

Rothsay International Eastbourne – Tuesday 25 June 2024

Centre Court Match 1

Cameron Norrie (GBR) v Emil Ruusuvuori (FIN)

Head to head: 1-1

Previous meeting: 2021 Atlanta ATP 250, quarter-final (Hard), Ruusuvuori won 76(1) 63.

Cameron Norrie biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Claimed his first ATP singles title in Los Cabos in 2021.
- Became the first British player to win the ATP 1000 event in Indian Wells in 2021.
- Won ATP 250 singles titles in Delray Beach and Lyon in 2022.
- Made the semi-finals of Wimbledon in 2022, beating Belgium's Davis Goffin in the quarter-finals before losing against eventual champion Novak Djokovic.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No.8 in September 2022.
- In total Norrie has picked up five ATP singles titles, one ATP doubles title and seven ITF titles throughout his career.
- In January 2024, Norrie reached the fourth round of the Australian Open for the first time with his biggest ranking win at a Grand Slam over Casper Ruud.
- Most recent ATP title came in the Rio Open as he beat Carlos Alcaraz [57 64 75](#) in the final. Norrie has won two of his last three matches against the 2023 French Open champion Alcaraz.
- His best career ranking of 2024 came against world No.11 Casper Ruud at the Australian Open in January.

Emil Ruusuvuori biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Has appeared in two ATP 250 finals, losing the Maharashtra Open final against Joao Sousa in 2021 and coming up short against Andrey Rublev in the Hong Kong Open in January 2024
- Achieved his highest career ranking of No.37 in April 2023.
- Played a key role in helping Finland reach the semi-finals of the 2023 Davis Cup Finals in Malaga last November.
- Best performance at an ATP 1000 tournament came in the 2023 Miami Open, where he reached the quarter-finals.
- Has wins on his record against Dominic Thiem, Alexander Zverev and current world No.1 Jannik Sinner.
- Favourite shot is forehand, favourite surface is hard and his favourite tournament is the US Open
- Best rankings win of 2024 came against world No.15 Karen Khachanov in Hong Kong in January.

Centre Court Match 2

Emma Raducanu (GBR) v Sloane Stephens (USA)

Head to head: Raducanu leads 1-0

Previous meeting: 2022 Australian Open, 1st round (Hard) – Raducanu won 60 26 61

Emma Raducanu biography [HERE](#)

Career Highlights:

- In the summer of 2021, she made her Grand Slam debut at Wimbledon, where she reached the fourth round - [becoming the youngest British woman to progress to the last 16 of The Championships in the Open Era](#). She's the first British female winner at Flushing Meadows since Virginia Wade in 1968, and the first qualifier in the Open era to win a Slam.
- In September 2021, [Raducanu made history by becoming the first qualifier and youngest British player to win a Grand Slam title at the US Open](#).
- In 2024, pulled off a comeback win against world No.49 Diane Parry to win 46 61 76(1) to defeat France 3-1 and send GB to the Billie Jean King Cup Finals in Seville.
- Making her third appearance at the Rothesay Open Nottingham and she is looking for her first win in the tournament.
- Best rankings win of 2024 came against world No.23 Caroline Garcia in the Billie Jean King Cup Qualifiers on April 12 (36 63 62).

Did you know:

- Born in Toronto but living in the UK from the age of two, Emma first started playing tennis at the age of five and has long been regarded as one of the brightest talents in British tennis.
- Emma is an ambassador for [LTA Youth](#) - the new and innovative junior programme to help more children aged 4-18 enjoy tennis.

Sloane Stephens biography

[HERE](#)

- The 2017 US Open champion also reached the final of the 2018 French Open.
- Her best run at Wimbledon came in 2013 when she reached the quarter-finals at the All England Club.
- A winner of eight career titles on the WTA Tour, with the most recent coming at the Open de Rouen in France in April 2024.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No.3 in July 2018.
- This is her first appearance in Birmingham since 2014, when she was beaten in the quarter-finals by China's Zhang Shuai.
- Her best rankings win of 2024 came against world No.13 Daria Kasatkina at the Australian Open in January.

Did you know:

- Spends a lot of her time off court promoting her [Sloane Stephens Foundation](#).
- Started playing at age 9 when mother introduced her to the sport in Fresno, California.
- Mother is Sybil Smith, a collegiate swimmer; brother is Shawn Farrell.
- Her favourite surface is clay.

Centre Court Match 3

Katie Boulter (GBR) v Petra Martic (CRO)

Head to head: Martic leads 1-0

Previous meeting: 2023 Eastbourne, 1st round (Grass). Martic won 64 75.

Katie Boulter biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Became British No.1 for the first time after the 2023 Lexus Surbiton Trophy.
- Won her first WTA Tour title at the [2023 Rothesay Nottingham Open](#), beating fellow Britain Jodie Burrage in the first all-British WTA final since 1977 San Francisco (Barker d. Wade).
- Beat Harriet Dart in the quarter-finals of last year's Rothesay Open Nottingham. Statistics from that match [HERE](#)
- Won her first WTA Tour 500 title in [San Diego in March 2024](#) and rose to a highest career-high ranking of No.27 later that month.
- Retained her Rothesay Open Nottingham title earlier this month [with a win against Karolina Pliskova in the final.](#)
- Boulter played five sets on the final day of a rain-affected tournament in Nottingham, defeating Britain's Emma Raducanu in the semi-finals and then Pliskova to become the first woman since Virginia Wade in 1978 to defend a WTA singles title.
- Best ranking win of 2024 came against world No.5 Jessica Pegula in the United Cup on January 1st (57 64 64).

Did you know:

- She began playing tennis when she was five years old and lists her tennis idol as Serena Williams
- Boulter is a graduate of the [LTA Pro Scholarship Programme](#), 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.
- Born in Leicester, she is a fan of Leicester City FC.

Petra Martic biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Reached a career-high ranking of No.14 in January 2020.
- Has appeared in six WTA Tour finals, winning two. The most recent title win came at the Ladies Open Lausanne in July 2022.
- Best run at a Grand Slam came with a quarter-final appearance at the 2019 French Open and she has been in the 4th round at Wimbledon on three occasions, with the most recent coming in 2022.
- Best rankings win of 2024 came against world No.43 Arantxa Rus in Doha in February.

Did you know:

- She began playing tennis at age 5 when her mother Sandra introduced her to the sport.
- Her favourite shot is serve and her favourite surface is hard, although she has achieved some big wins on grass, including against Boulter in Eastbourne last June.