

LTA Daily Player Media Notes

Lexus Nottingham Open – Saturday, June 20, 2026

Centre Court – Match 1

Karolina Pliskova (WR87 – CZE) v [4] Marie Bouzkova (WR27 – CZE)

Head to Head: Pliskova leads 2-1

2018	Brisbane	R16	Hard	Pliskova 75 62
2022	Madrid	R64	Clay	Bouzkova 64 75
2022	US Open	R64	Hard	Pliskova 63 62

1st all-Czech WTA Tour SF outside Prague since Pliskova defeated Vondrousova at Rome in 2020, and 1st all-Czech SF on grass since Kvitova defeated Safarova at Birmingham in 2017.

Bouzkova competed in last all-Czech SF on WTA Tour, at Prague last year, defeating Valentova.

KAROLINA PLISKOVA

- Defeated No. 11 seed Sara Bejlek [26 76\(3\) 62](#) in R1, Caty McNally [64 76\(3\)](#) in R2 and Taylah Gibson [75 64](#) in QF.
- 3rd appearance at Nottingham as a WTA Tour event. Won title in 2016, defeating Alison Riske in final, and finalist in 2024, falling to Katie Boulter.
- Has a 12-1 win-loss record at Nottingham as a WTA Tour event and also reached SF (2012) at Nottingham when it was an ITF event.
- 54th WTA Tour SF, 1st since Nottingham in 2024, and 8th on grass. She has a 34-19 win-loss record in WTA Tour SF's, and a 7-0 win-loss record in WTA SF's on grass (one win was by W/O).
- 1st woman to reach 4 SF's at Nottingham, although one of them was ITF event in 2012 and bidding to reach 35th WTA Tour final, 1st since Nottingham in 2024, and 8th on grass.
- Since 2015 no one has reached more WTA Tour finals on grass than her (7).
- Bids to become 2nd woman to reach 3 Nottingham finals, after Jo Konta (2017, 2018, 2021).
- Won 17 WTA Tour titles, with last one coming two-and-a-half years ago, in home country at Prague.
- Won 3 WTA Tour titles on grass, at Nottingham in 2016, and at Eastbourne in 2017 and in 2019. Since 2016, only Petra Kvitova has won more WTA Tour titles on grass than her (4).
- Wimbledon finalist in 2021, falling to Ashleigh Barty. Also US Open finalist in 2016, falling to Angelique Kerber.
- Didn't play at all from October 2024 to January this year due to left ankle and back injuries.
- World No. 1 for 8 weeks from July to September 2017. Was ranked at No. 1057 at start of this year.
- 4th WTA Tour SF against Czech players – 1-2 win-loss record – won last one, against Vondrousova at Rome in 2020.
- WTA biography [HERE](#)

MARIE BOUZKOVA

- Defeated Tereza Valentova [63 63](#) in R1, Hannah Klugman [75 62](#) in R2 and Tatjana Maria [75 60](#) in QF.
- 2nd appearance at Nottingham – fell to Katie Boulter in R1 in 2021 and 15th WTA Tour SF, 2nd of 2026, and 1st ever on grass.
- Has a 9-5 win-loss record in WTA Tour SF's.
- Czech players won 9 of last 10 WTA Tour SF's on grass (this stat doesn't include Linda Noskova, who is in SF at Bad Homburg).
- 4th Czech woman to reach Nottingham SF as a WTA Tour event, after Karolina Pliskova, Lucie Safarova and Tereza Martincova.
- Bids to reach 10th WTA Tour final, and 2nd of 2026 (Bogota on clay, won title) and to become 2nd Czech to reach multiple WTA Tour finals in 2026 (Karolina Muchova at Doha and Stuttgart).
- Aims to become 2nd Czech woman to reach Nottingham final as a WTA Tour event, after Pliskova (2016, 2024).
- Won 3 WTA Tour titles – two in home country (Prague 2022, 2025) and one this year, at Bogota.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 24 in December 2022. Currently Czechia's No. 3, behind Muchova and Linda Noskova. Might go to a new career-high if wins title.
- Won both previous WTA Tour SF's against Czechs, against Linda Noskova and Tereza Valentova (Prague 2022, 2025). Went on to win title on both occasions.
- WTA biography [HERE](#)

Centre Court – Match 2

Emma Navarro (WR25 – USA) v [Q] Viktorija Golubic (WR76 – SUI)

Head to Head: Navarro leads 1-0

2024 Hong Kong (WTA 125)

R32

Hard

Navarro 75 64

EMMA NAVARRO

- Defeated Anna Bondar [67\(8\) 63 62](#) in R1, Yuliia Starodubtseva [64 67\(3\) 64](#) in R2 and Jessica Bouzas Maneiro [76\(6\) 62](#) in QF.
- Debut at Nottingham.
- 12th WTA Tour SF, 2nd of 2026 (Strasbourg) and 3rd on grass (Bad Homburg in 2023 and 2024).
- Has a 3-8 win-loss record in WTA Tour SF's, but won last 2.
- Last 2 occasions she's reached a WTA Tour SF she has gone on to win title (Merida last year and Strasbourg this year).
- Has a 0-2 win-loss record in WTA Tour SF's on grass, losing both at Bad Homburg (mentioned above).
- An American has reached at least SF in all 4 WTA Tour events on grass so far in 2026 (Jovic at Queen's, Montgomery at s'Hertogenbosch, Pegula at Berlin, Navarro at Nottingham).
- Bids to reach 4th WTA Tour final and 1st on grass. Has a 3-0 win-loss record in WTA Tour finals.
- Bids to become 5th American woman to reach Nottingham Open final since it began in 1971, after Julie Heldman (1971), Bille Jean King (1972, 1973), Alison Riske (2016, 2022) and McCartney Kessler (2025).
- Won 3 WTA Tour titles, at Hobart in 2024, at WTA 500 Merida last year and at WTA 500 Strasbourg last month.
- Wimbledon QF in 2024, falling to Jasmine Paolini, SF at US Open in 2024, falling to Aryna Sabalenka and QF at this year's Australian Open, falling to Iga Swiatek.
- Achieved career-high ranking of No. 8 in September 2024, when 1st cracked top 10.
- WTA biography [HERE](#)

VIKTORIJA GOLUBIC

- Won 2 matches in qualifying, including against former Grand Slam champion Sofia Kenin in R2. Then defeated Kenin again [62 46 63](#) in R1 (Kenin was one of 6 lucky losers), Zeynep Sonmez [75 46 64](#) in R2 and Ann Li [63 26 63](#) in QF.
- 6th appearance at Nottingham – best result is reaching SF in 2022, falling to American Alison Riske. Also reached QF here in 2022, falling to Heather Watson.
- 9th WTA Tour SF, 1st since Jiujiang in November last year, and 2nd on grass (Nottingham in 2022).
- Has a 5-4 win-loss record in WTA Tour SF's (1 win was a walkover).
- 2nd qualifier to reach WTA Tour SF on grass in 2026, after Robin Montgomery won title at s'Hertogenbosch last week.
- 2nd women's qualifier to reach SF at Nottingham as a WTA Tour event, after Heather Watson in 2023 (SF).
- Bids to reach 6th WTA Tour final, 1st since November 2024, and 1st ever on grass.
- Bids to become 1st Swiss woman to reach Nottingham as a WTA Tour event. Timea Bacsinszky did reach final in 2014 when it was an ITF event.
- Bids to become 1st Swiss to reach a WTA Tour final on grass since Belinda Bencic at Berlin in 2022. Swiss lost last 3 WTA Tour SF's on grass since then, most recently Bencic at Wimbledon last year.
- Bids to become 6th qualifier to reach a WTA Tour final in 2026, and 1st ever women's qualifier to reach a Nottingham final as a WTA Tour event (Jarmila Gajdosova won title here as a qualifier in 2014, but it was an ITF event).
- Won 2 WTA Tour titles, at Gstaad in 2016 and at Jiujiang in 2024.
- Best Grand Slam result has come at Wimbledon, reaching QF in 2021.
- Won a silver medal in the doubles at the 2021 Olympics alongside partner Belinda Bencic.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 35 in February 2022.
- Has a 42-77 win-loss record against top 50 players, winning just 1 of her last 8 such matches. 10-10 win-loss record on grass.
- WTA biography [HERE](#)

Centre Court – Match 3

Otto Virtanen (WR160 – FIN) v Christopher O'Connell (WR154 – AUS)

Head to Head: O'Connell leads 1-0

2024 Tokyo

Q1

Hard

O'Connell 64 64

21st all-unseeded final on ATP Challenger Tour in 2026, and 2nd on grass (Birmingham). All 3 ATP Challenger Tour events on grass will have been won by unseeded players.

48 of 115 ATP Challenger Tour finals in 2026 gone to deciding set, 27 won from set down, 11 gone to deciding set tie-break, 4 retirements and 1 walkover.

OTTO VIRTANEN

- Defeated Kwon-soon Woo [62 75](#) in R1, Felix Gill [62 63](#) in R2, Billy Harris [76\(3\) 76\(3\)](#) in QF and Zhizhen Zhang [64 67\(5\) 75](#) in SF.
- 3rd appearance at Nottingham.
- 11th ATP Challenger Tour final, 2nd of 2026, and 3rd on grass.
- Reached final in his last 3 ATP Challenger Tour events on grass (at Birmingham last year, plus at Birmingham and at Nottingham this year).
- Reached final at Birmingham two weeks ago in defence of his title, but fell to Bu Yunchaokete.
- Joins Bu in reaching 2 ATP Challenger Tour finals on grass in same year.
- Won 8 of previous 10 ATP Challenger Tour finals. Won first 8, but lost last 2, to Patrick Kypson in home country at Helsinki in November last year, and of course at Birmingham two weeks ago.
- Won 8 ATP Challenger Tour titles.
- 1st Finnish player, man or woman, to reach Nottingham final.
- Won just 2 matches on ATP Tour this year – both in Davis Cup against Hong Kong as Finland won the tie 3-1 in the World Group 1 play-offs.
- Best result on grass on ATP Tour is reaching R16 at s'Hertogenbosch last year.
- Won the 2018 Wimbledon boys' doubles title with partner Yanki Erel. Was a good junior – won the 2018 Orange Bowl.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 91 in November 2024. Currently Finland's No. 1.
- ATP Tour biography [HERE](#)

CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL

- Defeated No. 6 seed Henrique Rocha [76\(2\) 61](#) in R1, Jay Clarke [46 64 76\(5\)](#) in R2 (saved 2 match points), No. 2 seed Benjamin Bonzi [64 64](#) in QF and qualifier Remy Bertola [64 75](#) in SF.
- Debut at Nottingham Open.
- 11th ATP Challenger Tour final, 1st since September 2024, and 1st ever final at any level on grass.
- Has a 6-4 win-loss record in ATP Challenger Tour finals, winning last 3.
- 5th Australian man to reach Nottingham Open final, after Nick Kyrgios and Samuel Groth (2014), Alex de Minaur (2018) and Jordan Thompson (2022).
- Bids to win 7th ATP Challenger Tour title, and 1st since September 2024.
- Bids to become 3rd Australian man to win Nottingham Open title, after Kyrgios (2014) and de Minaur (2018).
- Best results on ATP Tour are 2 SF's, at San Diego in 2022 and at Munich in 2023.
- Best results at the Grand Slams are reaching R3 on 3 occasions, including once at Wimbledon (2023).
- Best result on ATP Tour in 2026 is reaching QF at Rotterdam (ATP 500) in February, defeating Brit Cameron Norrie in R2.
- Achieved a career-high ranking of No. 53 in September 2023.
- ATP Tour biography [HERE](#)