

Rothsay International Eastbourne – Thursday 26 June 2024

Centre Court Match 1 Billy Harris (GBR) v Flavio Cobolli (ITA)

Head to head: 1st meeting

Billy Harris biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- October 2023 was a month to remember for Harris who made it back-to-back Challenger quarter-finals in Alicante and Malaga. From there, he went on to reach the semi-finals in Hamburg and Ortisei to see the Brit reach a career-high ranking of world No.234.
- In three months he went from outside the 300 to cracking the top 200 for the first time in his career in December of 2023.
- His best rankings win of 2024 came against Australia's world No.32 Tomas Martin Etcheverry in the cinch Championships at Queen's Club last week. It was also the best rankings win of his career.
- His run to the quarter-finals at Queen's has propelled Harris up the ATP rankings to a new career high of No.139.
- Harris has been awarded a wildcard into the main draw at Wimbledon and he will become the first player from the Isle of Man to play in the men's singles draw at the All England Club next week.

Did you know:

- Was selected as one of 10 British players to feature in the LTA's tennis documentary series, [Beyond the Baseline](#), presented by Lexus.

Flavio Cobolli biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Currently at a career-high ranking of No.49, with his run to the semi-finals of an ATP 250 tournament on clay in Geneva last month highlighting his progress.
- His best run at a Grand Slam came as he reached the 3rd round of the Australian Open in January after coming through qualifying.
- His best run in an ATP 1000 event came on clay in Madrid as he reached the 3rd round in April of this year.
- Best rankings win so 2024 came against world No.15 Ben Shelton in Geneva.

Did you know:

- His parents are Francesca Neri and Stefano Cobolli. Has a sibling named Guglielmo.
- Favourite surface is clay and tournament is Rome and his tennis idol is Fabio Fognini.

Centre Court Match 2

Katie Boulter (GBR) v Jasmine Paolini (ITA)

Head to head: Boulter leads 2-1

Previous meeting: 2024 WTA 500 Linz in Austria, 1st round (Indoor hard). Boulter won 62 62.

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).

Jasmine Paolini biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Reached the final of the French Open last month, losing against world No.1 Iga Swiatek at Roland Garros.
- The French Open run saw Paolini break into the top 10 of the WTA rankings for the first time in her career.
- Her previous best run at a Grand Slam also came this year, as she reached the 4th round at the Australian Open.
- Has won two WTA Tour titles, with the biggest coming in the W1000 event in Dubai in February of this year.
- She also reached the final of the women's doubles event at this year's French Open with partner Sara Errani.
- Her biggest rankings win of 2024 came against world No.4 Elena Rybakina in Dubai.

Did you know:

- She was a big fan of Roger Federer in her youth.
- Her favourite shot is her forehand and favourite surface is clay.
- She speaks Italian, English and Polish.

Centre Court Match 3

Emma Raducanu (GBR) vs Daria Kasatkina

Head to head: Kasatkina leads 1-0

Previous meeting: 2022 Ostrava Open, Czechia. 1st round (Indoor hard). Kasatkina won 75 64.

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 her career came against world No.5 Jessica Pegula in the 2nd round of the Rothesay International Eastbourne on Wednesday.

Did you know:

- 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.

Daria Kasatkina biography [HERE](#)

Career highlights:

- Best run in a Grand Slam came with an appearance in the 2022 French Open semi-finals.
- Showed her prowess on grass courts with a run to the quarter-finals of Wimbledon in 2018.
- Best run at a WTA 1000 event came with an appearance in the 2018 Indian Wells final, where she lost against Japan's Naomi Osaka.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No.8 in October 2022.
- Has won 6 WTA Tour finals, with the most recent coming at Championnats de Granby in Canada in August 2022.
- Best rankings win of 2024 came against world No.5 Jessica Pegula in Adelaide in January.

Did you know:

- Best tennis memory is winning French Open Junior title in 2014.
- A baseliner whose favourite surface is clay and whose favourite shot is forehand.