

LTA Daily Brit Player Media Notes

Lexus Birmingham Open – Thursday, 5 June, 2025

Ann Jones Centre Court - Match 1

[ALT] Marc-Andrea Huesler (WR158 – SUI) v Otto Virtanen (WR114 – FIN)

Head to Head: Huesler leads 3-0

Last meeting:

2024 s'Hertogenbosch Grass Q2 Huesler 76(3) 76(4)

MARC-ANDREA HUESLER highlights:

- Bids to reach a 28th ATP Challenger Tour quarter-final, and a 4th in 2025.
- Won one ATP Tour title, at 2022 Sofia, defeating Holger Rune in the final.
- Won 7 ATP Challenger Tour titles, including one this year, at Cuernavaca, Mexico in April.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 47 in February 2023.
- Reached one quarter-final on grass, at the 2022 Nottingham Challenger.
- Played in six ATP Challenger Tour events in 2025 with a win-loss record of 12-4.
- Defeated Harold Mayot [76\(1\) 64](#) in round one.
- ATP Tour biography [HERE](#)

OTTO VIRTANEN highlights:

- Bids to reach a 17th ATP Challenger Tour quarter-final, and a 1st of 2025.
- Never reached a quarter-final on the ATP Tour.
- Won 6 ATP Challenger Tour titles, most recently at Brest in October last year.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 91 in November 2024.
- Won the 2018 Wimbledon boys' doubles title with partner Yanki Erel.
- Best result on grass is reaching the quarter-finals at 2022 Surbiton, where he fell to Brit Ryan Peniston.
- Played in six ATP Challenger Tour events in 2025 and won his 1st match of the year at this level in round one this week, defeating No. 4 seed Aleksandar Vukic [76\(4\) 63](#).
- ATP Tour biography [HERE](#)

Ann Jones Centre Court - Match 2

Martin Landaluce (WR145 – ESP) v [PR] Lloyd Harris (WR227 – RSA)

Head to Head:

MARTIN LANDALUCE highlights:

- Bids to reach a 13th ATP Challenger Tour quarter-final, and a 2nd this year (Prague).
- Won the boys' singles at the 2022 US Open, defeating Gilles-Arnaud Bailly in the final.
- Won 1 ATP Challenger Tour title, at Olbia, Italy, last October, becoming the youngest Spaniard to win a Challenger title since Carlos Alcaraz in 2021.
- Won 1 match in the main draw on the ATP Tour, against Jaume Munar at ATP 1000 Miami last year.
- Made his Grand Slam main draw debut this year at the Australian Open, falling to James McCabe.
- Handed wild cards at the Australian Open and at ATP 1000 Miami this year, but lost in round one on both occasions.
- Defeated No. 1 seed Mattia Bellucci [46 64 76\(5\)](#) in round one.
- ATP Tour biography [HERE](#)

LLOYD HARRIS highlights:

- Bids to reach a 32nd ATP Challenger Tour quarter-final, and his 3rd on grass, after Surbiton and Ilkley last year.
- Reached two ATP Tour singles finals - fell to Andrey Rublev at 2020 Adelaide and to Aslan Karatsev at 2021 Dubai, where he became the first qualifier to reach the final in the tournament's 30-year history.
- Won the title at Surbiton last year, defeating Brit and namesake Billy in the semi-finals. He also reached the last 8 at Ilkley last year.
- Best Grand Slam result was reaching the quarter-finals at the 2021 US Open, where he fell to Alexander Zverev. He's the last South African player, man or woman, to reach the last 8 at a Grand Slam.
- Best ATP Tour performance on grass was reaching the semi-finals at 2023 Mallorca, where he fell to Christopher Eubanks.
- Won 6 ATP Challenger Tour titles, most recently at Surbiton last year.
- Defeated Rafal Nadal at 2021 Washington.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 31 in September 2021.
- Missed 7 months from July 2024 to February 2025 with a back injury that required surgery. He also had surgery on his wrist in 2022.
- His last ATP Tour main draw match came at Wimbledon last year. He is playing here on a protected ranking of No. 227.
- Played in 4 ATP Tour Challenger events in 2025 with a win-loss record of 2-3.
- Defeated Jay Clarke [64 36 64](#) in round one.
- ATP Tour biography [HERE](#)

Ann Jones Centre Court - Match 3

[LL] Sijia Wei (WR130 – CHN) v [2] Kimberly Birrell (WR66 – AUS)

Head to Head: Birrell leads 1-0

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The match above was Wei's debut in the WTA Tour main draw.

SIJIA WEI highlights:

- Bids to reach just a second quarter-final at this level - reached one WTA 125 final, in Canberra, Australia at start of this year, falling to Aoi Ito.
- Won 10 ITF singles titles.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 114 in March.
- Best performance on the WTA Tour is reaching the round of 16 on two occasions (both in China).
- Made her Grand Slam main draw debut at the Australian Open this year, falling to Jasmine Paolini.
- Lost to Lizette Cabrera in the final round of qualifying earlier this week.
- Defeated Sayaka Ishii [64 64](#) in round one.
- Owns a 2-9 win-loss record against top 100 players – wins have come against No. 51 Rebecca Sramkova at 2024 Guangzhou and No. 93 Elena Gabriela Ruse at 2024 Beijing.
- Played in five WTA 125 events this year with a win-loss record of 5-5.
- Bids to become the 4th lucky loser to reach a WTA 125 quarter-final in 2025.
- WTA Tour biography [HERE](#)

KIMBERLY BIRRELL highlights:

- Bids to reach a 1st ever quarter-final at this level. Did reach the last 8 at the WTA Tour events in Brisbane and Singapore this year.
- Reached her maiden WTA Tour final at Osaka in October last year, falling to Suzan Lamens.
- Won 5 ITF singles titles, most recently at Brisbane in February where she defeated Inglis in the final.
- Reached the mixed doubles final at this year's Australian Open alongside compatriot John-Patrick Smith - they lost to fellow Aussies Olivia Gadecki and John Peers.
- Currently the Australian No. 3 behind Daria Kasatkina and Maya Joint. Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 60 in May.
- Played in three WTA 125 events this year with a win-loss record of 2-2. Defeated Bianca Andreescu at Vic, Spain in April.
- Reached the semi-finals at Ilkley last year, falling to Rebecca Marino.
- Born in Dusseldorf, Germany.
- Defeated Maddison Inglis [6-1 6-4](#) in round one.
- WTA Tour biography [HERE](#)

Ann Jones Centre Court - Match 4

[5] Greet Minnen (WR77 – BEL) v [Q] Tereza Martincova (WR538 – CZE)

Head to Head: Martincova leads 2-0

Last meeting:

2021 Prague Hard SF Martincova 63 64

Martincova ended up losing to Barbora Krejčíková in the final.

GREET MINNEN highlights:

- Bids to reach a 5th quarter-final at this level, and her 1st since Charleston in March 2024.
- Never reached a singles final on the WTA Tour, but has won two doubles titles.
- Best singles performance on the WTA Tour is four semi-finals, most recently at Austin in February, where she fell to McCartney Kessler.
- Best performance at the Grand Slams is reaching round three at the 2021 and 2023 US Opens (2021 as a lucky loser, 2023 as a qualifier).
- Reached two WTA 125 finals, both in 2023, at Kozierki, Poland and St Malo, France.
- This is just her second WTA 125 event this year – fell in round one at St Malo in April.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 59 in October 2023.
- Best performances on grass are reaching the quarter-finals at the WTA Tour event in s'Hertogenbosh in 2019 and last year. Also reached last 8 at the ITF events at 2021 Nottingham and 2024 Surbiton in 2024.
- Defeated Arianne Hartono [64 62](#) in round one.
- WTA biography [HERE](#)

TEREZA MARTINCOVA highlights:

- Bids to reach a 1st quarter-final at this level, and indeed at any level for 2 years.
- Reached one final on the WTA Tour, falling to Barbora Krejčíková at 2021 Prague - she defeated Minnen in the semi-finals.
- Reached the last four at 2022 Nottingham when it was a WTA Tour event – she lost to eventual champion Beatriz Haddad Maia.
- Reached the quarter-finals at 2021 Birmingham when it was a WTA Tour event, falling to Daria Kasatkina.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 40 February 2022.
- Not played a main draw match on the WTA Tour this year. She had a break from tennis for 7 months from August 2024 to March this year.
- Defeated Rebecca Marino [36 64 61](#) in round one.
- Bids to become the 11th qualifier to reach a WTA 125 quarter-final in 2025.
- Owns 54 wins against top 100 players.
- WTA biography [HERE](#)