

Press Release

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Array of British players confirmed to play at Wimbledon

- *Initial list of 42 British names set to participate at The Championships, Wimbledon, with more to come, including men's and women's doubles (Friday 23 June) and junior wild cards*
- *Eight men in singles main draw as Liam Broady, Jan Choinski, Ryan Peniston, George Loffhagen and Arthur Fery awarded wild cards*
- *Katie Boulter, Jodie Burrage, Harriet Dart, Katie Swan and Heather Watson receive wild cards into women's main draw*
- *Cameron Norrie, Dan Evans and Andy Murray, already direct acceptances*
- *Alfie Hewett and Gordon Reid will lead the charge for Britain in the wheelchair events*

A collection of rising stars on the LTA's Player Pathway and established players have joined a list of names on The All England Lawn Tennis Club's initial list of wild cards and direct acceptances into The Championships, Wimbledon 2023 singles main draw and qualifying events.

Cameron Norrie, Dan Evans and Andy Murray lead the challenge for Britain in the Men's Singles, with the trio all in the top 40 of the ATP rankings and already assured of their place in the draw.

Now Liam Broady, Jan Choinski, Ryan Peniston, George Loffhagen and Arthur Fery have been awarded wild cards into the main draw, after all five served up impressive performances in 2023 that have continued on grass courts at the LTA's summer events at the LTA's Lexus Surbiton Trophy, the Rothesay Open in Nottingham and the cinch Championships at The Queen's Club. Had the injured world No.56 Jack Draper been fit to play, nine would have tied the biggest number of British men in the singles draw for 17 years.

Wimbledon qualifying wild cards have been awarded to British players Billy Harris, Toby Samuel, Johannus Monday with LTA 18 & Under Junior Nationals champion Luca Pow, who trains at the LTA National Academy in Loughborough, also set to play in qualifying. Two additional places will be awarded to the finalists from the Wimbledon Wild card Play Offs taking place later this week.

Five British women receive wild cards, led by world No.77 Katie Boulter (who improved 49 spots by winning the LTA's Rothesay Open in Nottingham last weekend), then Jodie Burrage, Harriet Dart, Katie Swan and Heather Watson, all five currently ranked inside the world's Top 150. Qualifying wild cards will go to at least six other Brits, including Sonay Kartal, Isabelle Lacy (by virtue of her win at the LTA's 18 & Under Junior Nationals), Hannah Klugman (the runner-up in the same event) and last year's winner, Mimi Xu. Like with the men, two additional places will be awarded to the finalists from the Wimbledon Wild Card Play Offs taking place later this week.

Five players awarded wild cards are supported by the [LTA's Pro Scholarship Programme](#), the highest level of support offered to develop players by the LTA. It is offered to players aged between 16 and 24 with the best chance of reaching the ATP/WTA top 100 singles within five

years. Kartal, Xu, Dart, Burrage and Fery are all either currently on the programme or due to join shortly, while previously Cam Norrie, Emma Raducanu, Jack Draper, Katie Boulter and Katie Swan have graduated from it. For more established players, they benefit from [LTA Elite Support](#).

Others selected for wild cards, such as Lacy and Klugman are part of the [LTA's Men's and Women's programme](#), while Pow and Xu are currently of the [LTA National Academy](#). Full details on the pathways supporting Britain's performance players available [HERE](#).

Meanwhile, members of the LTA's Wheelchair Elite programme, Alfie Hewett, Andy Lapthorne, Gordon Reid, and Lucy Shuker (the latter two as wild cards) assured of vocal home support as they lead the British challenge in the wheelchair and Quad events, along with debutante Greg Slade receiving a wild card into the Quad singles.

Current list of British main draw entries and wild cards below, with potentially more to follow prior to The Championships, once Junior wild cards, doubles and qualifiers are known:

Men's Main Draw (LTA Supported programme – region)

Cameron Norrie (**Elite** – Scotland West)
Dan Evans (**Elite** - Warwickshire)
Andy Murray (**Elite** – Scotland West)
Liam Broady (**Pro Access** – Greater Manchester)
Jan Choinski (**Pro Access** – Hampshire)
Ryan Peniston (**Pro Access** – Essex)
George Loffhagen (Middlesex)
Arthur Fery (**PSP** - Surrey)

Men's Qualifying

Billy Harris (Top 25/NCAA - Isle of Man)
Toby Samuel (Top 25/NCAA – Dorset)
Johannus Monday (Top 25/NCAA – Yorkshire)
Luca Pow (**National Academy** - Warwickshire)

Men's Doubles

Julian Cash/Luke Johnson
Liam Broady/Jonny O'Mara
Johannus Monday/Jacob Fearnley
Toby Samuel/Connor Thomson

Women's Main Draw

Katie Boulter (**Pro Access** - Leicestershire)
Jodie Burrage (**PSP** - Surrey)
Harriet Dart (**PSP** – Middlesex)
Katie Swan (**Pro Access** - Avon)
Heather Watson (**Pro Access** – Guernsey)

Women's Qualifying

Sonay Kartal (**PSP** - Sussex)
Isabelle Lacy (**MWP** – Surrey)
Hannah Klugman (**MWP** – Surrey)
Mimi Xu (**National Academy** - South Wales)

Women's Doubles

Lissey Barnett / Olivia Nicholls
Harriet Dart / Heather Watson
Freya Christie / Ali Collins
Emily Appleton / Jodie Burrage
Naiktha Bains / Maia Lumsden

Men's Wheelchair Singles

Alfie Hewett (**WE** - Norfolk)
Gordon Reid (**WE** - Scotland)

Quad Wheelchair Singles

Andy Lapthorne (**WE** - Middlesex)
Greg Slade (**WPPP** – Surrey)

Women's Wheelchair Singles

Lucy Shuker (**WE** - Somerset)

Girls' singles

Ella McDonald (**National Academy** – Lancashire)
Ranah Stoiber (**MWP** – Middlesex)
Mimi Xu (**National Academy** - South Wales)

Boys' singles

Henry Searle (**National Academy** – Staffordshire)
Oliver Bonding (**NAGP U16** – Surrey)

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