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HSBC CHAMPIONSHIPS TALKING POINTS

- 2024 champion No. 8 seed **Tommy Paul** faces No. 7 seed **Francisco Cerundolo** in the final of this year's **HSBC Championships**. Cerundolo brings a 5-2 **Lexus ATP Head2Head** lead into the match with the pair meeting in a final for the second time after 2023 Eastbourne final and second time at Queen's Club with 2023 1R (Paul's most recent loss at this event) with Cerundolo winning in 3 sets on both occasions. Champion will become the fifth man to win multiple tour-level titles this season.

2026 ATP Tour – Title Leaders

Player	Titles
Jannik Sinner	5 (Indian Wells*, Miami*, Monte-Carlo*, Madrid*, Rome*)
Ben Shelton	3 (Dallas, Munich, Stuttgart)
Carlos Alcaraz	2 (Australian Open, Doha)
Daniil Medvedev	2 (Brisbane, Dubai)

* ATP Masters 1000 event

- Paul** is on a 9-match winning streak at the event, winning 2024 title, before being forced to withdraw from last year's edition due to injury. He now looks for his sixth ATP Tour title, second at ATP 500 level, and second of the season after saving 3 championship points to win Houston final in April. He bids to become fifth American to win multiple titles at Queen's Club, following McEnroe (4), Roddick (4), Connors (3) and Sampras (2).
- Cerundolo** is playing in the biggest final of his career, attempting to become the eighth Argentine to win an ATP 500 title since the series began in 2009 and first to achieve the feat on grass. He would become the first man representing Argentina to win the Queen's Club title in history and win his fifth ATP Tour title, joining Andy Roddick and Feliciano Lopez as the only men to win both Queen's Club and Eastbourne titles.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES FINAL

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[7] Francisco Cerundolo (ARG) vs [8] Tommy Paul (USA)

Location	Surface	Round	Winner	Score
22 Eastbourne (Great Britain)	Grass	R32	Tommy Paul	4-6 7-6(2) 6-4
23 London / Queen's Club (Great Britain)	Grass	R32	Francisco Cerundolo	7-6(2) 4-6 6-4
23 Eastbourne (Great Britain)	Grass	F	Francisco Cerundolo	6-4 1-6 6-4
23 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (Canada)	Hard	R32	Tommy Paul	7-6(2) 6-7(2) 6-3
24 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	R32	Francisco Cerundolo	6-7(7) 6-4 6-2
24 Roland Garros (France)	Clay	R32	Francisco Cerundolo	3-6 6-3 6-3 6-2
25 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Francisco Cerundolo	6-2 7-6(4)

Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
F. Cerundolo	24%	68%	37%	7.5	7.3	8.2	7.2
Paul	25%	69%	36%	8.0	6.9	7.4	7.3
<i>Tour Average</i>	24%	67%	33%	7.9	6.4	7.3	7.0

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Francisco Cerundolo | Age: 27 | World No. 27 | Career-High No. 18 | 2026: 26-12 (Buenos Aires Title) | Event: 6-3 ('26 F)
> Broke into Top 100 and Top 50 in 2022, Top 20 in 2024 and achieved career-high No. 18 in May 2025 after equaling biggest win of career over No. 2 Zverev en route to ATP Masters 1000 Madrid SF.
> Moved into Top 25 in July 2022 after defeating No. 5 Ruud en route to 1st ATP Tour title in Bastad and No. 8 Rublev en route to Hamburg SF in back-to-back weeks.
> Won 2nd title at 2023 Eastbourne to be 1st Argentine ATP Tour champion on grass since Frana at 1995 Nottingham.
> As World No. 103 at 2022 Miami, became lowest-ranked semi-finalist in 37-year tournament history and 1st player to reach SF in his ATP Masters 1000 main draw debut since Janowicz at 2012 Paris.
> In his hometown of Buenos Aires, advanced to 1st ATP Tour final as No. 137-ranked qualifier in 2021, defeated No. 2 Zverev en route to 2025 final and did not drop a set to win the title for 1st time in 2026.
> Father, Alejandro, also played pro tennis; younger brother, Juan Manuel, won 2021 Cordoba title; sister, Constanza, played for Argentine field hockey team that won gold medal at 2018 Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Cerundolo aims to capture his 5th ATP Tour title (4-3 in finals), first above ATP 250 level, and second on grass after defeating Paul in 2023 Eastbourne final. He is No. 22 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and could jump to No. 20 if he becomes the first Argentine champion in event history (No. 21 if Tiafoe wins Halle title). He aims to record 6 tour-level wins vs. an opponent for the first time in career (5-2 vs. Hanfmann & Paul, 5-4 vs. Ruud).

Argentine Men's Tour-Level Champions on Grass (Open Era)

Player	Tournament	Final Opponent	Score
Guillermo Vilas	1974 Masters	d. Ilie Nastase	7-6 6-2 3-6 3-6 6-4
Guillermo Vilas	1978 Australian Open	d. John Marks	6-4 6-4 3-6 6-3
Guillermo Vilas	1979 Australian Open	d. John Sadri	7-6 6-3 6-2
Javier Frana	1995 Nottingham	d. Todd Woodbridge	7-6(4) 6-3
Francisco Cerundolo	2023 Eastbourne	d. Tommy Paul	6-4 1-6 6-4

Tommy Paul | Age: 29 | World No. 28 | Career-High No. 8 | 2026: 30-11 (Houston Title) | Queen's: 11-2 (2024 Title)
> Former World No. 3 junior achieved career-high No. 8 in June 2025 after becoming first American man since Agassi in 2003 to reach both Australian Open and Roland Garros QFs in a single season.
> At 2023 Australian Open, became 1st American men's semi-finalist of that event since Roddick in 2009.
> Earned 7 wins over Top-5, including biggest win of career over No. 1 Alcaraz to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2023 Toronto.
> Defeated junior rivals Fritz and Tiafoe en route to 1st ATP Tour final and title at 2021 Stockholm.
> Earned personal-best 45 wins during 2024 season, highlighted by titles in Dallas, London/Queen's Club and Stockholm and advanced to ATP Masters 1000 SFs in Indian Wells and Rome.
> Saved 3 championship points to defeat Burruchaga in 2026 Houston final to complete the set of ATP Tour titles on all three surfaces and 7 MP vs. Etcheverry en route to 2026 Hamburg final.
> 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 is on a 9-match winning streak at this event after winning the biggest title of his career at this venue two years ago before pulling out last year due to an abdominal injury. He seeks sixth ATP Tour title (5-5 in finals), second on grass, and become the 13th man to win multiple titles at this event in Open Era (fourth active). He is No. 25 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and could rise to No. 21 with a title win. Yet to drop a set this week, he could become the third man to win Queen's without dropping a set since 2000, joining Hewitt in 2000 and Murray in 2009.

Multiple Titles at Queen's Club in Open Era –

Player	Titles	Player	Titles
Andy Murray	5 (2009, 2011, 2013, 2015-16)	Ivan Lendl	2 (1989-90)
John McEnroe	4 (1979-81, 1984)	Pete Sampras	2 (1995, 1999)
Boris Becker	4 (1985, 1987-88, 1996)	Marin Cilic*	2 (2012, 2018)
Lleyton Hewitt	4 (2000-02, 2006)	Feliciano Lopez	2 (2017, 2019)
Andy Roddick	4 (2003-05, 2007)	Matteo Berrettini*	2 (2021-22)
Jimmy Connors	3 (1972, 1982-83)	Carlos Alcaraz*	2 (2023, 2025)

* Active players

2026 London Statistics	Francisco Cerundolo	Tommy Paul
Aces	23	33
1st-Serve Percentage	53% (193 of 363)	60% (150 of 251)
1st-Serve Points Won	73% (140 of 193)	81% (121 of 150)
2nd-Serve Points Won	51% (87 of 170)	52% (53 of 101)
Service Games Won	80% (43 of 54)	93% (38 of 41)
Break Points Saved	65% (20 of 31)	73% (8 of 11)
1st-Serve Return Points Won	34% (77 of 226)	29% (46 of 159)
2nd-Serve Return Points Won	57% (78 of 138)	53% (57 of 107)
Return Games Won	37% (20 of 54)	28% (11 of 40)
Break Points Converted	45% (20 of 44)	58% (11 of 19)

BOLD: Leads all 32 players in 2026 HSBC Championships field.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: DOUBLES FINAL

[1] Harri Heliövaara (FIN) / Henry Patten (GBR) vs [4] Marcelo Arevalo (ESA) / Mate Pavić (CRO)

Heliövaara/Patten Lead 5-2

24 Wimbledon (Great Britain)	Grass	QF	Heliövaara / Patten	4-6 7-6(5) 7-6(7)
24 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Arevalo / Pavić	6-2 6-4
24 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	SF	Arevalo / Pavić	7-6(1) 7-6(4)
25 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	RR	Heliövaara / Patten	7-6(5) 6-2
26 Dubai (U.A.E.)	Hard	F	Heliövaara / Patten	7-5 7-5
26 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Heliövaara / Patten	6-3 6-4
26 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	QF	Heliövaara / Patten	6-3 7-6(3)

Heliövaara/Patten Notes

- > Finn and Brit are 122-38 on tour-level as a team (33-6 in 2026), making team debut by winning 2024 Marrakech.
- > Won 12 tour-level titles together, including Grand Slam victories at 2024 Wimbledon and 2025 Australian Open, aiming to capture 5 titles in a season for the first time (4 in 2024, 4 in 2025, 4 in 2026).
- > Also captured 2025 Nitto ATP Finals title to finish the season as No. 2 team on Year-End PIF ATP Doubles Teams Rankings.
- > Earned win over Andreozzi/Guinard in 1R, rallied from a set down to defeat WC Stevenson/Willis in QF and ousted No. 3 seeds C. Harrison/Skupski in SF.
- > They lead the ATP Tour in doubles wins (33) and titles (4) this season.
- > Heliövaara would be the second Finnish doubles champion in Open Era after Kontinen in 2018 w/Peers.
- > Patten would become the seventh British men's doubles champion at Queen's Club in Open Era after Jeremy Bates in 1990 (w/Curren), Jamie Murray in 2017 (w/Soares), Andy Murray in 2019 (w/F. Lopez), Neal Skupski in 2024 (w/Venus) and Julian Cash and Lloyd Glasspool last year, securing British win for third consecutive edition.
- > Team is ranked No. 1 on PIF ATP Doubles Teams Rankings. Individually, Heliövaara and Patten are tied at No. 1, achieving the feat in June 2026, securing No. 1 spot by reaching Roland Garros final on Heliövaara's 37th birthday.
- > Heliövaara, 37, is 16-12 in tour-level finals and aims to win his fifth ATP 500 title after 2022 Hamburg w/Glasspool before winning 2025 Beijing, 2026 Doha and 2026 Dubai w/Patten.
- > Patten, 30, is 12-6 in tour-level finals, winning all 12 titles with Heliövaara and bids to win his second grass title after winning 2024 Wimbledon w/Heliövaara.

Arevalo/Pavić Notes

- > Duo of former No. 1s is 120-51 as a team (25-12 in 2026), making their team debut by winning Hong Kong in first week of 2024, finishing that season as No. 1 on Year-End PIF ATP Doubles Teams Rankings.
- > They won 7 titles together, including 4 ATP Masters 1000 championships at 2024 Cincinnati, 2025 Indian Wells, 2025 Miami and 2025 Rome and Grand Slam title at 2024 Roland Garros.
- > They are playing in their third final of the season after Dubai, losing to Heliövaara/Patten, and ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo, losing to Krawietz/Puetz.
- > Did not drop a set en route to the final, defeating 2019 runners-up Ram/Salisbury in 1R, Bhambri/Venus in QF and defending champions and No. 2 seeds Cash/Glasspool in SF.
- > Pavić looks for his second Queen's Club title after winning 2022 title w/Mektic (d. Glasspool/Heliövaara in final), while Arevalo plays in his first final at the event, previous best result SF in 2024.
- > Team is ranked No. 5 on PIF ATP Doubles Team Rankings. Arevalo is ranked No. 12 (career-high No. 1 in 2024) and Pavić is ranked No. 13 (career-high No. 1 in 2018).

- > Arevalo, 35, is 16-9 in tour-level finals, looking for first title on grass, after losing in finals of 2018 and 2019 Newport w/Reyer-Varela, first ATP 500 title, and first title since winning 2025 ATP Masters 1000 Rome in May last year.
- > Pavic, 32, is 42-35 in tour-level finals, seeking 5th ATP 500 title after 2017 Hamburg w/Dodig, before teaming up w/Mektic to win 2021 Rotterdam, 2022 Queen's Club and 2022 Astana.
- > He seeks 9th title on grass, first since winning Stuttgart and Eastbourne w/Mektic in 2023.
- > In 2024, Croatian completed career Golden Slam, capturing all 4 Grand Slams with 2018 Aus. Open w/Marach (now his coach), 2020 US Open w/Soares, 2021 Wimbledon w/Mektic and 2024 Roland Garros w/Arevalo, also winning 2021 Tokyo Olympics with Mektic.

Men's Doubles Title Leaders (Active Players)

Player	Titles	Player	Titles
Mate Pavic	42	Jamie Murray	34
Marcelo Melo	42	Marcel Granollers	33
Jean-Julien Rojer	37	Nikola Mektic	33