

# CINCH CHAMPIONSHIPS – ATP MEDIA NOTES DAY 4 – THURSDAY 20 JUNE 2024

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### **CINCH CHAMPIONSHIPS TALKING POINTS**

- Reigning champion and No. 1 seed Carlos Alcaraz takes on new British No. 1 Jack Draper in their third
  Lexus ATP Head2Head meeting, with the younger Spaniard winning both previous encounters. Draper aims
  to record the biggest win of his career and become the first Brit to defeat a Top-2 player on grass courts since
  Andy Murray beat No. 1 Novak Djokovic to capture the 2013 Wimbledon title.
- Both arrive into the match on winning streaks, Alcaraz on an 8-match winning streak, following his 3rd Grand Slam title at Roland Garros, while Draper looks to extend his 6-match winning streak after winning his 1st ATP Tour title in Stuttgart last week. Alcaraz also aims to extend his perfect 13-0 record on grass since start of 2023 and aims to reach the quarter-finals stage at 7th of 8 tournaments played this season.
- Second of two Brits in action on Day 4 is World No. 162 Billy Harris, who takes on qualifier Giovanni Mpetshi
  Perricard. Harris earned the biggest win of career over No. 32 Etcheverry in 1R and now seeks his 1st ATP
  Tour QF to become the 3rd-lowest-ranked cinch Championships quarter-finalist since 2020 behind
  compatriots No. 309 Draper in 2021 and No. 180 Peniston in 2022.
- Alejandro Tabilo takes on World No. 13 Tommy Paul in their first meeting. Tabilo aims to reach his first ATP Tour QF on grass courts and join Fernando Gonzalez (2006-07) as the only Chilean quarter-finalists in event's Open Era history. The Chilean No. 2 is 2-4 vs. Top 20 players this season, earning both wins over No. 1 Djokovic and No. 18 Khachanov en route to ATP Masters 1000 Rome SF.
- With two Americans, No. 4 seed Taylor Fritz and Sebastian Korda, already in the quarter-finals, Paul and Brandon Nakashima aim to join the pair in the next round. If both successfully advance, it will mark the first time 4+ Americans advanced to Queen's Club quarter-finals since 1987 (Annacone, Connors, Mayotte, Seguso and Wilkison).

## LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: THURSDAY SECOND-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

#### Alejandro Tabilo (CHI) vs [5] Tommy Paul (USA)

**First Meeting** 

Alejandro Tabilo | Age: 27 | World No. 24 (Career-High) | 2024: 20-11 (Auckland Title) | Queen's: 1-1 (2024 2R) > Toronto-born Chilean broke into Top 100 in February 2022, achieving career-high No. 24 in May 2024 soon after defeating No. 1 Djokovic for biggest win of career en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2024 Rome.

- > Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2024 Auckland as Q, becoming the 1st Chilean to win a title on hard courts since Gonzalez in 2007.
- > Earned 6 straight-set wins including 5 over Argentines en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2022 Cordoba as Q.
- > Defeated countryman Garin en route to 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2022 Santiago as WC, then reached 2024 Santiago final
- > Qualified at Australian Open in 2020 and 2022, earning 5-set win over fellow South American Galan in Grand Slam main draw debut.
- > Represented Canada throughout junior career, peaking at No. 29 in junior rankings during 2015 season.

**NOTE:** Tabilo is 3-9 vs. Top 20 players in his career, playing in his first match vs. a Top 20 player on grass. He aims to earn consecutive ATP Tour wins on grass for the first time (d. Davidovich Fokina in 1R) and advance to his 8th ATP Tour QF (5-1 + 1 W/O win), first on grass.



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**Tommy Paul** | Age: 27 | World No. 13 | Career-High No. 12 | 2024: 23-10 (Dallas Title) | Queen's: 3-2 (2022 QF) > Former World No. 3 junior achieved career-high No. 12 in October 2023 after becoming 1st American man to reach

Australian Open SF since Roddick in 2009 earlier in the season.

> Owns 7-10 record vs. Top 5, including biggest win of career over World No. 1 Alcaraz to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF in 2023 Toronto.

- > Defeated junior rivals Fritz and Tiafoe en route to 1st ATP Tour final and title at 2021 Stockholm.
- > Captured 2nd ATP Tour title at 2024 Dallas and reached ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2024 Indian Wells and 2024 Rome, defeating defending champion No. 4 Medvedev in Rome 4R.
- > Won 2015 Roland Garros boys' singles title (d. Fritz), advanced to 2015 Roland Garros boys' doubles final w/Blumberg and reached 2015 US Open boys' singles final (l. to Fritz).

**NOTE**: Paul bids to advance to back-to-back quarter-finals after reaching the stage in 's-Hertogenbosch last week. Searching for 34th tour-level quarter-final (12-21), he attempts to join Fritz and Korda to mark the first time three Americans reach the Queen's Club quarter-finals since 2009 (Blake, Fish, Roddick).

### [1] Carlos Alcaraz (ESP) vs Jack Draper (GBR)

**Alcaraz Leads 2-0** 

22 Basel (Switzerland) Hard R32 Carlos Alcaraz 3-6 6-2 7-5 23 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.) Hard R16 Carlos Alcaraz 6-2 2-0 RET

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Insight from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Carlos Alcaraz	24%	70%	39%	7.7	7.7	8.7	8.1
Jack Draper	23%	69%	36%	8.1	6.9	7.7	7.5
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.5	7.2

Draper has attacked the grass court season, In Attack up to 28% and Conversion up to 76% in his 6 matches so far. Those stats are going up against the defence of Alcaraz, whose Steal score at the 2023 Cinch Championships, was 38%, only 1% lower than his 52-week average.

Carlos Alcaraz | Age: 21 | World No. 2 | Career-High No. 1 | 2024: 26-5 (2 Titles) | Queen's: 6-0 (2023 Title) > Youngest and first teenage World No. 1 and year-end No. 1 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973), making record rise from No. 32 at end of 2021 to No. 1 at age 19 in September 2022, then remaining atop rankings through end of season and later earning a total of 36 weeks.

- > Earned fifth-set wins over Sinner in SF and Zverev in final to win 3rd Grand Slam title at 2024 Roland Garros and at 21 years of age became the youngest man to win Grand Slam titles on all three surfaces.
- > Became third Spanish man in Wimbledon history to win the singles title after Nadal (2008, 2010) and Santana (1966), defeating 7-time champion Djokovic in a 5-set battle for his 2nd Grand Slam title.
- > Beat Ruud in 2022 US Open final for No. 1 ranking, becoming youngest men's champion at US Open since Sampras, 19, in 1990 and at any Grand Slam event since Nadal, 19, at 2005 Roland Garros.
- > Youngest player to defeat both Nadal and Djokovic and 1st to do so at same clay-court event, beating them on back-to-back days en route to 2nd ATP Masters 1000 title at 2022 Madrid.
- > Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2021 US Open, becoming youngest men's quarter-finalist at US Open since Koch, 18, in 1963 (Amateur Era) and at any Grand Slam since Chang, 18, at 1990 Roland Garros.

**NOTE**: Alcaraz is on an 8-match winning streak after winning 3rd Grand Slam title at Roland Garros on clay two weeks ago. He owns a 17-2 career record on grass, including 13-0 vs. players ranked outside Top 20.

Jack Draper | Age: 22 | World No. 31 (Career-High) | 2024: 19-12 (Stuttgart Title) | Queen's: 4-2 (2021 QF)

- > Achieved new career-high ranking 22 times in 2022, breaking into Top 200 in February, Top 100 in June and Top 50 in September before peaking at No. 31 in June 2024 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2024 Stuttgart.
- > Earned 1st ATP Tour final at 2023 Sofia and reached his 2nd final at 2024 Adelaide in his following event, before defeating two-time champion Berrettini in 2024 Stuttgart final for 1st title.
- > In 2022, advanced to 1st ATP Tour SF at Eastbourne as WC, earned biggest win of career over No. 5 Tsitsipas en route to Montreal QF as Q, and defeated No. 8 Auger-Aliassime to reach US Open 3R.
- > Defeated both Sinner and Bublik in 2 TBs for 1st and 2nd ATP Tour wins of career, reaching 2021 London/Queen's Club QF as 309th-ranked WC.

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> Ended junior career by achieving career-high No. 7 and reaching 2018 Wimbledon boys' singles final (d. Mejia 7-6 6-7 19-17 in SF).

**NOTE**: Draper is on a 6-match winning streak after winning his 1st ATP Tour title in Stuttgart last week. He is 2-11 vs. Top 10 players, seeking first win since defeating No. 8 Auger-Aliassime at 2022 US Open. The 22-year-old aims to earn personal-best 20 wins in a season for the first time (2022, 2023, 2024 – 19).

# [Q] Giovanni Mpetshi Perricard (FRA) vs [WC] Billy Harris (GBR) First Meeting

- **G. Mpetshi Perricard** | Age: 20 | World No. 67 | Career-High No. 66 | 2024: 5-2 (Lyon Title) | Queen's: 1-0 (2024 2R) > Broke into Top 500 in July 2022, Top 200 in October 2023 and Top 100 at career-high No. 66 in May 2024 after
- saving a championship point to capture 1st ATP Tour title in his hometown of Lyon as No. 117-ranked WC.
- > En route to Lyon title, earned first Top 30 wins of career over No. 19 Bublik in SF and No. 29 Etcheverry in the final.
- > Earned 1st ATP Tour win over Carballes Baena in 1R and defeated former-Top 10 player Goffin in 2R to reach his 1st ATP Tour QF at 2023 Antwerp.
- > Made tour-level debut at 2023 Roland Garros as WC, losing to Olivieri in 1R in five sets.
- > Owns 50-33 Challenger record (4-0 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Leon, 2024 Nottingham, 2024 Cuernavaca, and 2024 Acapulco.
- > Peaked at No. 4 in junior rankings during 2021 season, after advancing to 2021 Roland Garros boys' singles SF (I. to Fils) and winning the boys' doubles title w/Fils.

**NOTE:** Mpetshi Perricard earned biggest win of career over No. 14 Shelton in 1R to record 1st ATP Tour grass win and now aims to reach his 3rd ATP Tour QF after reaching the stage at 2023 Antwerp on indoor hard courts (I. to Bublik) and 2024 Lyon on clay (d. Etcheverry in the final).

Billy Harris | Age: 29 | World No. 162 (Career-High) | 2024: 1-0 (Queen's 2R) | Queen's: 1-0 (2024 2R)

- > Earned 1st ranking point at age 20 in 2015, broke into Top 500 in December 2021 and Top 200 in December 2023, earning a career-high No. 162 in June 2024 after reaching back-to-back Challenger SFs in Surbiton and Nottingham.
- > Qualified to make ATP Tour debut at 2023 Sofia, defeating Huesler in 1R for first tour-level win of career.
- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 32 Etcheverry in 2024 London/Queen's Club 1R as WC.
- > Owns 46-50 Challenger record (0-1 in finals), reaching 1st SF and final at 2023 Les Franqueses Del Valles as Q and 172-131 record on ITF World Tennis Tour (5-6 in finals), winning most recent title at 2022 M25 Nottingham.
- > Spent first few years of professional career driving around European events in his van.

**NOTE**: Harris earned biggest win of career over No. 32 Etcheverry in 1R to earn his 2nd ATP Tour win. The 29-year-old now aims to reach his 1st ATP Tour QF. He advanced 18 spots to No. 144 on <u>PIF ATP Live Rankings</u> and could reach No. 138 with 2R win.

# [SE] Brandon Nakashima (USA) vs Lorenzo Musetti (ITA) Other Meeting

**First Tour-Level Meeting** 

18 ITF Junior Masters (China)

Hard RR

Brandon Nakashima

4-6 6-3 6-3

Insight from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Brandon							
Nakashima	25%	67%	31%	8.3	6.2	7.5	6.9
Lorenzo Musetti	22%	68%	34%	7.4	6.6	8.2	7.4
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.5	7.2

Insights point towards Nakashima aiming to dominate with his serve and creating a significant advantage In Attack. Musetti, meanwhile will seek to shift the balance of play pushing Nakashima into defence, where his steal score is below the Tour average.

**Brandon Nakashima** | Age: 22 | World No. 63 | Career-High No. 43 | 2024: 9-8 (Stuttgart SF) | Queen's: 1-0 (2024 2R) > Former World No. 3 junior broke into Top 50 in July 2022 and achieved career-high No. 43 in October 2022, ending season on 16-1 run in tiebreaks.

- > Returned to Milan and went 5-0 to capture 2022 Next Gen ATP Finals title after reaching SF in 2021.
- > Defeated countryman Giron to win 1st ATP Tour title in hometown of San Diego in 2022.
- > Played in back-to-back ATP Tour finals at Los Cabos and Atlanta as 19-year-old in 2021, becoming youngest American to reach multiple finals since Roddick in 2001-02.



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> Reached Roland Garros 3R, Wimbledon 4R and US Open 3R in 2022, highlighted by first Top 20 wins of career over No. 16 Shapovalov in Wimbledon 2R and No. 19 Dimitrov in US Open 2R.

**NOTE:** Nakashima looks for 14th ATP Tour QF, first above ATP 250 level. He is 5-0 vs. players with a one-handed backhand this year after going 1-4 against them in 2023. After reaching Stuttgart SF last week, he aims to make ATP Tour QFs in back-to-back weeks for the third time in career (2021 Los Cabos-Atlanta, 2022 Atlanta-Los Cabos).

**Lorenzo Musetti** | Age: 22 | World No. 30 | Career-High No. 15 | 2024: 15-16 (Stuttgart SF) | Queen's: 3-2 (2023 QF) > Former World No. 1 junior broke into Top 20 in January 2023 and achieved career-high No. 15 in June after earning personal-best 34 wins during 2022 season.

- > Defeated 19-year-old Alcaraz in 2022 Hamburg final at age 20, marking youngest ATP Tour final since 2005 Bastad (19-year-old Nadal d. 19-year-old Berdych).
- > At 2023 Monte-Carlo, earned 1st 6-0 6-0 victory at an ATP Masters 1000 event since 2016 over Nardi in 2R before upsetting No. 1 Djokovic in 3R for biggest win of career to reach 2nd ATP Masters 1000 QF.
- > Did not drop a set en route to 2nd ATP title at 2022 Naples, defeating countryman and United Cup teammate Berrettini in final on home soil.
- > Advanced to 2021 Roland Garros 4R (I. to No. 1 Djokovic from 2 sets up) and 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Paris QF (d. No. 4 Ruud in 3R).
- > Reached 2018 US Open boys' singles final, won 2019 Australian Open boys' singles title and defeated Wawrinka at 2020 Rome to become 1st player born in 2002 to win an ATP Tour match.

**NOTE**: Musetti defeated No. 7 de Minaur in 1R to record his first Top 10 win on grass. The Italian now looks for 24th ATP Tour QF to join Berrettini (2021-22) as only Italians to reach multiple Queen's Club quarter-finals in Open Era.