

# **LTA Daily Brit Player Media Notes**

## **Rothesay Open Nottingham - Sunday**

### KATIE BOULTER (GBR) v JODIE BURRGE (GBR)

Head-to-head: Boulter leads 2-0

Previous meeting: 2023 W60 Canberra, Australia. Final (Hard) - Boulter won 36 63 62

#### Katie Boulter biography HERE

2023 highlights:

- Boulter kicked off her year by winning the seventh ITF title of her career at the W60Canberra event.
- She was selected to represent Great Britain in their Billie Jean King Cup qualifying tie against France at the Coventry Building Society Arena.
- Boulter blitzed through to the final at the W80 Gifu tournament last month, where she was beaten in the final by Japan's Himeno Sakatsume. It was the biggest singles' final to date in her career. Boulter then made it through to another ITF W60 Final a week later, withdrawing due to injury.
- Boulter made it through to the semi-finals of the LTA's Lexus Surbiton Trophy last week, losing to eventual champion Yanina Wickmayer.
- Boulter is a graduate of the <u>LTA Pro Scholarship Programme</u>, the highest level of support offered to developing players aged between 16 and 24 with the best chance of reaching the ATP/WTA top 100 singles.
- This is her first appearance in an WTA Tour Final.
- Her biggest rankings win of 2023 came against world No.111 Diane Parry in the qualifying rounds at Indian Wells in March.

#### Jodie Burrage biography <u>HERE</u>

Career highlights:

- This is her first appearance in an WTA Tour Final.
- Burrage breezed through the opening two rounds at the W60 Croissy-Beaubourg event in April before facing Italy's Lucia Bronzetti in a bid for the title. In the final, Burrage overcame the Italian 36 64 60 to claim the fifth ITF singles title of her career and take her to a new career-high ranking of world No.109.
- Burrage started her 2023 off with a lengthy run to the final of the W60 Canberra event, where she lost out to fellow Brit, Katie Boulter 36 63 62.
- Burrage will achieve a career high in the WTA rankings if she wins today's Final.
- Her biggest ranking win of 2023 came against world No.21 Magda Linette in the last-16 of the Rothesay Open Nottingham.

#### Additional information:

- There have only been two WTA-level all-British finals; 1977 (San Francisco) Barker d Wade 63 64 and 1975 (Paris Indoors) Wade d Barker 61 67(3) 97.
- The winner of today's Rothesay Open Nottingham women's final will be British No.1 on Monday morning.

### ANDY MURRAY (GBR) v ARTHUR CAZAUX (FRA)

Head to Head: First meeting

Andy Murray biography <u>HERE</u> 2023 highlights:

- Murray's first title of 2023 came in the ATP Challenger event in Aix-en-Provence, beating Tommy Paul <u>26 61 62</u> in May.
- He enjoyed an impressive run to the final of Qatar Open, losing to Daniil Medvedev. Thrilling performances at Australian Open included five-set wins over Matteo Berrettini and Thanasi Kokkinakis.
- Murray won his second ATP Challenger title of the year on Sunday at <u>the LTA's Lexus</u> <u>Surbiton Trophy</u>.
- Murray, 36, became the oldest grass-court winner in ATP Challenger history with his win at Surbiton. The previous oldest was 33-year-old Antony Dupuis at the Nottingham Open in 2006.
- Murray is on a nine-match winning run on grass courts, his best since 2016 when he won the Queen's Club Championships and Wimbledon.
- Murray aiming to follow in the footsteps of Britain's Dan Evans, who won last year's Rothesay Open Nottingham title.
- Murray is aiming to win back-to-back titles for the first time since Vienna and Paris in 2016.
- Murray's best ranking win of 2023 came against world No.13 Matteo Berrettini in the Australian Open first round.

#### Arthur Cazaux biography HERE

Career highlights:

- After peaking at No. 4 in juniors, he achieved career-high No.190 in ATP rankings in May 2023.
- Cazaux beat countryman Adrian Mannarino on his ATP Tour main draw debut at 2021 Geneva as 18-year-old wild card.
- He went 122-48 on ITF Junior Circuit, highlighted by run to 2020 Australian Open boys' singles final.
- Cazaux a practice session with Murray at the ATP Challenger event in Aix-en-Provence last month.
- His biggest win of 2023 came against France's world No.89 Arthur Rinderknech in the ATP Challenger in Bordeaux last month.

#### Additional information:

List of male players who have won back-to-back titles on grass at ATP Tour and ATP Challenger level:

2019 - Dan Evans (Surbiton & Nottingham)

2016 - Yen-Hsun Lu (Surbiton & Ilkley)

On the ATP Tour side (including Wimbledon):

- 2022 Matteo Berrettini (Stuttgart & Queen's Club)
- 2016 Andy Murray (Queen's Club & Wimbledon)
- 2013 Murray (Queen's Club & Wimbledon)
- 2008 Rafael Nadal (Queen's Club & Wimbledon)
- 2006 Roger Federer (Halle & Wimbledon)
- 2005 Federer (Halle & Wimbledon)
- 2004 Federer (Halle & Wimbledon)
- 2003 Federer (Halle & Wimbledon)
- 2002 Lleyton Hewitt (Queen's Club & Wimbledon)
- 2001 Hewitt (Queen's Club & 's-Hertogenbosch)