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HSBC CHAMPIONSHIPS TALKING POINTS

- Last year’s finalist **Jiri Lehecka** looks to advance to back-to-back **HSBC Championships** quarter-finals when he takes on qualifier **Rinky Hijikata**. They are meeting in their first professional meeting, but Lehecka won all 4 encounters in juniors, including at Roehampton in 2019. Hijikata aims to become the first man to reach multiple Queen’s Club quarter-finals as a qualifier after first reaching the stage two years ago.
- No. 8 seed **Tommy Paul** is the only former champion remaining in the field and looks for his third quarter-final at the event (2022, 2024). He meets Dutch No. 2 **Botic van de Zandschulp**, who won both of their previous meetings. Paul bids to tie Medvedev for third-most wins on ATP Tour this year (28), while van de Zandschulp seeks his fourth QF at ATP 500 level after 2022 Queen’s, 2023 Dubai and Rotterdam earlier this season.
- Two Frenchmen are in action on Day 4 with **Corentin Moutet** taking on No. 4 seed **Alejandro Davidovich Fokina**. Moutet aims to record back-to-back tour-level wins for the first time since his run to Australian Open 3R in January, while Davidovich Fokina seeks his third quarter-final of the year after Adelaide and Dallas, both on hard courts. **Ugo Humbert**, who ousted two-time champion Cilic in 1R, now faces **Hamad Medjedovic** with Serbian seeking his second quarter-final above ATP 250 level after run to Barcelona SF earlier this season.

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Corentin Moutet (FRA) vs [4] Alejandro Davidovich Fokina (ESP) Davidovich Fokina Leads 2-0

25 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (Canada) Hard R64 A. Davidovich Fokina 6-4 6-3

26 Hamburg (Germany) Clay R32 A. Davidovich Fokina 6-4 6-4

Other Meetings

20 ATP Masters 1000 Rome Q (Italy) Clay Q3 A. Davidovich Fokina 6-1 6-2

21 ATP Masters 1000 Rome Q (Italy) Clay Q2 A. Davidovich Fokina 6-4 7-6(5)

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Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Moutet	20%	71%	37%	6.9	6.2	7.8	6.9
Davidovich Fokina	26%	67%	36%	7.6	6.9	7.1	7.5
<i>Tour Average</i>	24%	67%	33%	7.9	6.4	7.3	7.0

Corentin Moutet | Age: 27 | World No. 36 | Career-High No. 30 | 2026: 7-13 (Marrakech QF) | Queen’s: 2-1 (’25-’26 2R)
> Former Top-10 junior ended 2022 at No. 51, breaking inside Top 50 in July 2025 and achieving career-high No. 30 in April 2026 after earning personal-best 31 wins in 2025, highlighted by finals in Mallorca and Almaty.

> Reached 1st ATP Tour final as 20-year-old at 2020 Doha, becoming youngest French finalist on tour since Gasquet, 20, at 2006 Lyon.

> Beat former champion Wawrinka en route to 2022 US Open 4R, becoming 1st men’s lucky loser on record to reach US Open 4R and advanced to 4R of 2024 Roland Garros and 3R of 2024 Paris Olympics.

- > Defeated future World No. 3 Tsitsipas for 1st Challenger title at 2017 Brest as 18-year-old WC.
- > In 2025, recorded first Top 10 wins of career over No. 10 Rune in ATP Masters 1000 Rome 3R in 3H 45M and saved 1 MP for biggest win of career over No. 4 Fritz in Queen's Club 1R in 2H 54M.
- > Enjoys rapping and playing piano, having released an 8-song EP entitled "Ecorche" in 2020.

NOTE: Moutet looks for first Top 30 win since defeating No. 14 Medvedev in Vienna 2R last year (0-9 since) and second at Queen's Club after defeating No. 4 Fritz in 1R last year. He seeks 17th ATP Tour QF, third above ATP 250 level after Washington and Vienna last year, and third on grass (2023 & 2025 Mallorca).

- A. Davidovich Fokina** | Age: 27 | World No. 22 | Career-High No. 14 | 2026: 14-12 (Adelaide SF) | Queen's: 3-3 ('22 QF)
- > Made Top 20 debut in July 2025 and achieved career-high No. 14 in November 2025 following his run to 5th ATP Tour final in Basel after previously peaking at No. 21 in 2023.
 - > Broke Djokovic 9 times in Monte-Carlo 2R win, setting record for most breaks of Djokovic in a best-of-3-set match to defeat then-World No. 1 en route to 1st ATP Tour final of career at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo.
 - > Advanced to 1st Grand Slam QF at 2021 Roland Garros and 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2021 Monte-Carlo, highlighted by 5-set win over Ruud in Roland Garros 3R.
 - > In 2025, advanced to 4 ATP Tour finals, including Delray Beach, where he held 2 championship points vs. Kecmanovic, and Washington, where he squandered 3 championship points vs. de Minaur.
 - > Ended junior career as World No. 2 after winning Wimbledon boys' singles title and posting 20-1 record in 2017.

NOTE: Davidovich Fokina aims to reach 33rd tour-level quarter-final, third on grass after 2022 Queen's Club and Eastbourne last year, and first since Dallas in February. 27-year-old, who went 10-0 vs. left-handers last year, is 2-5 vs. lefties this season, wins over Moutet in Hamburg 1R and over Norrie in 1R earlier this week.

[8] Tommy Paul (USA) vs Botic van de Zandschulp (NED) van de Zandschulp Leads 2-0

23 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage (Croatia) Hard RR Botic van de Zandschulp 7-6(2) 6-2
23 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France) Hard R32 Botic van de Zandschulp 6-4 2-6 6-3

Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Paul	25%	69%	36%	8.0	6.9	7.4	7.3
van de Zandschulp	24%	70%	36%	7.8	6.7	7.6	7.1
<i>Tour Average</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>7.0</i>

- Tommy Paul** | Age: 29 | World No. 28 | Career-High No. 8 | 2026: 27-11 (Houston Title) | Queen's: 8-2 (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 6-match winning streak at the 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 looks for his 49th tour-level quarter-final, sixth of the season, to join countryman Nakashima in the quarter-finals.

- Botic van de Zandschulp** | Age: 30 | World No. 56 | Career-High No. 22 | 2026: 13-11 (Bucharest SF) | Event: 4-2 ('22 SF)
- > Achieved new career-high ranking 14 times in 2022, peaking at No. 22 in August and ending 2nd straight season as No. 1 Dutchman.
 - > At 2021 US Open, became 3rd men's qualifier to reach US Open QF in Open Era, 1st Dutchman to reach Grand Slam QF since 2004, and only player to take a set off eventual champion Medvedev.

- > In 2024, posted upsets over No. 3 Alcaraz in US Open 2R for biggest win of career and Nadal in Davis Cup Finals to end former World No. 1's career and help Netherlands advance to 1st Davis Cup final in history (since 1900).
- > In Munich, upset No. 7 Ruud en route to 1st ATP Tour final in 2022 and No. 10 Fritz to reach 2nd final in 2023, before squandering 4 championship points in 2023 final and losing to Rune on both occasions.
- > Went 11-1 in Grand Slam qualifying matches in 2021, qualifying at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open, while entering Wimbledon as LL (l. to Tringelliti in Q3).

NOTE: van de Zandschulp aims to reach 17th tour-level quarter-final, second on grass after run to Queen's Club semi-finals four years ago. He seeks second Top 30 win of 2026 (1-7; d. No. 30 Nakashima at Australian Open 1R) and second Top 30 win on grass (1-6) after defeating No. 22 Dimitrov in 2022 Queen's Club 2R.

[Q] Rinky Hijikata (AUS) vs [2] Jiri Lehecka (CZE)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meetings

18 US Open Juniors (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Jiri Lehecka	7-6(6) 7-5
19 J1 Traralgon Juniors (Australia)	Hard	QF	Jiri Lehecka	5-7 6-4 6-3
19 J1 Roehampton Juniors (Great Britain)	Grass	R32	Jiri Lehecka	6-3 6-3
19 US Open Juniors (U.S.A.)	Hard	R16	Jiri Lehecka	6-4 6-3

Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Hijikata	24%	69%	34%	7.5	5.7	6.9	6.5
Lehecka	27%	70%	32%	8.5	6.6	7.4	6.9
<i>Tour Average</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>7.0</i>

Rinky Hijikata | Age: 25 | World No. 104 | Career-High No. 62 | 2026: 9-11 (Indian Wells 4R) | Queen's: 3-1 ('24 QF)

- > Former World No. 9 junior broke into Top 100 after reaching 2023 US Open 4R as WC and achieved career-high No. 62 in August 2024.
- > Rallied from a set down three times to reach 1st ATP Tour SF at 2023 's-Hertogenbosch as LL as well as to defeat No. 10 Bublik for biggest win of career to reach 2026 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells 4R.
- > Defeated [1] Koolhof/Skupski en route to 2023 Australian Open doubles title in team debut w/Kubler, joining Kokkinakis/Kyrgios as 2nd straight All-Aussie WCs to win their home Grand Slam championship.
- > Also at 2023 Australian Open, rallied from 2 sets down vs. Hanfmann for 1st Grand Slam main draw singles win of career.
- > Won 4 Challenger singles titles on home soil: Playford in 2022, 2024 and 2025 and Burnie immediately after 2023 Australian Open.
- > Played college tennis at University of North Carolina from 2020-21, earning All-American honours as a sophomore before turning pro.

NOTE: Hijikata is 1-18 vs. Top 20, defeating No. 10 Bublik in ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells 3R earlier this year. He aims to reach his seventh ATP Tour QF, first since Adelaide in January last year, and second at ATP 500 level after reaching Queen's Club QF two years ago, also as Q (l. to Korda).

Jiri Lehecka | Age: 24 | World No. 12 (Career-High) | 2026: 20-11 (Miami Final) | Queen's: 6-2 (2025 Final)

- > Broke into Top 20 in September 2025 and achieved career-high No. 12 in May 2026 soon after reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 final without dropping serve en route (56 of 56 service games won) in Miami.
- > Joined Berdych, P. Korda and Lendl as only Czech men to advance to quarter-finals of both hard-court Grand Slams after reaching last 8 stage at Australian Open in 2023 and US Open in 2025.
- > Also in Australia, captured both career ATP Tour titles at 2024 Adelaide and 2025 Brisbane.
- > Defeated No. 5 Rublev to reach 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2023 Doha and en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2024 Indian Wells before defeating No. 4 Medvedev via RET to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2024 Madrid.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour SF at 2022 Rotterdam as Q after defeating No. 12 Shapovalov in 1R for 1st ATP Tour win.
- > Celebrated 21st birthday during 2022 Next Gen ATP Finals and finished as runner-up.
- > Former World No. 10 junior won 2019 Wimbledon boys' doubles title with countryman Forejtek.

NOTE: Lehecka aims to be the fourth Czech to reach back-to-back quarter-finals at Queen's Club following Lendl in 1989-90, Stepanek in 2004-05 and Berdych in 2013-14 and reach his 28th tour-level quarter-final, sixth this season. He is 11-1 vs. players outside Top 20 on grass since 2023, lone loss to No. 73 Bellucci in Wimbledon 2R last year.

Hamad Medjedovic (SRB) vs Ugo Humbert (FRA)

25 Marseille (France)

Hard F Ugo Humbert

Humbert Leads 1-0

7-6(4) 6-4

Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Medjedovic	29%	67%	32%	8.4	6.5	7.3	6.5
Humbert	27%	67%	29%	8.0	6.4	7.4	7.1
<i>Tour Average</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>7.0</i>

Hamad Medjedovic | Age: 22 | World No. 67 | Career-High No. 56 | 2026: 11-8 (Barcelona SF) | Queen's: 1-0 ('26 2R)
 > 2023 Next Gen ATP Finals champion broke into Top 100 in January 2025 after opting to miss Australian Open Q to win Challenger title at Oeiras-1 and achieved career-high No. 56 in May 2026.
 > Defeated countryman Djere to reach 1st ATP Tour final at 2024 Belgrade and advanced to 2025 Marseille final after wins over former champions Khachanov and No. 8 Medvedev.
 > Came through qualifying and upset former World No. 3 Thiem en route to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2023 Gstaad and defeated No. 7 de Minaur for biggest win of career en route to 2026 Barcelona SF.
 > Owns 56-31 Challenger record (6-1 in finals) and joined Djokovic and Tipsarevic as 3rd Serbian teenager to win 3 Challenger titles, doing so at 2022 Luedenscheid, 2023 Szekesfehervar and 2023 Mauthausen.
 > Achieved career-high No. 9 in junior rankings after winning titles without dropping a set at 2019 Berlin Grade 1 and 2019 New Delhi Grade 2.

NOTE: Medjedovic aims to record his 50th tour-level win of career (49-42) and reach his 8th ATP Tour QF (5-2), second on grass after reaching the stage in Mallorca last year. He would be the fifth Serbian quarter-finalist at Queen's Club after Zivojinovic (1985), Djokovic (2008, 2018), Troicki (2015) and Krajinovic (2022).

Ugo Humbert | Age: 27 | World No. 33 | Career-High No. 13 | 2026: 18-15 (Adelaide Final) | Queen's: 1-2 (2026 2R)
 > Broke into Top 20 in November 2023 and achieved career-high No. 13 in April 2024 soon after winning Dubai, joining Gulbis and Klizan as third player in Open Era to win 6th ATP Tour title in 6th final (now 7-4 in finals).
 > Went on a 13-match winning streak on French indoor hard courts, capturing titles at 2023 Metz and 2024 Marseille and equalling biggest win of career over No. 2 Alcaraz en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 final at 2024 Paris.
 > Upset No. 6 A. Zverev and No. 7 Rublev en route to 3rd of 7 career titles at 2021 Halle.
 > Won 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Auckland as 21-year-old to become youngest French champion since Gasquet, 21, at 2007 Mumbai and saved 4 MPs vs. Evans en route to 2nd ATP Tour title at 2020 Antwerp.
 > Earned 14 wins vs. Top 10, including biggest win of career over No. 2 Medvedev at 2022 ATP Cup.
 > Defeated former No. 3 Thiem 6-3 6-0 to win 7th Challenger title of career at 2022 Rennes and in May 2023 earned 8th and 9th Challenger titles in Cagliari and Bordeaux in a 3-week span.

NOTE: Humbert looks for his 38th tour-level quarter-final, fourth of the season (Adelaide, Rotterdam, Hamburg) and eighth on grass. He would be the third French men's quarter-finalist at Queen's Club in this decade after Mannarino in 2023 and Rinderknech last year (also Moutet, plays Davidovich Fokina on Thursday).