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### CINCH CHAMPIONSHIPS TALKING POINTS

- British No. 1 **Jack Draper** captured the biggest win of his career over defending champion and World No. 2 **Carlos Alcaraz** on Thursday. Playing in his second **cinch Championships** quarter-final, the 22-year-old aims to become the first Brit (also Harris) to reach the semi-finals at the event since **Cameron Norrie** in 2021.
- Draper**, who is on a 7-match winning streak after lifting his 1st ATP Tour title in Stuttgart last week, takes on No. 5 seed **Tommy Paul**. Draper leads their **Lexus ATP Head2Head** 3-1, as the pair meets for the first time on a grass court. World No. 13 Paul, one of two seeds remaining in the draw, attempts to advance to his 2nd ATP 500 semi-final, after reaching the final of Acapulco last year (l. to de Minaur).
- Wildcard **Billy Harris** reached his 1st ATP Tour QF and now takes on World No. 30 **Lorenzo Musetti**. The World No. 162 aims to be the 2nd-lowest ranked semi-finalist at the event this century. If both Draper and Harris progress to the next round, they would be the second British pair in Queen’s Club SF in Open Era after **Andy Murray** and **James Ward** in 2011.

#### Lowest-Ranked Queen’s Club Semi-Finalists (since 2000):

Ranking	Player	Year (End Result)
No. 216	James Ward	2011 (l. to Tsonga in SF)
No. 113	Feliciano Lopez	2019 (d. Simon in final)
No. 106	Nicolas Mahut	2007 (l. to Roddick in final)

- Lorenzo Musetti** and No. 4 seed **Taylor Fritz** are the only previous ATP 500 champions left in the draw. Musetti won the 2022 Hamburg title on red clay and now looks for his biggest grass semi-final of career. Fritz won the 2022 Tokyo title on hard courts and will take on **Jordan Thompson** in the first match on Centre Court on Friday. American No. 1 won their latest match played in Washington last year in straight sets.
- Last year’s semi-finalist **Sebastian Korda** takes on qualifier **Rinky Hijikata** in their first **Lexus ATP Head2Head** meeting. Korda aims to become the first American to reach consecutive semi-finals at the event since **Andy Roddick** reached the stage every year from 2003 to 2009. Hijikata attempts to record his biggest win of career and become the first qualifier to reach the semi-finals since **Hyung-Taik Lee** in 2004.

### LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES QUARTER-FINALS

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Insight from their 2023 Washington QF:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Taylor Fritz	24%	75%	41%	8.2	5.8	7.5	7.5
Jordan Thompson	18%	59%	25%	7.6	6.7	6.9	6.0
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.5	7.2

Fritz dominated this match-up through his Conversion score of 75% (30/40 points). Thompson will need to serve at or above his 52-wk avg. of 8.0 and execute his net game to boost his own Conversion score.

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### Jordan Thompson (AUS) vs [4] Taylor Fritz (USA)

23 Washington (U.S.A.)

Hard QF Taylor Fritz

### Fritz Leads 1-0

6-3 6-3

#### Other Meeting

17 Acapulco Q (Mexico)

Hard Q2 Taylor Fritz

5-7 6-2 6-2

**Jordan Thompson** | Age: 30 | World No. 43 | Career-High No. 32 | 2024: 18-14 (Los Cabos Title) | Queen's: 4-2 (2024 QF)  
> Achieved career-high No. 32 in February 2024 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at age 29 in Los Cabos and becoming the 1st player to win singles and doubles title at same event since compatriot Kyrgios in 2022.  
> Earned personal-best 26 tour-level wins and broke into Top 50 in 2019, highlighted by ending 4-match losing streak in ATP Tour QFs by reaching 1st SF and final in 2019 's-Hertogenbosch.  
> Reached Grand Slam 4R for 1st time at 2020 US Open and ATP Masters 1000 4R for 1st time at 2019 Miami.  
> Upset World No. 1 and 5-time champion Murray at 2017 London/Queen's Club as LL, earning 1st tour-level win over Murray in 21 tries by an Aussie and No. 3 Tsitsipas at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells.  
> In 2018, went 1-11 on ATP Tour and 52-17 on ATP Challenger Tour (3-5 in finals), earning 2nd-most Challenger wins in a single season behind Berlocq's 57 wins in 2010.

**NOTE:** Thompson is aiming to reach 7th ATP Tour SF (3-3), fifth on grass and first above ATP 250 level. He aims to reach 3 ATP Tour semi-finals in a season for the first time in his career (2019, 2024 – 2). He is 11-33 vs. Top 20, 3-7 on grass, including win over No. 15 Rune in 1R this week.

**Taylor Fritz** | Age: 26 | World No. 12 | Career-High No. 5 | 2024: 27-11 (Delray Beach Title) | Queen's: 3-2 (2024 QF)  
> Former World No. 1 junior won 5th ATP Tour title at 2023 Delray Beach to achieve career-high No. 5 and become 1st American in Top 5 since Roddick in September 2009.  
> Defeated No. 2 Nadal en route 2022 Nitto ATP Finals SF after beating him in 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells final to become that event's 1st American men's champion since Agassi in 2001.  
> Advanced to 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2022 Australian Open and 1st Grand Slam QF at 2022 Wimbledon after entering season with 0-7 record in Grand Slam 3R matches.  
> Reached 1st ATP Tour final at 2016 Memphis as 18-year-old WC, becoming youngest American finalist since start of ATP Tour in 1990.  
> Clinched inaugural United Cup for Team USA in 2023 and helped Team World capture Laver Cup in 2022-23.

**NOTE:** Fritz is the highest-ranked player remaining in the draw. He aims to reach his 30th ATP Tour SF (13-16), third on the surface after winning Eastbourne titles in 2019 and 2022.

### [WC] Billy Harris (GBR) vs Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)

### First Meeting

**Billy Harris** | Age: 29 | World No. 162 (Career-High) | 2024: 2-0 (Queen's QF) | Queen's: 2-0 (2024 QF)  
> 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 travelling around Europe in a transit van to save money while competing on the ITF World Tennis Tour.

**NOTE:** Harris is playing in his first ATP Tour QF and aims to earn 1st Top 30 win (d. No. 32 Etcheverry in 1R). He advanced 24 spots to No. 138 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and could jump to No. 114 by becoming the lowest-ranked semi-finalist since No. 216 Ward in 2011.

**Lorenzo Musetti** | Age: 22 | World No. 30 | Career-High No. 15 | 2024: 16-16 (Stuttgart SF) | Queen's: 4-2 (2023-24 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 (l. 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 and now looks for 11th ATP Tour SF (2-9), second on grass after reaching his first grass SF in Stuttgart last week. He is 9-1 vs. players ranked outside Top 20 on grass since the start of 2023 season (l. to No. 95 Berrettini in Stuttgart SF).

**Jack Draper (GBR) vs [5] Tommy Paul (USA)**

23 Adelaide 2 (Australia)	Hard	R16	Jack Draper	6-4 6-4
24 Adelaide (Australia)	Hard	QF	Jack Draper	6-1 6-4
24 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R64	Tommy Paul	6-2 3-6 6-3 7-5
24 Acapulco (Mexico)	Hard	R32	Jack Draper	6-0 6-4

**Draper Leads 3-1**

Insight from their 2024 Acapulco 1R:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Jack Draper	17%	<b>79%</b>	<b>40%</b>	<b>7.4</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>7.9</b>
Tommy Paul	<b>23%</b>	60%	21%	<b>7.4</b>	5.8	7.2	6.8
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.5	7.2

Draper absorbed the Paul attack in Acapulco, attacking efficiently with a 79% Conversion while thriving on the Paul errors. In Attack could hold the key, so far on the grass, in 2024, Paul is +2% on his In Attack avg. of 24%, while Draper, is +6% on his avg. of 23%,

**Jack Draper** | Age: 22 | World No. 31 (Career-High) | 2024: 20-12 (Stuttgart Title) | Queen's: 5-2 (2021, 2024 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.
- > 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 7-match winning streak after winning his 1st ATP Tour title in Stuttgart last week and earning biggest win of career over No. 2 Alcaraz in 2R on Thursday. With 2R win he recorded personal-best 20th win of the season (2022, 2023 – 19). He seeks 7th ATP Tour SF (3-3), second on home soil (2022 Eastbourne).

**Tommy Paul** | Age: 27 | World No. 13 | Career-High No. 12 | 2024: 24-10 (Dallas Title) | Queen's: 4-2 (2022, 2024 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 13th tour-level semi-final (5-7), second on grass (2023 Eastbourne; l. to F. Cerundolo in final). He is one of three Americans in the London/Queen's Club quarter-final lineup, most since 2009 (Blake, Fish, Roddick).

## Sebastian Korda (USA) vs [Q] Rinky Hijikata (AUS)

## First Meeting

**Sebastian Korda** | Age: 23 | World No. 23 (Career-High) | 2024: 21-14 ('s-Hertogenbosch F) | Queen's: 5-1 (2023 SF)  
> Achieved career-high No. 23 in October 2023 after reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at Shanghai.  
> Earned biggest wins of career over Medvedev as No. 3 at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 3R en route to SF and No. 8 at 2023 Australian Open 3R en route to 1st Grand Slam QF.  
> Did not drop a set en route to 2021 Parma title, joining Petr Korda as 3rd father-son duo to win a tour-level championship in Open Era (Phil & Taylor Dent, Ramanathan & Ramesh Krishnan).  
> Advanced to 2020 Roland Garros 4R as Q and 2021 Wimbledon 4R, becoming 3rd men's player in Open Era to reach 4R in debut at both events (Borg in 1973, Pernfors in 1986).  
> Became World No. 1 junior by winning 2018 Australian Open boys' singles title 20 years after his father won Australian Open men's singles title.  
> Father, Petr, peaked at No. 2 on ATP Tour; mother, Regina, peaked at No. 26 in WTA; sister, Nelly, became World No. 1 women's golfer in 2021; sister, Jessica, peaked at No. 8 in women's golf.

**NOTE:** Korda bids to reach his 14th ATP Tour SF (7-5 + 1 W/O loss), third above ATP 250 level (2023 Queen's Club, 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai). He is 17-1 vs. players ranked outside Top 20 since Australian Open this January and he would advance 3 spots to No. 20 on PIF ATP Live Rankings with a QF win.

**Rinky Hijikata** | Age: 23 | World No. 98 | Career-High No. 70 | 2024: 9-12 (3 QFs) | Queen's: 2-0 (2024 QF)  
> Former World No. 9 junior achieved career-high No. 70 in October 2023 soon after reaching US Open 4R.  
> Broke into Top 100 after advancing to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2023 's-Hertogenbosch as LL.  
> Defeated [1] Koolhof/Skupski en route to 2023 Australian Open doubles title in team debut w/Kubler, joining Kokkinakis/Kyrgios as 2nd straight All-Aussie WCs to win their home Grand Slam championship.  
> Also at 2023 Australian Open, rallied from 2 sets down vs. Hanfmann for 1st Grand Slam main draw singles win of career.  
> Won 2 Challenger singles titles on home soil: Playford in October 2022 and Burnie immediately after 2023 Australian Open.  
> Played college tennis at University of North Carolina from 2020-21, earning All-American honours as a sophomore before turning pro.

**NOTE:** Hijikata looks for his 2nd ATP Tour SF (0-1) after 2023 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Thompson). He is 1-10 vs. Top 30 players, earning first Top 30 win this week over No. 28 Tiafoe via RET in 1R. He jumped 23 spots to No. 75 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and could reach No. 63 by reaching the semi-finals.