2022).
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, Schroder won the title at the Australian Open (d. Sasson), and finished runner-up at Roland Garros (l. Sasson) and Wimbledon (l. Vink).
- Schroder's **best singles results in 2024** are winning 4 titles – at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (d. Vink), the Australian Open, the Cajun Classic (USA) (d. Vink) and the Japan Open (d. Sasson). He also finished runner-up at Roland Garros and Wimbledon, and reached the semifinals at Roehampton (GBR) (l. Laphorne).
- Schroder reached the **world No. 1 ranking** for the first time in February 2022, and plays here at the same ranking.
- Schroder **led Netherlands to their first 3 quad titles at the Wheelchair World Team Cup**, in 2021 (d. USA), 2022 (d. South Africa) and 2023 (d. Israel).
- Schroder is coached by Joop Broens.
- **VINK** is bidding to win the quad singles gold medal at the Paralympics for the first time. This is his 2nd appearance at the Paralympics.
- Vink won the **quad singles bronze medal at Tokyo 2020**, falling to Alcott in the semifinals and defeating Koji Sugeno in the bronze medal match. He also won the quad doubles gold medal with Schroder, defeating Alcott/Davidson in the gold medal match.
- Vink is in **5th place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair quad singles titles won** behind Alcott, Norfolk, Schroder and Wagner. He has won 5 Grand Slam titles – 2 at both Roland Garros (2022 and 2023) and Wimbledon (2023 and 2024), and one at the US Open (2022).
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, Vink won the title at Wimbledon (d. Schroder) and reached the semifinals at the Australian Open and Roland Garros, falling to Guy Sasson on both occasions.
- Vink's **best results in 2024** are winning 3 titles – at Barcelona (ESP) (d. Ahmet Kaplan), Roehampton (GBR) (d. Schroder) and Wimbledon. He also finished runner-up at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (l. Schroder), the Cajun Classic (USA) (l. Schroder), and reached the semifinals at the Australian Open, the Japan Open (l. Sasson), Roland Garros and the French Riviera Open (FRA) (l. Kaplan).
- Vink reached the **world No. 1 ranking** for the first time in December 2021, and plays here at No. 2.
- Vink **led Netherlands to their first 3 quad titles at the Wheelchair World Team Cup**, in 2021 (d. USA), 2022 (d. South Africa) and 2023 (d. Israel).
- Vink is coached by Hans-Jurgen Striek.

COURT SUZANNE LENGLEN – WOMEN’S DOUBLES NO. 3 LI/ZHU (CHN) v NO. 4 GUO/WANG (CHN)

Head-to-head: Li/Zhu lead 2-0

A 3rd meeting between Li/Zhu and Guo/Wang, a first at the Paralympics and a 3rd on clay. Li/Zhu won 64 64 in the final at the Open International de Royan (FRA) this year, and 64 61 in the semifinals at the French Riviera Open, also this year. Both teams only played together in these combinations for the first time in 2024.

Both Li/Zhu and Guo/Wang are bidding to become the first Chinese players to win a Paralympic medal in wheelchair tennis, in any category, in singles or doubles. Since wheelchair tennis was introduced as a full-medal event in 1992, 13 nations have won at least one Paralympic medal in the sport. China, P.R. is guaranteed a bronze medal with this all Chinese match, meaning China, P.R. will become the 14th nation to win a Paralympic medal in wheelchair tennis. (NB Ahmet Kaplan is contesting the quad singles bronze medal match today and bidding to win a first Paralympic medal in wheelchair tennis for Turkiye)

Li and Guo have already become the 3rd and 4th Chinese players to contest a Paralympic medal match, after Wang and Zhu who finished 4th in the women’s doubles together at Tokyo 2020.

Li, Guo, Wang and Zhu made up the Chinese team that won the women’s event at the Wheelchair World Team Cup for the 2nd time in the competition’s history this year. Wang defeated Aniek van Koot and Li defeated Diede de Groot to end the world No. 1’s more-than-3-year singles winning streak at 145 singles matches won, as China, P.R. defeated Netherlands 2-0 in the final.

Li and Guo made their debuts in the Wheelchair World Team Cup this year. Wang and Zhu were also members of the Chinese team that won the women’s event for the first time in 2017. Wang and Zhu both made their debut in the competition in 2016.

- **LI/ZHU** are bidding to win the women’s doubles bronze medal for the first time in their 10th event as a team.
- Li/Zhu reached the bronze medal match after receiving a bye in the 1st round, receiving a walkover in the quarterfinals against Kgothatso Montjane/Mariska Venter, and falling to No. 1 seeds Diede de Groot/Aniek van Koot 62 62 in the semifinals.
- Li is **making her Paralympic debut** at this event. She reached the quarterfinals in the women’s singles, defeating Dana Mathewson and Lucy Shuker before falling to Van Koot.
- Zhu **finished 4th in the women’s doubles at Tokyo 2020** alongside Wang, falling to Lucy Shuker/Jordanne Whiley in the semifinals and to Yui Kamiji/Momoko Ohtani in the bronze medal match. She fell in the quarterfinals alongside Huang Huimin at Rio 2016 after receiving a bye in the 1st round (l. Kamiji/Miho Nijo). She also reached the quarterfinals in the women’s singles at Rio 2016 (l. Van Koot), Tokyo 2020 (l. Kamiji), and here this year (l. Kamiji).
- Li/Zhu’s **best results as a team** are winning 2 titles – at the Georgia Open (USA) this year in their first event as a team (d. Mathewson/Manami Tanaka), and at the Open International de Royan (FRA) this year (d. Guo Wang). They also finished runners-up at the French Riviera Open (l. De Groot/Van Koot), reached the final at Roehampton (GBR) (match abandoned against Kamiji/Montjane), reached the semifinals at Barcelona (ESP) (l. Shuker/Van Koot), Roland Garros (l. De Groot/Van Koot), and Wimbledon (l. Kamiji/Montjane), and the quarterfinals at the Cajun Classic (USA) (l. De Groot/Jiske Griffioen).
- Li made **her Grand Slam debut at the Australian Open this year**. She reached the quarterfinals on her Wimbledon debut (d. Angelica Bernal, l. Van Koot), but fell in the 1st round at the Australian Open (l. Zhu) and Roland Garros (l. De Groot).
- Zhu reached her **first Grand Slam singles final** at Roland Garros this year, falling to Diede de Groot in the final.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams this year**, Zhu reached the quarterfinals at the Australian Open (l. Jiske Griffioen), but fell in the 1st round at Wimbledon (l. Kamiji).
- Li’s **best singles results in 2024** are reaching the semifinals at the Georgia Open (USA) (l. Lizzy de Greef), the Busan Open (KOR) (l. Kamiji), the Daegu Open (l. Van Koot) and Barcelona (ESP) (l. Wang). She also reached the quarterfinals at the Seoul Korea Open (l. Tanaka), the Open International de Royan (FRA) (l. Zhu), the French Riviera Open (l. Kamiji), Roehampton (GBR) (l. Kamiji), Wimbledon and here at the Paralympics.

- Zhu's **best results in 2024** are runner-up finishes at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (I. Griffioen), the Bolton Indoor ITF3 Wheelchair Tennis Tournament (I. Mathewson), Roland Garros and Eastbourne (GBR) (I. Griffioen). She also reached the semifinals at the Bolton Indoor ITF2 Wheelchair Tennis Tournament (I. Bernal), the Busan Open (KOR) (I. Tanaka), and the Open International de Royan (FRA) (I. Wang), and reached the quarterfinals at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (AUS) (I. Montjane), the Australian Open, the Georgia Open (USA) (I. Montjane), the Cajun Classic (USA) (I. Van Koot), the Daegu Open (KOR) (I. Li), the Seoul Korea Open (I. Wang), Barcelona (ESP) (I. Wang), the French Riviera Open (I. Griffioen) and Roehampton (GBR) (I. Van Koot).
- Li reached a **career-high singles ranking** of 12 in April this year, and is currently ranked at No. 14. She reached a career-high doubles ranking of No. 7 in July this year and plays here at the same ranking.
- Zhu **achieved a career-high singles ranking** of No. 4 for the first time in August 2022, and is currently ranked at No. 6. She reached a career-high doubles ranking of No. 4 in December 2021, and plays here at No. 6.
- Li/Zhu are coached by Dong Fuli.
- **GUO/WANG** are bidding to win the women's doubles bronze medal for the first time in their 6th event as a team.
- Guo/Wang advanced to the bronze medal match after defeating Najwa Awane/Samira Benichi 61 61 in the 1st round and Angelica Bernal/Zuleinny Rodriguez Trujillo 61 64 in the quarterfinals for Guo's **first Paralympic doubles match-wins**, before falling to Kamiji/Tanaka in the semifinals.
- Guo is **making her Paralympic debut at this event**. She reached the women's singles quarterfinals, receiving a walkover against Montjane and defeating Ohtani before falling to De Groot in the quarterfinals.
- Wang made her **Paralympic debut at Tokyo 2020**. She finished 4th in the women's doubles alongside Zhu, falling to Shuker/Whiley in the semifinals and to Kamiji/Ohtani in the bronze medal match. She also reached the women's singles quarterfinals (I. Van Koot).
- Guo/Wang's **best result as a team** is a runner-up finish at the Open International de Royan (FRA) earlier this year (I. Li/Zhu). They also reached the semifinals at Barcelona (ESP) (I. Kamiji/Montjane), the French Riviera Open (I. Li/Zhu) and Wimbledon (I. De Groot/Griffioen). The pair played together for the first time as a team at the Wheelchair World Team Cup in May this year.
- Guo is **yet to make her Grand Slam debut**.
- Wang made her **Grand Slam debut** at Roland Garros this year, reaching the quarterfinals (d. Shuker, I. De Groot), and reached the semifinals on her Wimbledon debut (I. De Groot).
- Guo's **best singles result at ITF3 Series-level or higher in 2024** is reaching the semifinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (I. De Groot). She also reached the quarterfinals at the Busan Open (KOR) (I. Zhu), the Seoul Korea Open (I. Van Koot), and Barcelona (ESP) (I. Li).
- Guo's has also **won one title at ITF Futures Series-level in 2024**, at the Paratennis Open de Cagnes (FRA) (d. Bos).
- Wang's **best singles result in 2024** is winning the title at the Open International de Royan (FRA) (d. Ohtani). She also finished runner-up at the Seoul Korea Open (I. Van Koot) and Barcelona (ESP) (I. Kamiji), reached the semifinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (I. Kamiji), and Wimbledon, and reached the quarterfinals at the Busan Open (KOR) (I. Kamiji), the Daegu Open (I. Kamiji), and Roland Garros.
- Guo reached a **career-high singles ranking** of No. 13 in January this year and plays here at No. 19. She reached a career-high doubles ranking of No. 12 in July this year and plays here at No. 13.
- Wang reached a **career-high singles ranking** of No. 5 last month and plays here at the same ranking. She reached a career-high doubles ranking of No. 11 in July this year and plays here at the same ranking.
- Guo was part of the **Chinese Wheelchair World Team Cup team that won the women's event for the 2nd time this year**, defeating Netherlands in the final. She made her debut in the competition at this year's event, winning the both matches she contested, defeating Japan's Chiyo Sasaki and partnering Wang to defeat Germany's Katharina Kruger/Britta Wend, both in the group stage.

- Wang is a **2-time Wheelchair World Team Cup champion**, having been part of the Chinese teams that won the title in 2017 and 2024, defeating Netherlands in the final on both occasions. She made her debut in the competition in 2016.
- Guo/Wang are coached by Dong Fuli.

COURT SUZANNE LENGLEN – QUAD SINGLES BRONZE MEDAL MATCH NO. 3 GUY SASSON (ISR) v AHMET KAPLAN (TUR)

Head-to-head: Sasson leads 2-0

A 3rd meeting between Sasson and Kaplan, a first at the Paralympics, but a 3rd on clay. Sasson won both previous meetings, 61 62 in the final at the 2023 Kros Medical Open (TUR) and 63 62 in the final at the French Riviera Open this year.

Route to the bronze medal match

SASSON	Time		Time	KAPLAN
d. Francisco Cayulef 62 63	1:31	1st round	0:53	d. David Wagner 61 62
d. Gregory Slade 61 62	1:00	Quarterfinals	2:07	d. No. 4 Andy Lapthorne 64 36 63
l. No. 1 Sam Schroder 76(1) 64	2:18	Semifinals	0:57	l. No. 2 Niels Vink 61 61
total time on court	4:49	Time by Omega	3:57	total time on court

- **SASSON** is bidding to win his first Paralympic medal.
- Sasson is bidding to become the **2nd Israeli player to win a Paralympic singles medal since wheelchair tennis became a full-medal sport in 1992** – after Noam Gershony, who won the quad singles gold medal at London 2012.
- By reaching the semifinals here, Sasson has already become the **3rd Israeli player to contest a Paralympic singles medal match** – after Gershony and Shraga Weinberg, who finished in 4th place in the quad singles at London 2012.
- Sasson is making his **2nd Paralympic appearance – but his first in the quad category**. Sasson’s only previous Paralympic appearance came at Tokyo 2020, when he fell to Daisuke Arai in the 1st round of the men’s singles and, alongside Adam Berdichevsky, reached the 2nd round of the men’s doubles (d. Rafael Medeiros/Mauricio Pomme, l. Tom Egberink/Maikel Scheffers).
- Sasson won his **first Grand Slam singles title at Roland Garros this year** (d. Schroder). He has made 4 Grand Slam appearances, finishing runner-up on his Australian Open debut this year (l. Schroder), reaching the semifinals on his Wimbledon debut this year (d. Donald Ramphadi, l. Niels Vink), and reaching the quarterfinals on his Grand Slam debut at the 2023 US Open (d. Tomas Masaryk, l. Schroder).
- Sasson’s **other highlights in 2024** are winning 4 other titles – one at ITF Super Series-level, at the French Riviera Open (FRA) (d. Ahmet Kaplan), and 3 at ITF1 Series-level, at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (AUS) (d. Heath Davidson), the Georgia Open (USA) (d. Andy Lapthorne), and the Seoul Korea Open (KOR) (d. Davidson). He also finished runner-up at the Japan Open (l. Schroder), reached the semifinals at the Cajun Classic (USA) (l. Vink), and the quarterfinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (l. Vink).
- Sasson reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 in January this year and plays here at the same ranking.
- Sasson was **part of the Israeli team that finished as runners-up in the quad event at the Wheelchair World Team Cup in 2023**. He has played World Team Cup for Israel since 2017, playing in the men’s category from 2017-22, and in the quad category since 2023. He has a 4-1 win-loss record in quad singles matches in the competition and a 14-10 win-loss record in the competition in singles overall across men’s and quad singles.
- Sasson is coached by Ofri Lankri.
- **KAPLAN** is bidding to win his first Paralympic medal on his Paralympic debut.
- Kaplan is bidding to become the **first Turkish player to win a medal at the Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event**. Turkiye would become the 14th nation to win a medal since wheelchair tennis became a full-medal event in 1992, after South Africa became the 13th nation to win a Paralympic medal when Donald Ramphadi/Lucas Sithole won the quad doubles bronze on Wednesday.
- Kaplan has made **3 Grand Slam appearances**, falling in the 1st round of the quad singles event on each occasion – at the 2023 US Open (l. Sam Schroder), the 2024 Australian Open (l. Vink) and 2024 Wimbledon (l. Schroder).

- Kaplan has **won 5 singles titles in 2024** – including his first title at ITF1 Series-level, at the Open International de Royan (FRA) (d. Shaw). He also reached the final at Barcelona (ESP) (l. Vink) and the French Riviera Open (l. Guy Sasson) and has won 4 other titles at either ITF2 Series-level or ITF3 Series-level this season.
- Sasson reached a **career-high singles ranking** of No. 5 in August this year and plays here at the same ranking.
- Kaplan has **played Wheelchair World Team Cup for Turkiye since 2022** and has a 13-5 win-loss record in singles matches in the competition. He was a member of the first Turkish team to reach a World Team Cup final in any category, with the quad team finishing as runners-up to Chile in 2024.
- Kaplan is coached by Zuzana Zlochova.

COURT SUZANNE LENGLEN – MEN’S SINGLES SEMIFINAL NO. 1 ALFIE HEWETT (GBR) v NO. 3 MARTIN DE LA PUENTE (ESP)

Head-to-head: Hewett leads 22-1

A 24th meeting for Hewett and De La Puente at all levels including juniors, but their first at the Paralympics. This is their 5th meeting on clay, with Hewett leading the head-to-head on the surface 3-1. De La Puente won their first meeting on clay 64 76(4) in the semifinals at the Barcelona Open (ESP) last year, while Hewett won 63 61 in the semifinals at the NEC Wheelchair Singles Masters last year, 26 64 61 in the final at the Wheelchair World Team Cup this year to win seal the title for Great Britain, and 36 61 75 in the semifinals at the French Riviera Open this year.

De La Puente’s win in the semifinals at the Barcelona Open last year remains his only win against Hewett at an level. Before that meeting, Hewett won their first 13 matches at all levels, and has won their last 9 meetings since that defeat.

This is their 12th consecutive meeting in the semifinals or final at an event.

Route to the semifinals

HEWETT	Time		Time	DE LA PUENTE
BYE	-	1st round	-	BYE
d. Sergei Lysov 60 61	0:53	2nd round	1:05	d. Ezequiel Casco 62 60
d. No. 16 Daisuke Arai 75 62	2:01	3rd round	1:09	d. No. 15 Maikel Scheffers 62 62
d. No. 10 Ruben Spaargaren 61 64	1:15	Quarterfinals	2:02	d. No. 7 Stephane Houdet 62 46 61
total time on court	4:09	Time by Omega	4:16	total time on court

- **HEWETT** is bidding to reach the men’s singles final at the Paralympics for the 2nd time. This is his 3rd Paralympics appearance.
- Hewett is bidding to become the **5th player to reach multiple men’s singles finals at the Paralympics** – after Shingo Kunieda (3 Paralympic singles finals appearances), Robin Ammerlaan, David Hall and Stephen Welch (all 2).
- Hewett is bidding to become the **first player to reach the Paralympic men’s singles and doubles finals at the same Games on multiple occasions.**

Players reaching the men’s singles and doubles finals at the same Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event

Player	Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event
Randy Snow	Barcelona 1992
Stephen Welch	Atlanta 1996
David Hall	Sydney 2000
Alfie Hewett	Rio 2016, Paris 2024??
Gordon Reid	Rio 2016
Tokito Oda	Paris 2024??

- Hewett is also bidding to become the **7th player across all wheelchair tennis categories to reach the Paralympic singles and doubles finals at the same Games on multiple occasions** – after Esther Vergeer (reached women’s singles and doubles finals at Sydney 2000, Athens 2004, Beijing 2008 and London 2012), David Wagner (quad at Athens 2004 and London 2012), Aniek van Koot (women’s at London 2012 and Rio 2016), Dylan Alcott (quad at Rio 2016 and Tokyo 2020), Sam Schroder (quad at Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024) and De Groot (women’s at Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024).

Players reaching the singles and doubles finals at the same Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event at multiple Games

Player	Category	Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event
Esther Vergeer	Women’s	Sydney 2000, Athens 2004, Beijing 2008, London 2012
David Wagner	Quad	Athens 2004, London 2012
Aniek van Koot	Women’s	London 2012, Rio 2016
Dylan Alcott	Quad	Rio 2016, Tokyo 2020
Sam Schroder	Quad	Tokyo 2020, Paris 2024
Diede de Groot	Women’s	Tokyo 2020, Paris 2024
Alfie Hewett	Men’s	Rio 2016, Paris 2024??

- Hewett **won the singles silver medal at Rio 2016**, where he fell to Reid in the gold medal match. He also finished in 4th place at Tokyo 2020, where he fell to Tom Egberink in the semifinals and to Reid in the bronze medal match. He is making his 3rd Paralympic appearance here.
- Hewett is in **2nd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam wheelchair men's singles titles won** behind Kunieda, who won 28 Grand Slam singles titles. He has won 9 Grand Slam titles – 4 at the US Open, 3 at Roland Garros, and one each at the Australian Open and Wimbledon.
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, Hewett won the title at Wimbledon (d. De La Puente), finished runner-up at the Australian Open (l. Oda) and reached the semifinals at Roland Garros (l. Gustavo Fernandez).
- Hewett's **other highlights in 2024** are winning 6 other titles – at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (AUS) (d. De La Puente), Rotterdam (NED) (d. Gerard), the Georgia Open (USA) (d. Oda), the Cajun Classic (USA) (d. Oda), Rome (ITA) (d. Fernandez), and Eastbourne (GBR) (d. Fernandez). He also finished runner-up at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (l. Oda), the Japan Open (l. Oda), the French Riviera Open (FRA) (l. Oda) and Roehampton (GBR), where he gave a walkover to Fernandez.
- Hewett reached the **world No. 1 singles ranking** for the first time in January 2018, and plays here at No. 1.
- Hewett is a **4-time Wheelchair World Team Cup champion**. He was a member of the British teams which won the men's event in 2015 (d. France), 2019 (d. France), 2023 (d. Netherlands) and 2024 (d. Spain). He made his debut in the competition in 2015 and has a 44-4 win-loss record in the competition.
- Hewett is coached by Craig Allen in singles.
- **DE LA PUENTE** is bidding to reach the men's singles final at the Paralympics for the first time. This is his 3rd Paralympics appearance.
- De La Puente is bidding to become the **first Spanish player to reach a Paralympic final in any wheelchair tennis category**, in singles or doubles.
- By reaching the men's singles semifinals, De La Puente has already become the **first Spanish player to reach a Paralympic singles semifinal in any wheelchair tennis category**. He has also ensured that he will be the first Spanish player to contest a Paralympic singles medal match.
- De La Puente is making his **3rd Paralympic appearance**, having made his Paralympic debut at Rio 2016. He reached the 3rd round at Tokyo 2020 (l. Houdet) and the 2nd round at Rio 2016 (d. Carlos Santos, l. Fernandez).
- De La Puente's **best Paralympic singles result** is reaching the 3rd round at Tokyo 2020 (l. Stephane Houdet). He reached the 2nd round in the men's singles on his Paralympic debut, at Rio 2016 (d. Carlos Santos, l. Gustavo Fernandez).
- De La Puente reached his **first Grand Slam singles final** at Wimbledon this year, falling to Hewett in the final.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams this year**, De La Puente fell in the 1st round at both the Australian Open (l. Gerard) and Roland Garros (l. Miki).
- De La Puente's **best results in 2024** are winning 3 titles – at Munich (GER) (d. Gordon Reid), the Open International de Royan (FRA) (d. Fernandez), and the Swiss Open (d. Reid). He also finished runner-up at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (AUS) (l. Hewett), Barcelona (ESP) (l. Fernandez) and Wimbledon, reached the semifinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (l. Tokito Oda), Rotterdam (NED) (l. Gerard), the Georgia Open (USA) (l. Oda), the Cajun Classic (USA) (l. Oda), the Japan Open (l. Hewett), Rome (ITA) (l. Fernandez), the French Riviera Open (l. Hewett) and Roehampton (GBR) (l. Reid), and reached the quarterfinals at the Seoul Korea Open (l. Miki).
- De La Puente reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 a week after reaching his first Grand Slam singles final at Wimbledon in July, and plays here at the same ranking.
- De La Puente was **part of the Spanish teams that finished runner-up at the Wheelchair World Team Cup in 2021, 2022 and 2024**, falling to Netherlands on the first 2 occasions and to Great Britain this year. He made his Wheelchair World Team Cup debut in 2015 and has a 46-20 overall win-loss record in the competition.
- De La Puente is coached by Fernando San Martin.