



## 2020 ROLAND GARROS QUAD WHEELCHAIR SINGLES FINAL NOTES Saturday 10 October

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## Head-to-head: Alcott leads 30-7

A 38th meeting for the pair, and their 15th at the Grand Slams. Alcott leads the overall head-to-head and also leads the head-to-head at the Grand Slams 13-2 – Lapthorne's only victories against Alcott at the Grand Slams came in the round robin stage at the 2017 US Open, when he recorded a 64 61 victory, and in the final at the US Open last year, when he won 60 61.

This is the pair's 5th meeting in a Grand Slam final. Alcott has won 3 of their 4 previous meetings in Grand Slam finals – at the Australian Open in 2017 and this year, and at 2019 Wimbledon. Lapthorne's only victory against Alcott in a Grand Slam final came at the US Open last year.

Alcott has won 6 of the pair's last 7 matches. Lapthorne's only victory against Alcott in that time came in the final at the US Open last year.

Alcott and Lapthorne contested the quad singles final at the 2016 Rio Paralympic Tennis Event with Alcott winning 64 63 to claim his first Paralympic gold medal in wheelchair tennis.

Alcott and Lapthorne fell to Sam Schroder/David Wagner 46 75 [10-8] in the quad wheelchair doubles final on Friday.

This is the 2nd year that the quad wheelchair singles event has been contested at Roland Garros.

ALCOTT	v	LAPTHORNE
29	Age	29
1	Ranking	2
10	Grand Slam Singles Titles	3
36	Singles Titles	20
43-7	Grand Slam Record	23-34
3-0	Roland Garros Record	0-0
218-53	Career Record	282-151
17-1	2020 Record	10-8

- **ALCOTT** is bidding to win his 2nd Roland Garros title, having defeated David Wagner in the final here last year.
- Alcott is also bidding to win his **11th Grand Slam title**. In addition to his victory here last year, he has also won 6 Australian Open titles, defeating Wagner in 2015-16 and 2018-19 and Lapthorne in 2017. He won the title at the US Open in 2015 (d. Wagner) and 2018 (d. Bryan Barten) and at Wimbledon last year (d. Lapthorne).
- Alcott is through to his **12th Grand Slam final**. Prior to the US Open last year, when he fell to Lapthorne in straight sets in the final, he had a perfect record in Grand Slam singles finals.
- Alcott advanced to the final after defeating wild card Sam Schroder 62 64 in the 1st round on Thursday.
- Alcott is bidding to extend his **perfect record in Roland Garros matches**. He won both his matches to win the title last year, defeating Ymanitu Silva in the semifinals and Wagner in the final.
- Alcott has **won 17 of the 18 matches he has contested in 2020**. His only defeat came against Schroder in the final at the US Open. In addition to his title at the Australian Open, he also won the titles at the Tweed Heads International (d. Schroder) and on clay at the French Riviera Open (d. Niels Vink).
- Alcott is a **double Paralympic gold medallist in tennis**. He won both the quad singles and doubles titles at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Tennis Event, defeating today's opponent to win the singles title and partnering Heath Davidson to defeat Nicholas Taylor and Wagner in the doubles final. (NB Alcott also won a gold medal in basketball at the Beijing 2008 Paralympic Games and a silver medal in basketball at the London 2012 Paralympic Games)

- Alcott has competed in a total of 5 **World Team Cup** events, either as a junior or in the quad event, for Australia, winning the quad title in 2016 and 2018. He has played a total of 21 ties in the competition and has a 29-5 overall win-loss record.
- Alcott has **won 36 singles titles**. The highest number of titles he has won in a year is 9, in 2016.
- Alcott has also **won 27 doubles titles** – including 6 Grand Slam doubles titles, alongside Davidson at the Australian Open in 2018-20, alongside Wagner at Roland Garros last year, and alongside Laphorne at Wimbledon last year and the US Open this year.
- Alcott is coached by Francois Vogelsberger.
- **LAPTHORNE** is bidding to win his first Roland Garros title on his debut appearance here.
- Laphorne is bidding to win his **3rd Grand Slam singles title**. He has won 2 titles at the US Open, defeating David Wagner to win the title in 2014 and Alcott to win the title last year.
- Laphorne is through to his **8th Grand Slam singles final** – and his first at Roland Garros. He finished runner-up at the Australian Open in 2013 (I. Wagner), 2017 (I. Alcott) and this year (I. Alcott). In addition to his 2 victories at the US Open, he also reached the final at the 2017 US Open (I. Wagner) and at Wimbledon last year (I. Alcott).
- Laphorne advanced to the final after defeating David Wagner 63 26 63 in the 1st round on Thursday.
- **At the Grand Slams this year**, in addition to his runner-up finish at the Australian Open, Laphorne won one of his 3 matches in the round-robin in the US Open and did not advance to the final.
- **Elsewhere in 2020**, Laphorne reached the final at Bolton (I. Schroder) and the semifinals at the Tweed Heads International (I. Alcott) and on clay at the French Riviera Open (I. Niels Vink).
- Laphorne has won 2 silver medals and one bronze medal in his **2 appearances at the Paralympics**. He won the silver medal in singles at the Rio 2016 Paralympic Tennis Event, falling to today's opponent in the title match, and a bronze in the doubles alongside Jamie Burdekin. He also won a silver medal in the doubles alongside Peter Norfolk at the London 2012 Paralympic Tennis Event.
- Laphorne has competed in a total of 7 **World Team Cup** quad or junior events for Great Britain, winning the quad title in 2009, 2014 and 2017. He has played a total of 29 ties in the competition and has a 38-11 overall win-loss record.
- Laphorne has **won 20 Tour-level singles titles**. Prior to his victories at the US Open and USTA Championships last year, he had not won a singles title since the 2018 Sardinia Open (ITA).
- Laphorne has also **won 36 doubles titles** – including 10 Grand Slam doubles titles. He has won 5 Australian Open doubles titles (alongside Norfolk in 2011-12, and Wagner in 2014-15 and 2017), 4 US Open titles (alongside Wagner in 2017-18 and Alcott 2019-20), and the doubles title at Wimbledon last year alongside Alcott.
- Laphorne is coached by Mike Price.