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On court today...

- Niels Vink and Sam Schroder meet in the latest instalment of the rivalry that has dominated the quad wheelchair category over the last 4 years. Vink has a healthy lead in his head-to-head with Schroder – but it is Schroder who has been dominant at the Australian Open. He won both of the pair's previous meetings in the final here in 2023 and 2025 and has won the title here for the last 4 years. Another victory today will see him become just the 3rd player to record a streak of 5 consecutive wheelchair singles titles at the Australian Open, after Dylan Alcott and Shingo Kunieda. But if Vink can end that run and win his first title here, he will become the 5th player to complete the career Golden Slam in wheelchair singles, and the 2nd in the quad division after Alcott.
- The women's wheelchair singles semifinals saw a pair of terrific matches decided in final-set tiebreaks – and the 2 winners go head-to-head in the final today. For Li Xiaohui, who defeated No. 1 seed Yui Kamiji in the semifinals, victory today would see her win her first Grand Slam title in her 2nd major final. Li finished runner-up to Kamiji at the US Open last year – and she will hope to emulate the achievement of her compatriot Wang Ziyang, who became the first Chinese player to win a Grand Slam wheelchair singles title at Wimbledon last year. Her opponent today, however, is perhaps the most experienced women's wheelchair player. Diede de Groot, who defeated Wang in the last 4, looks to have found her groove again, having missed this tournament last year while recovering from hip surgery. The Dutchwoman did not win a Grand Slam singles title in 2025 – her first year without a major victory since 2016 – and will be hungry to claim her 7th Australian Open title and 24th Grand Slam title today.
- The No. 1 seed in the men's wheelchair singles draw was also defeated on Friday, with Martin de la Puente stunning defending champion Alfie Hewett in the semifinals. His reward for doing so is a match-up with Tokito Oda today – and although Oda is No. 2 seed here, he remains very much at the top of the game. Oda lost to Hewett in the final here last year, but that proved to be his only defeat in 2025. He won the titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and the US Open – and will become just the 2nd player to win 4 consecutive Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles titles, after Kunieda, if he wins today. De La Puente lost his only previous Grand Slam final to Hewett at 2024 Wimbledon – he will become the first Spanish player to win a Grand Slam wheelchair singles title if he is victorious this afternoon.

NO. 1 NIELS VINK (NED) v NO. 2 SAM SCHRODER (NED)

Head-to-head: Vink leads 28-14

A 43rd meeting for Vink and Schroder and their 12th at a Grand Slam. Vink leads the overall head-to-head (28-14) and the head-to-head at the Grand Slams (7-4).

Of the pair's 11 previous Grand Slam meetings, 10 have come in finals. Vink leads the head-to-head in Grand Slam finals 6-4 – but Schroder has won both of their previous meetings in the final at the Australian Open. Schroder recorded a 62 75 victory in the final here in 2023 and a 76(7) 75 victory in the final here last year.

This is the pair's 37th meeting in the final of a tournament. Vink leads their head-to-head in finals 25-11. The pair have already contested 2 finals this season, with Vink defeating Schroder at 500 Adelaide before Schroder won their most-recent meeting, in the final at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open last week, with Vink retiring after the pair split the opening 2 sets. The pair's last 29 meetings have come in finals.

Schroder is bidding to win his 5th Australian Open title and claim sole ownership of 2nd place on the list for most Australian Open quad wheelchair singles title, ahead of Peter Norfolk.

Australian Open quad wheelchair singles titles	
Player	Australian Open singles titles
Dylan Alcott	7
Peter Norfolk	4
Sam Schroder	4
David Wagner	3

Vink and Schroder are both bidding to win their 8th Grand Slam titles. The winner of today's match will claim sole ownership of 2nd place on the list for most Grand Slam quad wheelchair singles titles.

Most Grand Slam quad wheelchair singles titles	
Player	Grand Slam singles titles
Dylan Alcott	15
Sam Schroder	7
Niels Vink	7
Peter Norfolk	6
David Wagner	6

Since Dylan Alcott won his 15th and final Grand Slam singles title at the 2021 US Open, Schroder and Vink have won the quad wheelchair singles titles at 13 of the 15 Grand Slam tournaments, with Vink winning 7 titles and Schroder winning 6 titles in that time. The only other player to win a Grand Slam quad wheelchair singles title in that time is Guy Sasson, who has won back-to-back singles titles at Roland Garros in 2024-25.

Since the start of the 2022 season, Vink and Schroder have contested the singles final at 11 of the 16 Grand Slam wheelchair tournaments – including this event. (NB the 2024 US Open wheelchair tournament was not held due to the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games)

Grand Slam wheelchair quad singles finals since the 2022 Australian Open				
Year	Australian Open	Roland Garros	Wimbledon	US Open
2022	Schroder d. Alcott	Vink d. Schroder	Schroder d. Vink	Vink d. Schroder
2023	Schroder d. Vink	Vink d. Schroder	Vink d. Davidson	Schroder d. Vink
2024	Schroder d. Sasson	Sasson d. Schroder	Vink d. Schroder	-
2025	Schroder d. Vink	Sasson d. Vink	Vink d. Schroder	Vink d. Schroder
2026	Vink v Schroder	???	???	???

Schroder and Vink are 2 of 3 Dutchmen to have won a Grand Slam wheelchair singles title – alongside Robin Ammerlaan, who won 3 Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles titles. Six Dutchwomen have won Grand Slam wheelchair singles titles.

Schroder and Vink have won 9 Grand Slam doubles titles together but have played separately in the quad wheelchair doubles events at the Grand Slams since 2025. Vink and Sasson defeated Schroder and Ahmet Kaplan 76(6) 60 in the doubles 1st round here and went on to win the title, defeating Heath Davidson/Andy Laphorne 63 61 in the final on Friday.

Road to the final

VINK	Time		Time	SCHRODER
d. (WC) Finn Broadbent 60 61	0:50	1st round	0:51	d. Robert Shaw 61 62
d. Gonzalo Enrique Lazarte 60 61	0:43	Quarterfinals	1:09	d. Jin Woodman 75 60
d. No. 3 Guy Sasson 61 61	1:07	Semifinals	1:00	d. No. 4 Ahmet Kaplan 61 64
total time on court	2:40	(Infosys time)	3:00	total time on court

VINK	v	SCHRODER
23	Age	26
1	Ranking	2
7	Grand Slam Singles Titles	7
54	Singles Titles	38
43-10	Grand Slam Record	49-15
11-4	Australian Open Record	18-1
311-55	Career Record	326-99
9-1	2026 Record	9-1

- **VINK** is bidding to win his first Australian Open singles title and become the 6th player to complete the career Grand Slam in wheelchair singles – after Dylan Alcott (quad), Diede De Groot (women’s) and Alfie Hewett, Shingo Kunieda and Tokito Oda (all men’s).
- Aged 23 years 57 days, Vink is bidding to become the **3rd-youngest player to complete the career Grand Slam in wheelchair singles**.

Age at which players complete the Grand Slam in wheelchair tennis

Player	Age completed	Event where completed
Tokito Oda	19 years 122 days	2025 US Open
Diede de Groot	22 years 171 days	2019 Roland Garros
Niels Vink??	23 years 57 days??	2026 Australian Open??
Alfie Hewett	26 years 221 days	2024 Wimbledon
Dylan Alcott	28 years 222 days	2019 Wimbledon
Shingo Kunieda	38 years 139 days	2022 Wimbledon

- Having won the gold medal in singles at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event, Vink is also bidding to become the **5th player to complete the career Golden Slam in wheelchair singles** – after Alcott, De Groot, Kunieda and Oda.
- Vink is bidding to win his **8th Grand Slam singles title**. He has won the titles at Roland Garros in 2022 (d. Schroder) and 2023 (d. Schroder), at the US Open in 2022 (d. Schroder) and 2025 (d. Schroder), and at Wimbledon in 2023 (d. Heath Davidson), 2024 (d. Schroder) and 2025 (d. Schroder).
- Vink is contesting his **3rd Australian Open singles final**. His only previous appearances in the final here came in 2023 and 2025, falling to Schroder on both occasions.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams last year**, Vink finished runner-up at Roland Garros (l. Guy Sasson).
- Vink is contesting his **14th Grand Slam singles final**. In addition to his defeats in the final here in 2023 and 2025, he has a 2-1 win-loss record in finals at Roland Garros, a 3-1 win-loss record in finals at Wimbledon and a 2-2 win-loss record in finals at the US Open.
- Vink is making his **6th appearance at the Australian Open** and his 18th Grand Slam appearance overall. He lost to Alcott on his first 2 appearances here – in the semifinals in 2021 and in the 1st round in 2022 – and fell to Sasson in the semifinals here in 2024.

- Vink won his **first gold medal in quad wheelchair singles at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event**, defeating Schroder in the final.
- **Prior to the Australian Open this year**, Vink won the title at 500 Adelaide (AUS) (d. Schroder) but finished runner-up at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open, retiring against Schroder in the final.
- Vink is bidding to win his **55th singles title**. He won 7 titles in 2025. In addition to his title-victories at Wimbledon and the US Open, he also won the titles at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (AUS) (d. Sasson), Baton Rouge (USA) (d. Ahmet Kaplan), Iizuka, Fukuoka (JPN) (d. Schroder), Barcelona (ESP) (d. Sasson) and the British Open (GBR) (d. Schroder).
- Vink is a **13-time Grand Slam doubles champion**. He has won 9 Grand Slam doubles titles alongside Schroder and 4 alongside Sasson. He and Sasson defeated Davidson/Andy Lapthorne 63 61 in the doubles final on Friday.
- Vink reached the **world No. 1 ranking** for the first time in December 2021. He has been ranked at No. 1 or No. 2 since February 2022 and has been at the top of the rankings continuously since January last year.
- Vink is coached by Alex Gaspa.
- **SCHRODER** is bidding to win his 5th Australian Open singles title. He won the title here in 2022 (d. Dylan Alcott), 2023 (d. Vink), 2024 (d. Guy Sasson) and 2025 (d. Vink).
- Schroder is bidding to win a 5th consecutive singles title here and become the **3rd player to record a streak of 5 Australian Open wheelchair singles titles** – and the 2nd player to do so in the quad category, after Alcott.

Longest Australian Open wheelchair singles title-winning streaks

Player	Length of streak	Years
Dylan Alcott	7	2015-21
Shingo Kunieda	5	2007-11
Sam Schroder	5??	2022-26??
Diede de Groot	4	2021-24
Esther Vergeer	4	2006-09
David Hall	3	2003-05
Shingo Kunieda	3	2013-15
Peter Norfolk	3	2008-10
Esther Vergeer	3	2002-04

- Schroder is bidding to win his 4th singles title here and claim sole ownership of **5th place on the list for most Australian Open wheelchair singles titles**, ahead of Peter Norfolk.

Most Australian Open wheelchair singles titles (all categories)

Player	Australian Open singles titles
Shingo Kunieda	11
Esther Vergeer	9
Dylan Alcott	7
Diede de Groot	7??
Sam Schroder	5??
Peter Norfolk	4

- Schroder is bidding to win his **8th Grand Slam singles title**. In addition to his title victories here in the last 4 years, he also won the title at the US Open in 2020 (d. Alcott) and 2023 (d. Vink), and at 2022 Wimbledon (d. Vink).
- Schroder is contesting his **6th Australian Open singles final**. In addition to his 4 title victories here, he also finished runner-up in 2021 (l. Alcott).
- Schroder is contesting his **18th Grand Slam singles final**. In addition to his 4-1 win-loss record in finals at the Australian Open, he has a 2-2 win-loss record in finals at the US Open, a 1-3 win-loss record in finals at Wimbledon and has lost all 4 finals he has contested at Roland Garros.

- Schroder is making his **6th appearance at the Australian Open** and his 22nd Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **At the Grand Slams in 2025**, in addition to his title-victory here, Schroder finished runner-up at both Wimbledon (l. Vink) and the US Open (l. Vink). He reached the semifinals at Roland Garros (l. Guy Sasson).
- **Prior to the Australian Open this year**, Schroder won the title at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open, defeating Vink, who retired in the final, but finished runner-up at 500 Adelaide (AUS) (l. Vink).
- Schroder is bidding to win his **39th singles title**. He won 4 titles in 2025. In addition to his title victory here, he won the titles at Seoul (KOR) (d. Ahmet Kaplan), the French Riviera Open (FRA) (d. Sasson) and the Wheelchair Singles Masters (d. Sasson).
- Schroder is an **11-time Grand Slam doubles champion**. He has won 9 Grand Slam doubles titles alongside Vink and one Grand Slams doubles title alongside each of David Wagner and Andy Lapthorne. He and Lapthorne fell to Sasson/Vink 76(6) 60 in the 1st round of the doubles here on Wednesday.
- Schroder is a **4-time Paralympic medallist**. He won the quad singles silver medal at both Tokyo 2020 (l. Alcott) and Paris 2024 (l. Vink). He and Vink won the quad doubles gold medal at both Tokyo 2020 (d. Alcott/Heath Davidson) and Paris 2024 (d. Lapthorne/Gregory Slade).
- Schroder reached **the world No. 1 ranking** for the first time in February 2022. He was most-recently ranked at No. 1 from June 2024 to January 2025 and has been ranked at No. 2 since then.
- Schroder has no permanent coach at present.

NO. 3 LI XIAOHUI (CHN) v DIEDE DE GROOT (NED)

Head-to-head: De Groot leads 4-3

An 8th meeting between Li and De Groot, and their 4th meeting at the Grand Slams. De Groot leads their overall head-to-head (4-3) but Li leads their head-to-head at the Grand Slams (2-1). De Groot won their first meeting at the Grand Slams, in the 1st round at 2024 Roland Garros, before Li won both Grand Slam matches they contested in 2025, in the 1st round at Roland Garros and in the quarterfinals at Wimbledon.

This is the pair's 2nd meeting in a tournament final. De Groot won the only previous final the pair have contested, at Barcelona last year.

De Groot is in 2nd place on the list for most Australian Open women's wheelchair singles titles. Li is bidding to become the 9th player to win the women's wheelchair singles title here.

Australian Open women's wheelchair singles titles	
Player	Australian Open singles titles
Esther Vergeer	9
Diede de Groot	6
Yui Kamiji	3
Jiske Griffioen	2
Sabine Ellerbrock	1
Korie Homan	1
Aniek van Koot	1
Mie Yaosa	1

De Groot holds the record for most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles. Li is bidding to become the 12th player to win a Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles title.

Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles	
Player	Grand Slam singles titles
Diede de Groot	23
Esther Vergeer	21
Yui Kamiji	11
Jiske Griffioen	4
Aniek van Koot	3
Sabine Ellerbrock	2
Marjolein Buis	1
Korie Homan	1
Wang Ziyang	1
Jordanne Whiley	1
Mie Yaosa	1

Road to the final

LI	Time		Time	DE GROOT
d. Ksenia Chasteau 62 36 61	1:42	1st round	0:51	d. (WC) Jinte Bos 60 63
d. (Q) Momoko Ohtani 63 62	1:01	Quarterfinals	1:00	d. No. 2 Aniek van Koot 62 62
d. No. 1 Yui Kamiji 36 62 76(8)	2:14	Semifinals	2:12	d. No. 4 Wang Ziyang 64 36 76(9)
total time on court	4:57	(Infosys time)	4:03	total time on court

LI	v	DE GROOT
26	Age	29
3	Ranking	5
0	Grand Slam Singles Titles	23
13	Singles Titles	95
13-7	Grand Slam Record	88-10
5-2	Australian Open Record	23-2
105-34	Career Record	497-76
8-2	2026 Record	8-2

- **LI** is bidding to win her first Grand Slam singles title and become the 2nd Chinese player to win a Grand Slam wheelchair singles title – after Wang Ziyang, who won the singles title at Wimbledon last year.
- Li is bidding to become the **3rd Chinese player to win a Grand Slam singles title** (excluding junior events) – after Wang and Li Na, who won the women’s singles titles at 2011 Roland Garros and the 2014 Australian Open.
- Li is contesting her **2nd Grand Slam singles final**. She reached her first Grand Slam singles final at the US Open last year, finishing runner-up to Yui Kamiji.
- By reaching the final here, Li has recorded her **best Australian Open result**. Her previous best result here was reaching the semifinals last year (l. Kamiji). On her only other appearance here, in 2024, she fell in the 1st round (l. Zhu Zhenzhen).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams last year**, Li reached the semifinals at Roland Garros and Wimbledon, falling to Kamiji at both events.
- Li is making her **3rd appearance at the Australian Open** and her 8th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Prior to the Australian Open this year**, Li finished runner-up at 500 Sydney (AUS), where she gave a walkover to Kamiji in the final. She also reached the semifinals at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (l. Wang) and the quarterfinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (l. Kgothatso Montjane).
- Li is bidding to win her **14th singles title**. She won 4 titles in 2025 – at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (d. Kamiji), Busan (KOR) (d. Wang), Iizuka, Fukuoka (JPN) (d. Kamiji) and Rome (ITA) (d. Aniek van Koot).
- Li is a **4-time Grand Slam doubles champion**. She won her first 3 Grand Slam doubles titles in 2025, partnering Wang in title-victories at the Australian Open, Wimbledon and the US Open. She and Wang won their 4th Grand Slam doubles title on Friday, defeating Kamiji/Zhu 64 63 in the final.
- **Li made her Paralympic debut** at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event. She reached the quarterfinals in women’s singles (l. Van Koot) and finished in 4th place in women’s doubles alongside Zhu Zhenzhen, falling to Kamiji/Manami Tanaka in the semifinals and falling to Guo Luoyao/Wang in the bronze medal match.
- Li reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 2 in November last year. She plays here at No. 3.
- Li is coached by Wang Ruiyan.
- **DE GROOT** is bidding to win her 7th Australian Open title. She defeated Yui Kamiji to win the title here in 2018, 2019, 2021, 2023 and 2024, and defeated Aniek van Koot to win the title here in 2022.
- De Groot is bidding to equal Dylan Alcott in **3rd place on the list for most Australian Open wheelchair singles titles won** across all categories.

Most Australian Open wheelchair singles titles (all categories)

Player	Roland Garros singles titles
Shingo Kunieda	11
Esther Vergeer	9
Dylan Alcott	7
Diede de Groot	7??
Sam Schroder	5??
Peter Norfolk	4

- De Groot is bidding to win her **24th Grand Slam singles title**. In addition to her 6 titles here, she has won 6 titles at the US Open, 6 titles at Wimbledon and 5 titles at Roland Garros. She is in 2nd place on the list for most Grand Slam wheelchair singles titles won across all categories – behind Shingo Kunieda, who won 28 Grand Slam men’s wheelchair singles titles.

- De Groot is bidding to extend her **all-time record for most Grand Slam women's wheelchair singles titles**, ahead of Esther Vergeer. She claimed sole ownership of the record by winning her 22nd Grand Slam singles title at 2024 Roland Garros. Vergeer won 21 Grand Slam titles between 2002 and 2012.
- **At the Grand Slams last year**, De Groot reached the quarterfinals at Wimbledon (d. Lucy Shuker, I. Li) and the US Open (d. Shuker, I. Kamiji), but fell in the 1st round at Roland Garros (I. Li). She did not compete at the Australian Open while she recovered from hip surgery. She had previously made 30 consecutive Grand Slam appearances from her debut at the 2017 Australian Open through to 2024 Wimbledon.
- De Groot is contesting her **27th Grand Slam final**. In addition to her 23 Grand Slam titles, she also finished runner-up at the 2017 US Open (I. Kamiji), 2018 Roland Garros (I. Kamiji) and 2019 Wimbledon (I. Van Koot).
- De Groot is bidding to win her **96th singles title**. She won 5 titles in 2025 – at Barcelona (ESP) (d. Li), the Belgian Open (d. Zhu Zhenzhen), College Park (USA) (d. Van Koot), the Sardinia Open (ITA) (d. Griffioen) and the French Riviera Open (FRA) (d. Van Koot).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, De Groot finished runner-up at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (I. Wang Ziying) and reached the semifinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (I. Kamiji).
- De Groot **won the Golden Slam in 2021, and the Grand Slam in 2022 and 2023** – in addition to winning the singles title at all 4 Grand Slam tournaments each of those years, she also won Paralympic singles gold, defeating Kamiji in the final at the Tokyo 2020 Paralympic Tennis Event in 2021. She and Van Koot also won the gold medal together in the women's doubles event, defeating Lucy Shuker/Jordanne Whiley in the final.
- De Groot won 15 consecutive Grand Slam titles from the 2021 Australian Open to 2024 Wimbledon, claiming the **record for most consecutive Grand Slam wheelchair singles titles**. She claimed sole ownership of the record by winning her 13th consecutive Grand Slam title here in 2024, overtaking Shingo Kunieda's streak of 12 titles won from the 2007 Australian Open to the 2011 Australian Open. (NB Kunieda recorded his streak before all 4 Grand Slam tournaments held wheelchair singles events)
- De Groot's **52-match Grand Slam winning streak ended at Roland Garros last year**, when she fell to Li in the 1st round. She had previously not lost a Grand Slam match since falling to Momoko Ohtani in the semifinals at 2020 Roland Garros.
- De Groot recorded a **145-match Tour-level winning streak between January 2021 and May 2024**. She did not lose a match between falling to Kamiji in the final at the 2021 Melbourne Wheelchair Open and falling to Li in the final at the 2024 World Team Cup.
- De Groot is a **19-time Grand Slam doubles champion**. She has won 14 Grand Slam doubles titles alongside Van Koot, 2 with Kamiji, 2 with Jiske Griffioen and one with Marjolein Buis. She won the doubles title here with Van Koot in 2019 and 2021-23 and with Griffioen in 2024. She and Van Koot fell to Kamiji/Zhu Zhenzhen 63 60 in the semifinals of the women's wheelchair doubles here this year.
- De Groot is a **5-time Paralympic medallist**. In addition to her 2 gold medals at Tokyo 2020, she has also won 3 silver medals – in women's doubles at Rio 2016, alongside Buis, falling to Griffioen/Van Koot in the gold medal match and at Paris 2024 in both women's doubles, alongside Van Koot, falling to Kamiji/Manami Tanaka in the gold medal match, and in women's singles, falling to Kamiji in the gold medal match. She also lost to Griffioen in the semifinals of the singles at Rio 2016 and fell to Kamiji in the bronze medal match.
- De Groot first reached the **world No. 1 ranking** in March 2018 and was ranked at No. 1 continuously from June 2018 to January 2025. She fell as low as No. 11 in July last year before returning to the Top 10 in October. She plays here at No. 5.
- De Groot is coached by Dennis Sporel.

NO. 2 TOKITO ODA (JPN) v NO. 3 MARTIN DE LA PUENTE (ESP)

Head-to-head: Oda leads 15-2

An 18th meeting for Oda and De La Puente – and their 6th at a Grand Slam. Oda leads the overall head-to-head (15-2) and at the Grand Slams (4-1). It is their 2nd meeting at the Australian Open, with Oda having defeated De La Puente 61 61 in the semifinals here last year.

This is the pair's first meeting in a Grand Slam final. All 5 of the pair's previous meetings at the Grand Slams have come in semifinals – Oda recorded victories over De La Puente in the semifinals at Roland Garros in 2023 and 2025, at the 2025 Australian Open and the 2025 US Open. De La Puente's only victory over Oda at a Grand Slam came in the semifinals at 2024 Wimbledon.

This is the pair's 3rd meeting in a final. Oda has won both finals they have contested – at the 2021 Swiss Open, where he won 36 62 62 and at 2025 Iizuka, Fukuoka (JPN), where he won 76(5) 26 75.

De La Puente's 2 victories against Oda came in the semifinals at both the 2023 French Riviera Open and at 2024 Wimbledon.

Oda is bidding to become the 5th player to win multiple Australian Open men's wheelchair singles titles, while De La Puente is bidding to become the 11th player to win the men's wheelchair singles title here.

Australian Open men's wheelchair singles titles	
Player	Australian Open singles titles
Shingo Kunieda	11
David Hall	3
Gustavo Fernandez	2
Alfie Hewett	2
Robin Ammerlaan	1
Joachim Gerard	1
Michael Jeremiasz	1
Tokito Oda	1
Gordon Reid	1
Maikel Scheffers	1

Oda is bidding to win his 8th Grand Slam title. He is in 3rd place on the list for most Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles titles. De La Puente is bidding to become the 13th player to win a Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles title.

Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles titles	
Player	Grand Slam singles titles
Shingo Kunieda	28
Alfie Hewett	10
Tokito Oda	7
Gustavo Fernandez	5
Stephane Houdet	4
Robin Ammerlaan	3
David Hall	3
Joachim Gerard	2
Stefan Olsson	2
Maikel Scheffers	2
Gordon Reid	2
Michael Jeremiasz	1

Oda and De La Puente contested a men's wheelchair doubles match here in the 1st round on Wednesday. Oda and Gustavo Fernandez defeated No. 2 seeds De La Puente and Stephane Houdet 62 57 [10-6].

Road to the final

ODA	Time		Time	DE LA PUENTE
d. Casey Ratzlaff 63 63	1:17	1st round	1:38	d. Ruben Spaargaren 75 64
d. Tom Egberink 64 64	1:14	Quarterfinals	1:13	d. Stephane Houdet 63 62
d. No. 4 Gustavo Fernandez 61 76(2)	1:21	Semifinals	1:27	d. No. 1 Alfie Hewett 64 64
total time on court	3:52	(Infosys time)	4:18	total time on court

ODA	v	DE LA PUENTE
19	Age	26
1	Ranking	3
7	Grand Slam Singles Titles	0
40	Singles Titles	35
41-7	Grand Slam Record	21-13
13-2	Australian Open Record	6-3
255-38	Career Record	525-221
7-0	2026 Record	8-3

- **ODA** is bidding to win his 2nd Australian Open singles title. He defeated Hewett in the final in 2024 to win the title here for the first time.
- Oda is bidding to become the **2nd player in men's wheelchair tennis history to win 4 consecutive Grand Slam singles titles**. Since 2017, when all 4 Grand Slam events held singles events for the first time, Shingo Kunieda is the only player to have recorded a streak of 4 consecutive men's wheelchair singles titles – Kunieda won the title all 4 Grand Slam events from the 2021 US Open through to 2022 Wimbledon.
- At 19 years 269 days, Oda will become the **youngest man in professional tennis history to hold all 4 Grand Slam singles titles simultaneously** if he wins the title here – ahead of Don Budge, who completed the Grand Slam in men's singles at the 1938 US Championships aged 22 years 363 days. He would become the 2nd-youngest player, man or woman, to hold all 4 Grand Slam singles titles simultaneously – after Steffi Graf, who completed the Grand Slam in women's singles at the 1988 US Open aged 19 years 89 days.
- Oda is bidding to win his **8th Grand Slam singles title**. In addition to his title victory here in 2024, he has also won 3 titles at Roland Garros, 2 titles at Wimbledon and one title at the US Open.
- Oda is **one of 4 Japanese players to have won Grand Slam wheelchair singles titles** – alongside Kunieda (28 Grand Slam singles titles), Yui Kamiji (11) and Mie Yaosa (one).
- Oda is contesting his **4th Australian Open singles final**. In addition to his title-victory here in 2024, he also finished runner-up to Hewett here in 2023 and 2025.
- Oda is contesting his **10th Grand Slam singles final**. He has a 7-2 win-loss record in Grand Slam finals, with his only defeats coming against Hewett in the finals here in 2023 and 2025.
- Oda became the **5th player to win the career Grand Slam in wheelchair singles** by winning his first title at the US Open last year, where he defeated Gustavo Fernandez in the final. Elsewhere at the Grand Slams last year, he defeated Hewett in the finals at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon.
- Oda is making his **4th appearance at the Australian Open** and his 15th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Prior to the Australian Open this year**, Oda won the title at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (d. Hewett).
- Oda is bidding to win his **41st singles title**. He won 7 titles in 2025. In addition to his titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and the US Open, he also won the titles at Iizuka, Fukuoka (JPN) (d. Martin de la Puente), the Japan Open (JPN) (d. Daisuke Arai) and the Wheelchair Singles Masters (d. Hewett).
- Oda is a **2-time Grand Slam doubles champion**. He won his first Grand Slam doubles title alongside Fernandez at the 2025 US Open (d. Hewett/Reid), before the pair won a 2nd major title together here on Friday, defeating Daniel Caverzaschi/Ruben Spaargaren 62 61 in the final.

- Oda **won his first 2 Paralympic medals in 2024**. He won the gold medal in the men's singles at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event, defeating Hewett in the gold medal match. He and Yui Kamiji, who won the women's singles, became the 2nd and 3rd Japanese players to win a singles gold medal in Paralympic wheelchair tennis, after Kunieda, who won the men's singles gold medal at Beijing 2008, London 2012 and Tokyo 2020. Oda also won the men's doubles silver medal alongside Takuya Miki at Paris 2024, falling to Hewett/Reid in the gold medal match.
- Oda **became world No. 1 for the first time** after winning the title at Roland Garros in June 2023. Aged 17 years 35 days, he became the youngest man in history to hold the No. 1 ranking in any senior tennis discipline. He plays here at the same ranking. Oda broke the Top 10 for the first time in December 2021 and has remained inside the Top 10 since then.
- Oda is coached by Yuya Okado.
- **DE LA PUENTE** is bidding to become the first Spanish player to win a Grand Slam wheelchair singles title.
- De La Puente is bidding to become the **13th player to win a Grand Slam men's wheelchair singles title** – and the 7th active player to do so, after Alfie Hewett, Gustavo Fernandez, Stephane Houdet, Oda, Gordon Reid and Maikel Scheffers. (see table on page 9)
- De La Puente is contesting his **2nd Grand Slam singles final**. He reached his first Grand Slam final at 2024 Wimbledon, finishing runner-up to Hewett.
- By reaching the final here, De La Puente has recorded his **best Australian Open result**. His previous best result here was reaching the semifinals in 2025 (l. Oda).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams last year**, De La Puente fell in the semifinals at Roland Garros (l. Oda), Wimbledon (l. Hewett) and the US Open (l. Oda).
- De La Puente is making his **4th appearance at the Australian Open** and is contesting his 14th Grand Slam overall.
- **Prior to the Australian Open this year**, De La Puente finished runner-up at 500 Brisbane (AUS) (l. Hewett) and reached the semifinals at the Melbourne Wheelchair Open (l. Hewett) and the quarterfinals at the Victorian Wheelchair Open (l. Takuya Miki).
- De La Puente is bidding to win his **36th singles title**. He won 4 titles in 2025 – at Seoul (KOR) (d. Stephane Houdet), the Open International de Royan (FRA) (d. Miki), the Belgian Open (BEL) (d. Casey Ratzlaff) and the Sardinia Open (ITA) (d. Houdet).
- De La Puente is a **2-time Grand Slam doubles champion**. He won the doubles title alongside Nicolas Peifer at the 2022 US Open and alongside Ruben Spaargaren at 2025 Wimbledon, defeating Hewett/Reid in the final at both events. He competed in doubles as No. 2 seed with Houdet here, falling to Fernandez/Oda in the 1st round.
- De La Puente reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 in July 2023 after finishing runner-up at Wimbledon. He plays here at the same ranking.
- De La Puente won the **men's doubles bronze medal at the Paris 2024 Paralympic Wheelchair Tennis Event**. He and Daniel Caverzaschi fell to Takuya Miki/Oda in the semifinals before defeating Frederic Cattaneo/Houdet in the bronze medal match. He finished in 4th place in men's singles at Paris 2024, falling to Hewett in the semifinals and to Fernandez in the bronze medal match.
- De La Puente is coached by Roberto Rodriguez.