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CENTRE COURT

Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) vs [4] Sebastian Baez (ARG)

First Meeting

Miomir Kecmanovic | Age: 24 | World No. 53 | Career-High No. 27 | 2024: 14-17 (Acapulco QF) | Eastbourne: 3-1 (2023 QF)
> Broke into Top 40 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Kitzbuhel and achieved career-high No. 27 in January 2023.

> Earned personal-best 38 wins in 2022, reaching Australian Open 4R, Roland Garros 3R and Wimbledon 3R.

> Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2019 Indian Wells as LL, 2022 Indian Wells and 2022 Miami, equaling biggest win of career in 2022 Indian Wells 4R vs. No. 6 Berrettini.

> Beat Ruud and Davidovich Fokina to reach 2019 Next Gen ATP Finals SF (l. to eventual champion Sinner).

> Defeated Tsitsipas in 3rd-set TB to win 2015 Orange Bowl junior title, then ended 2016 as World No. 1 junior ahead of No. 2 Tsitsipas.

NOTE: Kecmanovic is seeking his 28th ATP Tour QF (13-14), 3rd on grass after 2019 Antalya (l. to Sonogo in F) and Eastbourne last year (l. to Barrere). He is 1-9 vs. Top 50 on grass, earning lone win over No. 45 Thompson in 2019 Antalya SF.

Sebastian Baez | Age: 23 | World No. 18 (Career-High) | 2024: 23-14 (Rio, Santiago Titles) | Eastbourne: 1-1 (2023 2R)
> Broke inside Top 20 at career-high No. 19 in March 2024 after winning back-to-back ATP Tour titles in Rio de Janeiro and Santiago.

> Earned personal-best 31 wins in 2023, highlighted by 12-match winning streak, winning titles in Kitzbuhel and Winston-Salem and reaching 1st Grand Slam 3R at US Open.

> Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2022 Estoril, then earned 2nd title on home soil at 2023 Cordoba after entering tournament with 6 straight losses and 17 losses in previous 18 matches.

> Broke into Top 300, 200 and 100 in 2021, posting 6-3 record in Challenger finals to tie 4 other players for 2nd-most titles in a season behind Griekspoor's 8 in 2021.

> Became World No. 1 junior in March 2018 and went on to reach Roland Garros boys' singles final and win boys' doubles gold medal at Youth Olympics w/Diaz Acosta in his hometown of Buenos Aires.

NOTE: Baez is looking for his 18th ATP Tour QF (10-7), 1st on grass after 16 on clay courts and 2023 Winston-Salem on hard courts (d. Lehecka in F). He seeks 1st win on grass since 2023 Eastbourne (d. Borges in 1R, l. to Paul in 2R).

[1] Taylor Fritz (USA) vs Thiago Seyboth Wild (BRA)

Seyboth Wild Leads 1-0

24 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.) Hard R64 Thiago Seyboth Wild 6-3 6-4

Taylor Fritz | Age: 26 | World No. 13 | Career-High No. 5 | 2024: 27-12 (Delray Beach Title) | Eastbourne: 10-4 ('19, '22 Titles)

> 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 and 2023.

NOTE: Fritz aims to become the first 3-time champion in tournament history (2 - Bjorkman, Fritz, Gasquet, Karlovic, Lopez, Rusedski), winning 9 matches in a row in Eastbourne in 2019 and 2022 before losing to McDonald in 2023 1R.

Thiago Seyboth Wild | Age: 24 | World No. 74 | Career-High No. 58 | 2024: 13-15 (Rio QF) | Eastbourne: 1-0 ('24 2R)
> Former Top-10 junior achieved career-high No. 58 in May 2024 after posting runs to 3R at ATP Masters 1000 events in Indian Wells, Miami and Madrid during the season.
> Captured 2020 Santiago title as 19-year-old WC (d. Ruud), becoming 1st ATP Tour champion born in 2000s and youngest Brazilian champion in Open Era.
> Upset World No. 2 Medvedev for biggest win of career and 1st Grand Slam win in his Roland Garros main draw debut as Q in 2023.
> One week before Santiago, saved 3 MPs to beat Davidovich Fokina in 2020 Rio de Janeiro 1R as WC – longest ATP Tour match at 3:50 since 2009 Madrid SF (Nadal d. Djokovic in 4:03).
> Also earned 1st ATP Tour win of career on home clay, defeating E. Ymer in 2019 Sao Paulo 1R as WC, then reached 2nd ATP Tour QF at 2024 Rio de Janeiro.
> Ended junior career by beating fellow #NextGenATP player Musetti for 2018 US Open boys' singles title.

NOTE: Seyboth Wild is seeking his 3rd ATP Tour QF (1-1), 1st on grass after 2020 Santiago and 2024 Rio de Janeiro on clay courts. He is 4-5 against the Top 20, including win over No. 13 Fritz at 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Miami.

COURT 1

Emil Ruusuvuori (FIN) vs [Q] Shang Juncheng (CHN)

First Meeting

Emil Ruusuvuori | Age: 25 | World No. 88 | Career-High No. 37 | 2024: 13-10 (Hong Kong Final) | Event: 2-2 ('21, '24 2R)
> Ex-World No. 4 junior set career-high No. 37 in April 2023 after becoming the first Finnish player to reach ATP Masters 1000 QF since Nieminen in 2013 at 2023 Miami.
> In 2022, reached 1st ATP Tour final at Pune and earned personal-best 35 tour-level wins during season.
> Defeated No. 5 Thiem during 2019 Davis Cup tie, No. 7 A. Zverev en route to 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Miami 4R, No. 9 Sinner at 2023 's-Hertogenbosch and No. 8 Rublev at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati.
> In 2020, reached 1st SF at Astana after winning ATP debut at Montpellier (d. D. Novak), ATP Masters 1000 debut at Cincinnati (d. Korda) and Grand Slam debut at US Open (d. Bedene).
> Posted 36-12 Challenger record in 2019 with titles at Fergana, Mallorca, Glasgow and Helsinki.
> Began playing tennis at age 5 after a tennis coach spotted him playing badminton with his mom, Eva, and convinced him to switch sports.

NOTE: Ruusuvuori is seeking his 15th ATP Tour QF (8-6), 3rd on grass after 2022 London / Queen's Club (l. to Cilic) and 2023 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to Griekspoor in SF). He aims to post consecutive wins for the 1st time since Doha in February (l. to Khachanov via RET in QF).

Shang Juncheng | Age: 19 | World No. 104 | Career-High No. 89 | 2024: 9-8 (Hong Kong SF) | Eastbourne: 1-0 (2024 2R)
> #NextGen player earned a career-high No. 89 in May 2024, becoming the first Chinese teenager to break inside Top 100 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973).
> Defeated No. 16 Tiafoe for biggest win of career to reach 1st ATP Tour SF in Hong Kong.
> Reached 1st Grand Slam 3R and became the first Chinese man in 3R of Australian Open in Open Era.
> Made ATP Tour debut at 2022 Rio de Janeiro as a WC, before earning 1st tour-level win at 2023 Australian Open, beating Otte in 1R as Q (l. to Tiafoe in 2R).
> Owns 37-27 record on ATP Challenger Tour, highlighted by 1st title at 2022 Lexington.
> Father, Yi, was a professional football player and his mother, Na, was a world champion table tennis player.
> His nickname is Jerry after the cartoon character of his favorite childhood show.

NOTE: Shang is seeking his 2nd ATP Tour QF, 1st on grass, after 2024 Hong Kong on hard courts (l. to Rublev in SF). He bids to become the 2nd Chinese man to make a grass tour-level quarter-final in Open Era after Zhang at 2023 Eastbourne (l. to F. Cerundolo) and 2024 Halle (l. to Sinner in SF).

[3] Alexander Bublik (KAZ) vs [LL] Aleksandar Vukic (AUS)

Series Tied 1-1

22 Adelaide-2 (Australia)
24 Lyon (France)

Hard	R32	Aleksandar Vukic
Clay	R16	Alexander Bublik

7-6(5) 6-2
6-4 6-2

Alexander Bublik | Age: 27 | World No. 23 | Career-High No. 17 | 2024: 21-14 (Montpellier Title) | Eastbourne: 4-2 (2021-22 QF)
> Achieved career-high No. 17 in May 2024 after becoming the 1st ATP Tour champion (since ATP Tour was established in 1990) to come back from a set down in every match en route to his 4th title in Montpellier.
> Defeated five Top 25 players in as many matches including No. 9 Sinner in QF and No. 7 Rublev in final to earn biggest of 4 ATP Tour titles at 2023 Halle.

- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 3 A. Zverev in 2022 Montpellier final for 1st ATP Tour title in 5th final.
- > Runner-up at 2019 Newport, 2019 Chengdu, 2021 Antalya, 2021 Singapore, 2022 Newport, 2022 Metz and 2024 Dubai.
- > Posted personal-best 35 wins in 2021 and advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at Miami and Madrid.
- > In doubles, advanced to 2021 Roland Garros final with countryman Golubev and 2020 Australian Open SF with countryman Kukushkin.

NOTE: Bublik is 11-4 in tour-level opening round matches in 2024 after going 9-17 in 2023. He aims to make 7 ATP Tour quarterfinals in a season for the 2nd time in career (7 - 2021, 6 - 2022, 2024).

- Aleksandar Vukic** | Age: 28 | World No. 81 | Career-High No. 48 | 2024: 9-15 (2 QFs) | Eastbourne: 1-1 (2023 2R)
- > Broke into Top 200 in March 2020 prior to COVID-19 suspension of ATP Tour, then achieved career-high No. 48 in August 2023 soon after reaching 1st ATP Tour final at 2023 Atlanta.
 - > Also advanced to ATP Tour QFs at 2022 Adelaide-2, 2022 Sofia, 2024 Marrakech and 2024 's-Hertogenbosch.
 - > Qualified and defeated No. 15 Coric for biggest win of career en route to 3R at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto.
 - > Won Challenger titles at 2022 Bengaluru-2 and 2023 Busan and reached Challenger finals at 2021 and 2022 Champaign, where he was a 3-time All-American for University of Illinois from 2015-18.
 - > Born in Sydney after parents and older brother fled Montenegro during breakup of Yugoslavia in early-1990s.

NOTE: Vukic is seeking his 6th ATP Tour QF (1-4), 2nd on grass after 's-Hertogenbosch two weeks ago (l. to Griekspoor). He is 2-15 against the Top 30, including win over No. 22 Khachanov at 2024 's-Hertogenbosch.

COURT 2

[WC] Billy Harris (GBR) vs [LL] Charles Broom (GBR)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meetings

17 Belgium F8 (Belgium)	Clay	R32	Billy Harris	7-6(6) 6-1
22 M25 Nottingham (Great Britain)	Hard	R16	Billy Harris	6-4 6-2
23 M25 Nottingham (Great Britain)	Grass	SF	Billy Harris	6-3 7-6(1)
24 Nottingham-2 CH (Great Britain)	Grass	SF	Charles Broom	6-4 6-4

COURT 5

[Q] Yoshihito Nishioka (JPN) vs Marcos Giron (USA)

Series Tied 1-1

19 US Open (U.S.A.)	Hard	R128	Yoshihito Nishioka	3-6 6-4 6-4 6-4
23 Tokyo (Japan)	Hard	R32	Marcos Giron	7-6(14) 4-6 6-1

Other Meetings

15 Delray Beach Q (U.S.A.)	Hard	Q2	Yoshihito Nishioka	4-6 6-3 6-2
21 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid Q (Spain)	Clay	Q2	Marcos Giron	6-7(4) 6-4 RET

Lorenzo Sonego (ITA) vs [Q] Max Purcell (AUS)

Sonego Leads 1-0

21 Eastbourne (Great Britain)	Grass	SF	Lorenzo Sonego	6-1 3-6 6-1
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[LL] Giles Hussey (GBR) vs Flavio Cobolli (ITA)

First Meeting