

## 2022 BILLIE JEAN KING CUP BY GAINBRIDGE FINALS

### 10 NOVEMBER – DAY THREE PREVIEW NOTES

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#### On court today:

- Italy will look to bounce back from a 3-0 defeat at the hands of Switzerland today when they face Canada on Court One this morning. Tathiana Garbin's team acquitted themselves well on Wednesday, with Elisabetta Cocciaretto impressing despite a 3-set defeat to Jil Teichmann – and, regardless of the outcome of the Finals this week, there is much to be optimistic about in Italian women's tennis at the moment. Having had to wait longer than most teams to enter the fray in Glasgow, Canada will be determined to make the rest of the field take notice today. The Canadians are one of 5 nations competing here not to have previously won the Billie Jean King Cup title – and with a strong squad having assembled in Scotland this week, they may feel that this is their moment to get their hands on the famous trophy.
- On Centre Court, Australia take on Belgium knowing that a victory will send them through to the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for a 3rd consecutive season. The Aussies were good value for their victory over Slovakia on Tuesday, with Storm Sanders and Ajla Tomljanovic both delivering singles triumphs. By contrast, Belgium slumped to defeat against Slovakia on Wednesday, but victory for Kirsten Flipkens and Elise Mertens in the doubles means that Johan van Herck's team retain a chance of reaching the semi-finals today. The 2 teams should be familiar with one another, having contested a group stage clash at last year's Finals in Prague – and, having won on that occasion, Australia will hope for a similar outcome this time round.
- Spain put in a hugely impressive display to defeat Kazakhstan 3-0 on Wednesday, and the team will look to consolidate that result with another victory again today when they take on Great Britain on Centre Court this evening. Paula Badosa was in particularly imperious form in their triumph last night, recording wins in both singles and doubles on her first Billie Jean King Cup appearances. The Brits fell to Kazakhstan on Tuesday but there were plenty of positives to take from the defeat, with Katie Boulter running Yulia Putintseva close and Alicia Barnett and Olivia Nicholls earning a doubles victory on their Billie Jean King Cup debuts. The hosts will need to put in a near-perfect performance if they are to progress to the semi-finals – but they will also know that they have nothing to lose.
- Czech Republic will be the last team to begin their Billie Jean King Cup campaign at this year's Finals, with the 11-times champions up against Poland on Court One. The Czechs were struck a late blow on Wednesday, with Barbora Krejčíková forced to withdraw due to a hand injury – but captain Petr Pala still has an accomplished team to choose from this week. Poland took USA to a deciding doubles match on Wednesday evening, and will know that a victory over the Czechs today will keep them in the hunt for a semi-final place.

## Group Stages

### Group A Table

Pos.	Nation	Points	Ties win-loss	Matches win-loss	Sets win-loss	Games win-loss
1.	Switzerland	1	1-0	3-0 (100%)	6-1 (86%)	43-30 (59%)
2.	Italy	0	0-1	0-3 (0%)	1-6 (14%)	30-43 (41%)
3.	Canada	0	0-0	0-0 (0%)	0-0 (0%)	0-0 (0%)

### Group B Table

Pos.	Nation	Points	Ties win-loss	Matches win-loss	Sets win-loss	Games win-loss
1.	Australia	1	1-0	2-1 (67%)	5-2 (71%)	33-19 (63%)
2.	Slovakia	1	1-1	3-3 (50%)	6-8 (43%)	52-65 (44%)
3.	Belgium	0	0-1	1-2 (33%)	3-4 (43%)	32-33 (49%)

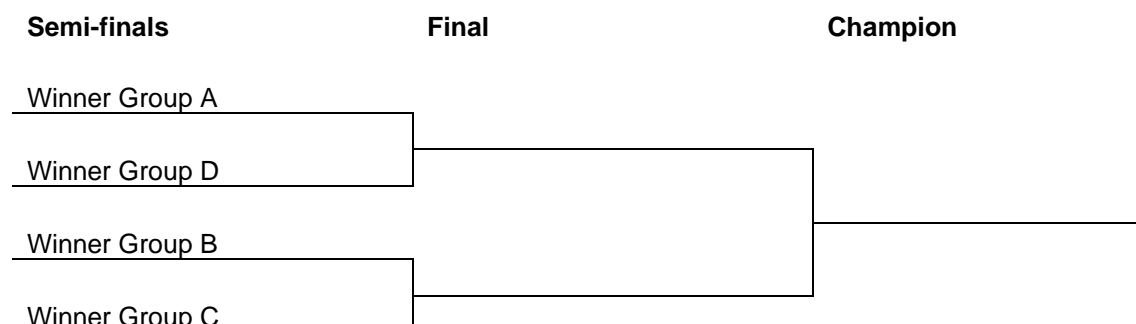
### Group C Table

Pos.	Nation	Points	Ties win-loss	Matches win-loss	Sets win-loss	Games win-loss
1.	Spain	1	1-0	3-0 (100%)	6-2 (75%)	42-34 (55%)
2.	Kazakhstan	1	1-1	2-4 (33%)	6-9 (40%)	68-71 (49%)
3.	Great Britain	0	0-1	1-2 (33%)	3-4 (43%)	29-34 (46%)

### Group D Table

Pos.	Nation	Points	Ties win-loss	Matches win-loss	Sets win-loss	Games win-loss
1.	USA	1	1-0	2-1 (67%)	5-3 (63%)	40-35 (53%)
2.	Poland	0	0-1	1-2 (33%)	3-5 (38%)	35-40 (47%)
3.	Czech Republic	0	0-0	0-0 (0%)	0-0 (0%)	0-0 (0%)

## Knockout Stages



## **Semi-final qualification scenarios:**

Please note: all group standings are provisional until officially confirmed by the tournament referee

### **Group B**

Australia:

- will advance to the semi-finals if they defeat Belgium
- might advance to the semi-finals if they lose to Belgium 2-1 (see below)
- will not advance to the semi-finals if they lose to Belgium 3-0

Belgium:

- will advance to the semi-finals if they defeat Australia 3-0
- might advance to the semi-finals if they defeat Australia 2-1 (see below)
- will not advance to the semi-finals if they lose to Australia

Slovakia:

- cannot advance to the semi-finals

If Belgium defeat Australia 2-1, all 3 teams in the group will have the same record in terms of tie win-loss (1-1) and match win-loss (3-3). In this instance, the group will be decided by best set win percentage. In the event that 2 teams have the same set win percentage, they will be separated based on the head-to-head record between those 2 teams. [NB Slovakia have a 43% set win percentage; Australia and Belgium are both guaranteed to have a superior set win percentage than Slovakia]

### **Group C**

Spain:

- will advance to the semi-finals if they defeat Great Britain
- will advance to the semi-finals if they lose to Great Britain 2-1
- will not advance to the semi-finals if they lose to Great Britain 3-0

Great Britain:

- will advance to the semi-finals if they defeat Spain 3-0
- will not advance to the semi-finals if they defeat Spain 2-1
- will not advance to the semi-finals if they lose to Spain

Kazakhstan:

- cannot advance to the semi-finals

## GROUP A – CANADA v ITALY

### COURT ONE – 1000 GMT

#### Head-to-head: Canada lead 2-1

1971	Consolation round	Grass (O)	Perth (AUS)	Canada d. Italy 2-1
1984	First round	Clay (O)	Sao Paulo (BRA)	Italy d. Canada 2-1
1995	World Group II first round	Clay (O)	Ancona (ITA)	Canada d. Italy 3-2

A 4th Billie Jean King Cup meeting for Canada and Italy – but their first in 27 years. On their last meeting, on Italian clay in Ancona in 1995, 2 singles wins for Patricia Hy-Boulais and a singles win for Rene Simpson-Alter ensured the Canadians won the tie after just 3 matches.

CANADA	v	ITALY
6	<b>BJK Cup Nations Ranking</b>	12
<b>Semi-finals 1988</b>	<b>Best BJK Cup Result</b>	<b>Champions 4 times</b>
1963	<b>First Year Played</b>	1963
58	<b>Seasons Played</b>	59
177	<b>Ties Played</b>	144
105-72	<b>Ties Win-Loss</b>	81-63

#### Canada – Team Information

- [CANADA](#) are bidding to reach the semi-finals for the 2nd time and equal their best Billie Jean King Cup result. They are making their 2nd appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.
- Canada **advanced to the Finals** after defeating Latvia 4-0 in the Qualifiers in Vancouver in April. Leylah Fernandez defeated both Daria Semenistaja and Daniela Vismane, dropping a total of just 6 games, while Rebecca Marino recorded a 3-set victory against Vismane.
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Canada fell to Switzerland 3-1 in the Qualifiers in Biel in February 2020, before defeating Serbia 4-0 in the Play-offs in Kraljevo in April 2021. As the highest-ranked winning nation in the Play-offs, the team were awarded a place in the 2021 Finals (replacing former host nation Hungary) – they finished in 2nd place in Group A at the Finals, defeating France 2-1 but falling to Russian Tennis Federation 3-0.
- Canada's **best Billie Jean King Cup result** is reaching the semi-finals in 1988, when they fell to Czechoslovakia on neutral ground in Melbourne.
- Canada rose to No. 6 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking** after defeating Latvia in the Qualifiers this year – their highest-ever position on the rankings. Their highest ranking prior to this year was No. 8, which they held between April 2014 and February 2015.
- **Captain Sylvain Bruneau** is temporarily replacing Heidi el Tabakh this week, who misses the Finals due to personal reasons. He previously captained the team between 2010 and 2018 before also replacing El Tabakh as a temporary captain at the Finals last year. He has a 17-10 tie win-loss record as captain. He never competed for Canada in Davis Cup.

#### Canada – Historical Information

##### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by a Canadian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Aleksandra Wozniak	40-12
2.	Sonya Jeyaseelan	29-7
3.	Marie-Eve Pelletier	25-15
4.	Sharon Fichman	24-10
5.	Stephanie Dubois	23-10

**Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by a Canadian player**

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Aleksandra Wozniak	32-11
2.	Jana Nejedly	19-5
3=	Eugenie Bouchard	12-4
	Stephanie Dubois	12-8
	Sonya Jeyaseelan	12-5

**Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by a Canadian player**

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Sonya Jeyaseelan	17-2
2.	Marie-Eve Pelletier	16-6
3.	Sharon Fichman	15-7
4.	Jill Hetherington	13-15
5.	Stephanie Dubois	11-2

**Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a Canadian player**

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	Aleksandra Wozniak	36
2=	Jill Hetherington	30
	Marie-Eve Pelletier	30
4.	Sharon Fichman	28
5=	Rene Collins	24
	Sonya Jeyaseelan	24

**Canada – Player Information**

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Leylah Fernandez	2019	2	4	5-2	0-0
Bianca Andreescu	2017	3	8	7-3	3-0
Rebecca Marino	2011	4	8	4-6	3-2
Carol Zhao	2016	4	5	0-2	3-1
Gabriela Dabrowski	2013	9	17	0-5	9-7

• **LEYLAH FERNANDEZ**

- **Age:** 20 (born 6 September 2002 in Montreal, Canada)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 40 (singles), 76 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** Won Monterrey; QF Roland Garros
- **2022 doubles highlights:** SF Indian Wells
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Fernandez is bidding to extend her 5-match Billie Jean King Cup winning streak. She lost the first 2 matches she contested in the competition – falling to Czech Republic's Marketa Vondrousova in 2019 and to Switzerland's Jil Teichmann in 2020 – but has won all 5 Billie Jean King Cup matches she has played since then. She defeated both Darja Semenistaja and Daniela Vismane in Canada's victory over Latvia in the Qualifiers this year.

• **BIANCA ANDREESCU**

- **Age:** 22 (born 16 June 2000 in Mississauga, Canada)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 45 (singles), 380 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** RU Bad Homburg; QF Rome
- **2022 doubles highlights:** SF Berlin
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Andreescu returns to the Canadian Billie Jean King Cup team for the first time since 2019, when she won both matches she contested during Canada's World Group II victory against Netherlands. She has won 10 of the 13 matches she has contested since making her Billie Jean King Cup debut in 2017.

- **REBECCA MARINO**
  - **Age:** 31 (born 16 December 1990 in Toronto, Canada)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 64 (singles), 357 (doubles)
  - **2022 singles highlights:** QF Washington, Granby, Chennai
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** SF Granby
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Marino made her Billie Jean King Cup debut in 2011, but did not compete again until the 2019 season. She won just one of the 4 matches she played at the 2021 Finals – when she and Dabrowski defeated France's Clara Burel/Alize Cornet in a decisive doubles match – but defeated Vismene in 3 sets during Canada's victory against Latvia in the Qualifiers this year.
- **CAROL ZHAO**
  - **Age:** 27 (born 20 June 1995 in Chongqing, China, P.R.)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 163 (singles), 564 (doubles)
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Zhao has lost the only 2 singles matches she has contested in the competition, falling to Romania's Sorana Cirstea in the 2018 World Group II first round and to Russian Tennis Federation's Daria Kasatkina at the 2021 Finals. She and Dabrowski won a dead doubles match against Semenistaja/Vismene during Canada's victory against Latvia in the Qualifiers this year. She was a member of the Canadian team which finished as runners-up at the 2011 Junior Billie Jean King Cup, falling to an Australian team led by Ashleigh Barty.
- **GABRIELA DABROWSKI**
  - **Age:** 30 (born 1 April 1992 in Ottawa, Canada)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 1012 (singles), 7 (doubles)
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Madrid, Chennai, Tokyo; RU Rome, San Diego; SF Indian Wells, Berlin, San Jose, Toronto; QF US Open
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Dabrowski ended a 3-match Billie Jean King Cup losing streak at the 2021 Finals when she and Marino defeated France's Burel/Cornet in a decisive doubles match. She had previously not won a match in the competition since she and Marino defeated Demi Schuurs/Bibiane Schoofs during Canada's victory over Netherlands in the 2019 World Group II first round. She has lost all 5 singles matches she has contested in the competition but has a 9-7 win-loss record in doubles, and a 3-1 win-loss record in decisive doubles matches.

## Italy – Team Information

- **ITALY** are bidding to reach the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for the first time since 2014. They are making their first appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals this year.
- Italy **advanced to the Finals** after defeating France 3-1 in the Qualifiers in Alghero in April. Jasmine Paolini defeated Alize Cornet in 3 sets before Camila Giorgi recorded straight sets victories against both Harmony Tan and Oceane Dodin
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Italy won promotion at the Europe/Africa Group I event in Tallinn in February 2020 after recording victories against Austria, Estonia, Greece and Croatia. They subsequently recorded a 3-1 victory over Romania in the Play-offs in Cluj-Napoca in April 2021.
- Italy's defeat to Switzerland on Wednesday ended a **6-tie Billie Jean King Cup winning streak**. The team had not previously lost in the competition since falling to Russia in the 2019 World Group II play-offs.
- Italy are **4-time Billie Jean King Cup champions** – winning the title in 2006 (d. Belgium), 2009 (d. USA), 2010 (d. USA) and 2013 (d. Russia). They are bidding to become the 5th nation to win the title on 5 or more occasions this season – after USA (18 titles), Czech Republic (11), Australia (7) and Spain (5).
- Italy are one of only four nations to have **competed in every Billie Jean King Cup season** – alongside Australia, France and Great Britain.

- Italy are ranked No. 12 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking**. They have held the No. 1 ranking for 2 separate spells – from November 2009 to April 2012 and again from November 2013 to April 2014.
- Captain Tathiana Garbin** has led the team since 2017 and has an 8-5 tie win-loss record as captain. She competed in Billie Jean King Cup as a player between 1999 and 2008 and had a 6-7 overall match win-loss record.

## Italy – Historical Information

### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by an Italian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Francesca Schiavone	27-22
2.	Sara Errani	26-21
3.	Flavia Pennetta	25-5
4=	Silvia Farina Elia	23-11
	Roberta Vinci	23-8

### Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by an Italian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Francesca Schiavone	23-21
2=	Silvia Farina Elia	21-8
	Flavia Pennetta	21-4
4.	Sara Errani	16-16
5.	Raffaella Reggi-Concato	14-6

### Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by an Italian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Roberta Vinci	18-1
2.	Sara Errani	10-5
3=	Giulia Casoni	7-1
	Lea Percoli	7-7
5=	Laura Golarsa	6-4
	Patrizia Murgo	6-2
	Sabina Simmonds	6-6

### Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by an Italian player

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	Sandra Cecchini	25
2=	Sara Errani	24
	Francesca Schiavone	24
	Roberta Vinci	24
5=	Silvia Farina Elia	21
	Raffaella Reggi-Concato	21

## Italy – Player Information

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Martina Trevisan	2017	4	9	2-2	4-2
Lucia Bronzetti	2022	1	1	0-0	0-1
Jasmine Paolini	2017	5	11	3-5	2-5
Elisabetta Cocciaretto	2018	3	6	5-1	1-1



- **MARTINA TREVISAN**

- **Age:** 29 (born 3 November 1993 in Florence, Italy)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 28 (singles), 244 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** Won Rabat; SF Roland Garros; QF Budapest
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Trevisan has won 2 of the 4 Billie Jean King Cup singles matches she has contested, defeating Chinese Taipei's Lee Ya-Hsuan in the 2017 World Group II play-offs and Romania's Mihaela Buzarnescu in the 2021 Play-offs, but falling to both Anastasia Potapova and Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova in Italy's 2019 World Group II play-off defeat to Russia. She and Paolini fell to Belinda Bencic/Jil Teichmann during Italy's defeat to Switzerland on Wednesday.

- **LUCIA BRONZETTI**

- **Age:** 23 (born 10 December 1998 in Rimini, Italy)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 56 (singles), 585 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** RU Palermo; SF Rabat
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Bronzetti made her Billie Jean King Cup debut during Italy's victory over France in the Qualifiers this year. She and Trevisan fell to Dodin/Mladenovic in a dead doubles match.

- **JASMINE PAOLINI**

- **Age:** 26 (born 4 January 1996 in Castelnuovo di Garfagnana, Italy)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 59 (singles), 141 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** RU Cluj-Napoca; SF Palermo, Warsaw; QF Lyon, Portoroz, Parma
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Paolini made her Billie Jean King Cup debut in 2017 and has a 5-10 overall win-loss record in the competition. She lost both matches she contested during Italy's defeat to Switzerland on Wednesday, falling to Bencic in singles and to Bencic/Teichmann in doubles alongside Trevisan. She defeated Alize Cornet in a final-set tiebreak during Italy's victory over France in the Qualifiers this year.

- **ELISABETTA COCCIARETTO**

- **Age:** 21 (born 25 January 2001 in Ancona, Italy)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 65 (singles), 397 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** QF Budapest
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Cocciaretto had won all 5 Billie Jean King Cup singles matches she had contested prior to this year's Finals – winning all 3 matches she played at the 2020 Europe/Africa Group I event in Tallinn, before defeating both Irina Maria Bara and Buzarnescu during Italy's victory over Romania in the 2021 Play-offs. She lost her perfect singles record in the competition during Italy's defeat to Switzerland on Wednesday, falling to Teichmann in 3 sets. She was nominated for Italy's victory over France in the Qualifiers this year but did not contest a match.



## GROUP B – AUSTRALIA v BELGIUM

### CENTRE COURT – 1000 GMT

#### Head-to-head: Australia leads 6-3

1963	First round	Grass (O)	London (GBR)	Australia d. Belgium 3-0
1975	Second round	Clay (O)	Aix-en-Provence (FRA)	Australia d. Belgium 2-0
1976	Second round	Carpet (I)	Philadelphia (USA)	Australia d. Belgium 3-0
1978	First round	Grass (O)	Melbourne (AUS)	Australia d. Belgium 3-0
1984	Second round	Clay (O)	Sao Paulo (BRA)	Australia d. Belgium 3-0
2000	Finals Group C	Carpet (I)	Moscow (RUS)	Belgium d. Australia 2-1
2001	Finals Group B	Clay (I)	Madrid (ESP)	Belgium d. Australia 3-0
2002	World Group first round	Clay (I)	Brussels (BEL)	Belgium d. Australia 3-1
2021	Finals Group B	Hard (I)	Prague (CZE)	Australia d. Belgium 2-1

A 10th Billie Jean King Cup meeting for Australia and Belgium – and their 2nd at the Finals in consecutive years, with the teams having also met in a group stage tie in Prague in 2021. Australia recorded a 2-1 victory on that occasion, ending a 3-tie losing streak against the Belgians. Australia v Belgium was a first round tie at the first-ever Billie Jean King Cup (then-called the Federation Cup), with Australia recording a 3-0 victory over Belgium at Queen's Club in London in 1963.

AUSTRALIA	v	BELGIUM
1	BJK Cup Nations Ranking	14
Champions 7 times	Best BJK Cup Result	Champions 2001
1963	First Year Played	1963
59	Seasons Played	57
187	Ties Played	157
133-54	Ties Win-Loss	82-75

#### Australia – Team Information

- [AUSTRALIA](#) are bidding to reach the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for the 3rd straight season. They are making their 2nd appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Australia reached the semi-finals. As runners-up in 2019, the team qualified automatically for the 2021 Finals. They advanced to the semi-finals after recording 2-1 victories against Belgium and Belarus before falling to Switzerland 2-0 in the last 4. As 2021 semi-finalists (and due to the suspension of the Russian and Belarusian teams this year) they qualified automatically for the Finals this year.
- Australia are bidding to win their **7th Billie Jean King Cup title**. They won the title in 1964-65, 1968, 1970-71 and 1973-74, and are 3rd on the all-time list of Billie Jean King Cup champions behind USA (18) and Czech Republic (11).
- In 2019, Australia **reached the Billie Jean King Cup final for the first time since 1993**. The team defeated USA and Belarus before falling to France 3-2 in the final in Perth. Since winning the title for the 7th time in 1974, they have lost all 9 Finals they have contested.
- Australia are one of only four nations to have **competed in every Billie Jean King Cup season** – alongside France, Great Britain and Italy.
- Australia are ranked No. 1 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking**. They rose to No. 1 for the first time after reaching the semi-finals last year and have remained in top spot since then.
- **Captain Alicia Molik** has led the team since 2013 and has an 11-8 tie win-loss record as captain. She competed in Billie Jean King Cup as a player between 1999 and 2010 and had an 18-21 overall match win-loss record.

## Australia – Historical Information

### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by an Australian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Wendy Turnbull	46-16
2=	Kerry Reid <b>Samantha Stosur</b>	37-10 <b>37-20</b>
4=	Dianne Balestrat Margaret Court Evonne Goolagong Cawley	35-11 35-5 35-5

### Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by an Australian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	<b>Samantha Stosur</b>	<b>29-20</b>
2.	Dianne Balestrat	24-9
3.	Evonne Goolagong Cawley	22-3
4=	Margaret Court Kerry Reid	20-0 20-4

### Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by an Australian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Wendy Turnbull	29-8
2.	Rennae Stubbs	28-10
3=	Kerry Reid Liz Smylie	17-6 17-5
5.	Margaret Court	15-5

### Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by an Australian player

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	Wendy Turnbull	45
2.	Rennae Stubbs	40
3.	Dianne Balestrat	37
4.	<b>Samantha Stosur</b>	<b>32</b>
5.	Liz Smylie	31

## Australia – Player Information

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Ajla Tomljanovic*	2019 (2010)	3 (2)	4 (8)	3-2 (3-3)	0-0 (1-4)
Priscilla Hon	2019	1	1	0-0	1-0
Storm Sanders	2021	2	4	3-1	0-2
Ellen Perez	2021	2	3	0-0	0-3
Samantha Stosur	2003	15	32	29-20	8-1

\*Tomljanovic made her debut for Australia during the 2019 final. She played in 2 Billie Jean King Cup Europe/Africa Group I events for Croatia at the age of 16-17 in 2010-11 – figures in brackets represent her Billie Jean King Cup record for Croatia.

### • [AJLA TOMLJANOVIC](#)

- **Age:** 29 (born 7 May 1993 in Zagreb, Croatia)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 33 (singles), 136 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** QF Istanbul, Rabat, Nottingham, Wimbledon, Cincinnati, US Open
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Tomljanovic made her Billie Jean King Cup debut for Australia during the 2019 final, when she won one of the 2 matches she contested, falling to Kristina Mladenovic but defeating Pauline Parmentier. She also won one of the 2 matches she contested at the 2021 Finals and won her first match at this year's Finals on Tuesday, defeating Anna Karolina Schmiedlova during Australia's victory over Slovakia. She contested 2 Europe/Africa Group I events for Croatia at the age of 16-17 in 2010-11, winning 4 of the 8 matches she played.

- **PRISCILLA HON**
  - **Age:** 24 (born 10 May 1998 in Brisbane, Australia)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 151 (singles), 340 (doubles)
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Hon could make her 2nd Billie Jean King Cup appearance this week. Her only previous appearance in the competition came during Australia's 2019 World Group first round victory against USA, when she and Ashleigh Barty defeated Danielle Collins/Nicole Melichar in a decisive doubles match.
- **STORM SANDERS**
  - **Age:** 28 (born 11 August 1994 in Rockhampton, Australia)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 237 (singles), 10 (doubles)
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Adelaide, Berlin, Guadalajara 1000; SF Madrid, US Open; QF Australian Open
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Sanders made her Billie Jean King Cup debut at the 2021 Finals, winning 2 of the 3 singles matches she contested – and won her 3rd singles match in the competition during Australia's victory over Slovakia on Tuesday, defeating Viktoria Kuzmova in straight sets. She has lost both doubles matches she has played in the competition, including her defeat alongside Perez to Kuzmova/Tereza Mihalikova on Tuesday.
- **ELLEN PEREZ**
  - **Age:** 27 (born 10 October 1995 in Shellharbour, Australia)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 363 (singles), 20 (doubles)
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** Won 's-Hertogenbosch, Cleveland; RU Toronto, Cincinnati, Tokyo; SF US Open, San Diego; QF Wimbledon
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Perez made her Billie Jean King Cup debut at the 2021 Finals, losing the 2 dead doubles matches she contested – falling to Belgium's Mertens/Greet Minnen alongside Sanders and to Belarus' Lidziya Marozava/Sasnovich alongside Olivia Gadecki. She and Sanders also lost their opening match together at this year's Finals, falling to Kuzmova/Mihalikova during Australia's victory over Slovakia on Tuesday.
- **SAMANTHA STOSUR**
  - **Age:** 38 (born 30 March 1984 in Brisbane, Australia)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 539 (singles), 113 (doubles)
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** SF Melbourne 2, Birmingham
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Stosur holds the record for most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by an Australian player. She will also claim sole ownership of 2nd place on the list for most total Billie Jean King Cup match-wins, ahead of Kerry Reid, if she wins a match this week. Her last appearance in the competition came during the 2019 final, when she and Barty fell to France's Caroline Garcia/Kristina Mladenovic in the decisive doubles match.

## Belgium – Team Information

- **BELGIUM** are bidding to reach the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for the first time since 2013. They are making their 2nd appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.
- Belgium **advanced to the Finals** are defeating Belarus by walkover in the 2022 Qualifiers, following the suspension of Belarus from all international team competitions.
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Slovakia defeated Kazakhstan 3-1 in the 2020 Qualifiers to advance to the Finals. They won one of the 2 ties they contested at the 2021 Finals – they defeated Belarus 2-1 before falling to Australia 2-1 and did not advance to the semi-finals.
- Belgium were crowned **Billie Jean King Cup champions in 2001**, defeating Russia 2-1 in the final after comprehensive singles wins for Justine Henin and Kim Clijsters. They finished runner-up in their only other appearance in the final in 2006, falling to Italy 3-2 in the decisive doubles match. They are bidding to become the 9th team to win the Billie Jean King Cup title on multiple occasions.

- Belgium are ranked No. 14 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking**. They reached their highest ranking of No. 2 in July 2003.
- **Captain Johan van Herck** has led the team since 2019 and has a 2-4 tie win-loss record as captain. He has captained the Belgian Davis Cup team since 2011 and has a 16-12 tie win-loss record as Davis Cup captain. He competed for Belgium in Davis Cup between 1995 and 1999 and had a 7-5 overall match win-loss record.

## Belgium – Historical Information

### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by a Belgian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Sabine Appelmans	32-22
2=	Els Callens	26-13
	Yanina Wickmayer	26-13
4=	Kim Clijsters	24-4
	Michele Gurdal	24-25

### Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by a Belgian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Sabine Appelmans	25-13
2.	Yanina Wickmayer	23-9
3.	Kim Clijsters	21-3
4.	Dominique Monami	17-7
5.	Justine Henin	15-2

### Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by a Belgian player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Els Callens	17-6
2.	Monique van Haver	12-10
3=	Laurence Courtois	11-7
	Michele Gurdal	11-10
5.	Nancy Feber	9-1

### Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a Belgian player

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	Sabine Appelmans	33
2.	<b>Kirsten Flipkens</b>	<b>31</b>
3.	Monique van Haver	30
4=	Els Callens	28
	Michele Gurdal	28

## Belgium – Player Information

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Elise Mertens	2017	5	9	9-4	4-2
Alison van Uytvanck	2012	8	20	12-7	3-5
Maryna Zanevska	2017	2	3	0-2	0-1
Ysaline Bonaventure	2012	7	13	5-2	4-5
Kirsten Flipkens	2003	18	31	14-20	4-12

- **ELISE MERTENS**

- **Age:** 26 (born 17 November 1995 in Leuven, Belgium)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 29 (singles), 5 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** Won Monastir; QF St Petersburg, Strasbourg; R16 Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon
- **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Dubai, WTA Finals; RU Doha, Miami, 's-Hertogenbosch, Birmingham, Wimbledon; SF Australian Open, Strasbourg, Washington, Cincinnati, Tokyo
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Mertens won 3 of the 4 Billie Jean King Cup singles matches she contested during the 2020-21 season. She defeated both Zarina Diyas and Yulia Putintseva during Belgium's victory over Kazakhstan in the 2020 Qualifiers, and won one of the 2 singles matches she contested at the 2021 Finals, defeating Belarus' Aliaksandra Sasnovich but falling to Australia's Storm Sanders. She did not compete in singles during Belgium's defeat to Slovakia on Wednesday, but won the doubles match alongside Kirsten Flipkens, defeating Viktoria Kuzmova/Tereza Mihalikova in straight sets.

- **ALISON VAN UYTVANCK**

- **Age:** 28 (born 26 March 1994 in Vilvoorde, Belgium)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 54 (singles), 183 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** QF Lyon, 's-Hertogenbosch
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Van Uytvanck returns to the Belgian team for the first time since 2019 and will contest her 20th Billie Jean King Cup singles match this week if she plays a singles match. She lost her 2 most-recent matches in the competition – falling to France's Caroline Garcia in the 2019 World Group first round and to Spain's Carla Suarez Navarro in the 2019 World Group play-offs.

- **MARYNA ZANEVSKA**

- **Age:** 29 (born 24 August 1993 in Odessa, Ukraine)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 81 (singles), 177 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** SF Hamburg; QF Strasbourg, Parma
- **2022 doubles highlights:** QF Roland Garros
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Zanevska made her first Billie Jean King Cup appearance since 2017 during Belgium's defeat to Slovakia on Wednesday, falling to Anna Karolina in 3 sets. She lost the other 2 Billie Jean King Cup matches she has contested – she and Flipkens fell to Romania's Sorana Cirstea/Monica Niculescu in a dead doubles match in the 2017 World Group II first round, and she fell to Daria Kasatkina in singles during Belgium's 2017 World Group play-off victory against Russia.

- **YSALINE BONAVENTURE**

- **Age:** 28 (born 29 August 1994 in Rocourt, Belgium)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 96 (singles), 299 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** QF Tallinn
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Bonaventure lost her perfect record in Billie Jean King Cup singles matches during Belgium's victory over Kazakhstan in the 2020 Qualifiers, falling to Yulia Putintseva in the 2nd match of the tie. She succumbed to her 2nd singles defeat in the competition during Belgium's defeat to Slovakia on Wednesday, falling to Kuzmova in straight sets. She has won the other 5 singles matches she has contested in the competition and was nominated for the 2021 Finals, but did not contest a match.

- **KIRSTEN FLIPKENS**

- **Age:** 36 (born 10 January 1986 in Geel, Belgium)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 241 (singles), 30 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** QF 's-Hertogenbosch
- **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Cluj-Napoca; SF Ostrava; QF Australian Open, US Open
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Flipkens claimed sole ownership of 2nd place on the list for most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a Belgian player, ahead of Monique van Haver, by contesting her 31st tie in the competition during Belgium's defeat to Slovakia on Tuesday. She and Mertens defeated Kuzmova/Mihalikova in straight sets in the doubles match. Sabine Appelmans (33 Billie Jean King Cup ties) is the only Belgian player to have contested more ties in the competition than Flipkens.



## GROUP C – SPAIN v GREAT BRITAIN

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#### Head-to-head: Great Britain lead 2-1

1975	Second round	Clay (O)	Aix-en-Provence (FRA)	Great Britain d. Spain 2-0
1978	Second round	Grass (O)	Melbourne (AUS)	Great Britain d. Spain 3-0
1993	First round	Clay (O)	Frankfurt (GER)	Spain d. Great Britain 3-0

A 4th Billie Jean King Cup meeting for Spain and Great Britain – but their first in nearly 30 years. The teams met twice in the 1970s, with Great Britain winning on both occasions, but Spain won their most-recent encounter, a 3-0 triumph in the first round during their title-winning season in 1993.

SPAIN	v	GREAT BRITAIN
3		17
Champions 5 times	BJK Cup Nations Ranking	Runners-up 4 times
1972	Best BJK Cup Result	1963
50	First Year Played	59
139	Seasons Played	214
85-54	Ties Played	138-76
	Ties Win-Loss	

#### Spain – Team Information

- [SPAIN](#) are bidding to reach the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for the first time since 2008. They are making their 2nd appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.
- Spain **advanced to the Finals** after defeating Netherlands 4-0 in the Qualifiers in 's-Hertogenbosch in April. Nuria Parrizas-Diaz defeated Arantxa Rus in the first match of the tie before Sara Sorribes Tormo won both singles matches she contested to secure Spain's place in the Finals.
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Spain qualified for the Finals after defeating Japan 3-1 in the Qualifiers in Cartagena in February 2020. At the Finals, the team defeated Slovakia 2-1 but fell to USA 2-1 and finished in 3rd place in Group C.
- Spain have **won 7 of their last 8 Billie Jean King Cup ties** – including their victory against Kazakhstan on Wednesday. Their defeat to USA at the 2021 Finals had ended a 5-tie winning streak in the competition. The team had previously not lost a Billie Jean King Cup tie since falling to Italy in the 2018 World Group II first round in Chieti.
- Spain are bidding to **win the Billie Jean King Cup title for the 6th time**. The team won the title in 1991, 1993-1995 and 1998 and are 4th on the list for most Billie Jean King Cup titles – behind USA (18), Czech Republic (11) and Australia (7).
- Spain's Arantxa Sanchez Vicario and Conchita Martinez, who combined to lead Spain to 10 finals, head the **all-time Billie Jean King Cup lists for total wins and total singles wins** as well as recording the most wins as a doubles pair. Sanchez Vicario recorded 72 total wins and 50 singles wins, while Martinez recorded 68 total wins and 47 singles wins. The pair won 18 Billie Jean King Cup doubles matches together.
- Spain are ranked No. 3 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking** – one place lower than their highest position of No. 2, which they held from November 2002 to April 2003 and again in July 2004.
- **Captain Anabel Medina Garrigues** has led the team since 2018 and has a 7-2 tie win-loss record as captain. She competed in Billie Jean King Cup as a player between 2003 and 2016 and had an 18-16 overall match win-loss record.

## Spain – Historical Information

### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by a Spanish player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Arantxa Sanchez Vicario	72-28
2.	Conchita Martinez	68-23
3=	Carmen Perea-Alcala	19-24
	Carla Suarez Navarro	19-12
5.	Anabel Medina Garrigues	18-16

### Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by a Spanish player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Arantxa Sanchez Vicario	50-22
2.	Conchita Martinez	47-18
3.	Carla Suarez Navarro	17-9
4.	Carmen Perea-Alcala	13-16
5.	Anabel Medina Garrigues	10-13

### Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by a Spanish player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Arantxa Sanchez Vicario	22-6
2.	Conchita Martinez	21-5
3.	Virginia Ruano Pascual	15-13
4=	Nuria Llagostera Vives	8-4
	Anabel Medina Garrigues	8-3

### Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a Spanish player

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	Arantxa Sanchez Vicario	58
2.	Conchita Martinez	53
3=	Carmen Perea-Alcala	29
	Virginia Ruano Pascual	29
5.	Anabel Medina Garrigues	21

## Spain – Player Information

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Paula Badosa	2022	1	1	1-0	1-0
Nuria Parrizas-Diaz	2021	2	3	2-1	0-0
Cristina Bucsa	2022	0	0	0-0	0-0
Rebeka Masarova	2021	2	2	0-0	2-0
Aliona Bolsova	2015	3	5	0-0	4-1

### • [PAULA BADOSA](#)

- **Age:** 24 (born 15 November 1997 in New York, NY, USA)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 13 (singles), 190 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** Won Sydney; SF Indian Wells, Stuttgart, San Jose; QF Miami, Charleston, San Diego; R16 Australian Open, Wimbledon
- **2022 doubles highlights:** SF Adelaide
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Badosa made her Billie Jean King Cup debut this week during Spain's victory over Kazakhstan on Wednesday, defeating Elena Rybakina in singles and partnering Bolsova in a doubles win against Anna Danilina/Yulia Putintseva. She was nominated for the Spanish team for the 2021 Finals but withdrew prior to the event.



- **NURIA PARRIZAS-DIAZ**
  - **Age:** 31 (born 15 July 1991 in Granada, Spain)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 72 (singles), 335 (doubles)
  - **2022 singles highlights:** SF Monterrey; QF Melbourne 2, Rabat, Palermo, Granby, Cluj-Napoca
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** SF Parma
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Parrizas-Diaz made her Billie Jean King Cup debut at the 2021 Finals, falling to USA's Sloane Stephens in straight sets in the only match she contested. She won her first match in the competition during Spain's victory over Netherlands in the Qualifiers this year – defeating Arantxa Rus in the opening match of the tie – and recorded a 2nd Billie Jean King Cup match-win during Spain's victory over Kazakhstan on Wednesday, defeating Putintseva in 3 sets.
- **CRISTINA BUCSA**
  - **Age:** 24 (born 1 January 1998 in Chisinau, Moldova)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 107 (singles), 151 (doubles)
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** RU Portoroz; SF Stuttgart
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Bucsa could make her Billie Jean King Cup debut this week, having been nominated for the first time.
- **REBEKA MASAROVA**
  - **Age:** 23 (born 6 August 1999 in Basel, Switzerland)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 132 (singles), 189 (doubles)
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Masarova made her Billie Jean King Cup debut at the 2021 Finals, when she and Bolsova defeated Caroline Dolehide/CoCo Vandeweghe during Spain's defeat to USA. The pair also contested a dead doubles match during Spain's victory over Netherlands in the Qualifiers this year, defeating Arianne Hartono/Demi Schuurs. She represented Switzerland as a junior before switching her nationality to Spain in 2018.
- **ALIONA BOLSOVA**
  - **Age:** 25 (born 6 November 1997 in Chisinau, Moldova)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 193 (singles), 58 (doubles)
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Bolsova has won 4 of the 5 Billie Jean King Cup matches she has contested, including her win alongside Badosa against Kazakhstan's Danilina/Putintseva on Wednesday. Her only defeat in the competition came alongside Lara Arruabarrena during Spain's victory over Japan in the 2020 Qualifiers. She has never contested a Billie Jean King Cup singles match.

## Great Britain – Team Information

- **GREAT BRITAIN** are bidding to reach the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for the first time since 1981. They are making their first appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.
- Great Britain were **awarded a wild card for the 2022 Finals**. They competed in the Qualifiers in April, falling to Czech Republic 3-2 in Prague, with Harriet Dart/Katie Swan falling to Karolina Muchova/Marketa Vondrousova in a decisive doubles match.
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Great Britain fell to Slovakia 3-1 in the Qualifiers in Bratislava in February 2020, before defeating Mexico 3-1 in the Play-offs in London in April 2021.
- Great Britain's best **Billie Jean King Cup result** is reaching the final on 4 occasions – in 1967 (l. USA), 1971 (l. Australia), 1972 (l. South Africa) and 1981 (l. USA).
- Great Britain are one of only four nations to have **competed in every Billie Jean King Cup season** – alongside Australia, France and Italy.
- Great Britain are ranked at No. 17 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking** – 6 places lower than their highest position of No. 11, which they reached in April 2019.
- **Captain Anne Keothavong** has led the team since 2017 and has a 13-5 tie win-loss record as captain. She competed in Billie Jean King Cup as a player and had a 22-22 overall match win-loss record.

## Great Britain – Historical Information

### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by a British player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Virginia Wade	66-33
2=	Jo Durie	34-22
	Clare Wood	34-18
4.	Elena Baltacha	33-16
5.	Sue Barker	31-13

### Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by a British player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Virginia Wade	36-20
2.	<b>Heather Watson</b>	<b>22-11</b>
3.	Anne Keothavong	21-19
4.	Elena Baltacha	19-9
5=	Johanna Konta	18-7
	Clare Wood	18-10

### Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by a British player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Virginia Wade	30-13
2.	Jo Durie	22-6
3.	Anne Hobbs	17-7
4=	Sue Barker	16-5
	Clare Wood	16-8

### Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a British player

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	Virginia Wade	57
2=	Elena Baltacha	39
	Anne Keothavong	39
4.	Jo Durie	37
5.	Clare Wood	36

## Great Britain – Player Information

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Harriet Dart	2019	3	5	1-4	2-1
Katie Boulter	2018	4	9	7-1	2-0
Heather Watson	2011	9	33	22-11	8-3
Alicia Barnett	2022	1	1	0-0	1-0
Olivia Nicholls	2022	1	1	0-0	1-0

### • [HARRIET DART](#)

- **Age:** 26 (born 28 July 1996 in London, Great Britain)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 98 (singles), 120 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** QF Nottingham, Eastbourne
- **2022 doubles highlights:** RU Granby; SF Portoroz
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Dart recorded her first Billie Jean King Cup singles match-win during Great Britain's defeat to Czech Republic in the Qualifiers this year – she fell to Marketa Vondrousova in the opening match of the tie before defeating Linda Fruhvirtova in the 4th match. She and Katie Swan fell to Karolina Muchova/Vondrousova in the decisive doubles match. She lost her opening match at this year's Finals, falling to Elena Rybakina in straight sets during Great Britain's defeat to Kazakhstan on Tuesday.

- **KATIE BOULTER**
  - **Age:** 26 (born 1 August 1996 in Leicester, Great Britain)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 124 (singles), unranked (doubles)
  - **2022 singles highlights:** QF Birmingham
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Boulter has won 9 of the 11 Billie Jean King Cup matches she has contested, with both of her defeats in the competition coming against Yulia Putintseva – once during Great Britain's 2019 World Group II play-off victory against Kazakhstan and again during Great Britain's defeat to Kazakhstan on Tuesday. She won both matches she contested on her most-recent appearance in the competition prior to this week, defeating both Marcela Zacarias and Giuliana Olmos during Great Britain's victory against Mexico in the 2021 Play-offs.
- **HEATHER WATSON**
  - **Age:** 30 (born 19 May 1992 in Guernsey, Great Britain)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 133 (singles), 115 (doubles)
  - **2022 singles highlights:** R16 Wimbledon
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Watson will equal Sue Barker in 5th place on the list for most Billie Jean King Cup matches won by a British player if she wins one match this week, and claim sole ownership of 5th place if she wins 2 matches. She is in 2nd place on the list for most singles matches won by a British player in the competition, behind Virginia Wade, and is one of just 6 British players to have contested more than 30 Billie Jean King Cup ties.
- **ALICIA BARNETT**
  - **Age:** 29 (born 18 October 1993 in Gloucestershire, Great Britain)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 817 (singles), 60 (doubles)
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Granby; RU Lyon; SF Istanbul
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Barnett made her Billie Jean King Cup debut during Great Britain's defeat to Kazakhstan on Tuesday. She and Nicholls defeated Anna Danilina/Rybakina in straight sets.
- **OLIVIA NICHOLLS**
  - **Age:** 28 (born 26 October 1994 in Norwich, Great Britain)
  - **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** unranked (singles), 63 (doubles)
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Granby; RU Lyon; SF Istanbul
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Nicholls made her Billie Jean King Cup debut during Great Britain's defeat to Kazakhstan on Tuesday. She and Barnett defeated Danilina/Rybakina in straight sets.

## GROUP D – CZECH REPUBLIC v POLAND

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#### Head-to-head: Czech Republic lead 2-0

1966	Second round	Clay (O)	Turin (ITA)	Czechoslovakia d. Poland 3-0
1995	Europe/Africa Group I	Clay (O)	Murcia (ESP)	Czech Republic d. Poland 3-0

A 3rd Billie Jean King Cup meeting for the Czechs and the Poles – and their first since they met at the Europe/Africa Group I event in 1995. The Czechs won 3-0 on that occasion – and won by the same scoreline on their only other meeting in the competition, in 1966.

CZECH REPUBLIC	v	POLAND
<b>4</b>	<b>BJK Cup Nations Ranking</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Champions 11 times</b>	<b>Best BJK Cup Result</b>	<b>Quarter-finals 2 times</b>
<b>1963*</b>	<b>First Year Played</b>	<b>1966</b>
<b>50*</b>	<b>Seasons Played</b>	<b>40</b>
<b>145</b>	<b>Ties Played</b>	<b>129</b>
<b>107-38</b>	<b>Ties Win-Loss</b>	<b>70-59</b>

\*Czech players represented Czechoslovakia until 1992  
Czech Republic takes Czechoslovakia's historical record

#### Czech Republic – Team Information

- **CZECH REPUBLIC** are bidding to reach the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for the first time since 2018. They are making their 2nd appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.
- Czech Republic **advanced to the Finals** after defeating Great Britain 3-2 in the Qualifiers in Prague in April. Marketa Vondrousova/Karolina Muchova defeated Harriet Dart/Katie Swan in a decisive doubles match to secure Czech Republic's place at the Finals.
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Czech Republic were awarded a wild card for the Finals. The team finished in 2nd place in Group D, defeating Germany 2-1 but falling to Switzerland 2-1.
- Czech Republic have **won 6 Billie Jean King Cup titles since 2011** – in 2011 (d. Russia), 2012 (d. Serbia), 2014 (d. Germany), 2015 (d. Russia), 2016 (d. France) and 2018 (d. USA). As Czechoslovakia, the team won 5 titles – in 1975, 1983-85 and 1988.
- Czech Republic are bidding to **win the Billie Jean King Cup title for the 12th time**. They are 2nd on the all-time list for most titles won, behind USA (18 titles).
- **Prior to 1994**, Czech players competed for Czechoslovakia. Czech Republic have inherited Czechoslovakia's historic Billie Jean King Cup record.
- Czech Republic are ranked at No. 4 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking**. They first reached the No. 1 ranking in April 2012 and held the top ranking for more than 5 years, from April 2014 to November 2019.
- **Captain Petr Pala** has led the team since 2008 and has a 27-6 tie win-loss record as captain. He has led the team to 6 titles in that time and is the most successful captain in the competition's history in terms of titles won. He never competed for Czech Republic in Davis Cup.

## Czech Republic – Historical Information

### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by a Czech player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Helena Sukova	57-16
2.	Hana Mandlikova	49-12
3.	Jana Novotna	33-12
4.	Petra Kvitova	30-11
5.	Barbora Strycova	22-11

### Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by a Czech player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Helena Sukova	45-11
2.	Hana Mandlikova	34-6
3.	Petra Kvitova	30-10
4.	Jana Novotna	22-7
5.	Lucie Safarova	13-11

### Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by a Czech player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Hana Mandlikova	15-6
2.	Helena Sukova	12-5
3=	Jana Novotna	11-5
	Barbora Strycova	11-4
5.	Kveta Peschke	10-7

### Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a Czech player

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	Helena Sukova	54
2.	Hana Mandlikova	45
3.	Jana Novotna	33
4=	Petra Kvitova	22
	Lucie Safarova	22

## Czech Republic – Player Information

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Karolina Pliskova	2015	5	8	11-5	4-0
Katerina Siniakova	2017	4	7	4-2	2-4
Marketa Vondrousova	2017	4	5	7-1	1-0
Karolina Muchova	2019	2	2	1-0	1-0

### • [KAROLINA PLISKOVA](#)

- **Age:** 30 (born 21 March 1992 in Louny, Czech Republic)
- **Rankings (31 Oct 22):** 32 (singles), 329 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** SF Strasbourg, Toronto; QF Berlin, US Open
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Pliskova has been a member of 2 title-winning Czech teams – and won decisive doubles matches in both the 2015 final, when she and Barbora Strycova defeated Russia's Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova/Elena Vesnina, and the 2016 final, when she and Strycova defeated France's Caroline Garcia/Kristina Mladenovic. Her last Billie Jean King Cup appearance came in the 2019 World Group first round, when she defeated Mihaela Buzarnescu but fell to Simona Halep as the team fell to Romania 3-2.

- **KATERINA SINIAKOVA**
  - **Age:** 26 (born 10 May 1996 in Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic)
  - **Rankings (31 Oct 22):** 47 (singles), 1 (doubles)
  - **2022 singles highlights:** Won Portoroz; QF Hamburg
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Melbourne 2, Australian Open, Berlin, Wimbledon, US Open, Monastir; RU WTA Finals; SF Cleveland, Guadalajara 1000
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Siniakova has won 4 of the 6 Billie Jean King Cup singles matches she has contested – including both matches she played during the 2018 final, when she defeated Alison Riske and Sofia Kenin to secure the title for Czech Republic. She won one of the 2 matches she contested at the 2021 Finals, alongside Lucia Hradecka – the pair defeated Germany's Anna-Lena Friedsam/Jule Niemeier for Siniakova's first victory in a Billie Jean King Cup decisive doubles match, but lost a decisive doubles match to Switzerland's Belinda Bencic/Jil Teichmann. She was nominated for Czech Republic's victory against Great Britain in the Qualifiers this year but did not contest a match.
- **MARKETA VONDROUSOVA**
  - **Age:** 23 (born 28 June 1999 in Sokolov, Czech Republic)
  - **Rankings (31 Oct 22):** 99 (singles), 119 (doubles)
  - **2022 singles highlights:** SF Dubai
  - **2022 doubles highlights:** RU Adelaide
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Vondrousova has won 8 of the 9 Billie Jean King Cup matches she has contested, with her only defeat coming on her debut, when she fell to CoCo Vandeweghe during Czech Republic's defeat to USA in the 2017 semi-finals. She won both matches she played at the 2021 Finals, defeating both Germany's Andrea Petkovic and Switzerland's Viktorija Golubic in straight set, and won all 3 matches she contested during Czech Republic's victory over Great Britain in the Qualifiers this year, defeating both Harriet Dart and Emma Raducanu in singles, and partnering Muchova in a decisive doubles victory against Dart/Katie Swan. She was a member of the Czech team which defeated USA to win the 2015 Junior Billie Jean King Cup title.
- **KAROLINA MUCHOVA**
  - **Age:** 26 (born 21 August 1996 in Olomouc, Czech Republic)
  - **Rankings (31 Oct 22):** 149 (singles), 498 (doubles)
  - **2022 singles highlights:** QF Tallinn
  - **Billie Jean King Cup:** Muchova made her Billie Jean King Cup debut during the 2019 World Group play-offs, defeating Canada's Rebecca Marino in the only singles match she has contested in the competition to date. She made her 2nd appearance during Czech Republic's victory over Great Britain in the Qualifiers this year, partnering Vondrousova in a decisive doubles victory against Dart/Swan.

## Poland – Team Information

- **POLAND** are bidding to reach the Billie Jean King Cup semi-finals for the first time. They are making their first appearance at the Billie Jean King Cup Finals.
- Poland **advanced to the Finals** after defeating Romania 4-0 in the Qualifiers in Radom in April. Magda Linette defeated Irina-Camelia Begu in the opening match of the tie before Iga Swiatek defeated Mihaela Buzarnescu 6-0 6-1 and Andreea Priscariu 6-0 6-0 to secure Poland's place at the Finals.
- **During the 2020-21 Billie Jean King Cup season**, Poland won promotion at the Europe/Africa Group I event in Luxembourg in February 2020 after recording victories against Slovenia, Turkey and Sweden. The team then defeated Brazil 3-2 in the Play-offs in Bytom in April 2021 to advance to the 2022 Qualifiers.
- Poland's **7-tie winning streak** ended with defeat to USA on Wednesday. The team had not previously lost in the competition since falling to Russia in their first group stage tie at the 2019 Europe/Africa Group I event in Zielona Gora.
- Poland's **best Billie Jean King Cup result** is reaching the last 8 on 2 occasions – when they reached the quarterfinals in 1992 (l. Germany) and when they competed in the World Group in 2015, falling to Russia in the first round. Their appearance at the Finals this year marks their best result since the current format was adopted in 2020.



- Poland are ranked No. 15 on the **Billie Jean King Cup Nations Ranking**. They reached their highest ranking of No. 7 in April 2014.
- Captain Dawid Celt** has led the team since 2018 and has a 10-3 tie win-loss record as captain. He did not compete in Davis Cup as a player.

## Poland – Historical Information

### Most Billie Jean King Cup match-wins by a Polish player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Agnieszka Radwanska	42-11
2.	<b>Alicja Rosolska</b>	<b>27-13</b>
3.	Magdalena Feistel	23-20
4.	Klaudia Jans-Ignacik	20-12
5.	Aleksandra Olsza	16-9

### Most Billie Jean King Cup singles match-wins by a Polish player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	Agnieszka Radwanska	34-9
2.	Urszula Radwanska	12-14
3=	<b>Magda Linette</b>	<b>11-8</b>
	Aleksandra Olsza	11-5
5.	Katarzyna Nowak	9-10

### Most Billie Jean King Cup doubles match-wins by a Polish player

Rank	Player	Win-loss
1.	<b>Alicja Rosolska</b>	<b>27-13</b>
2.	Klaudia Jans-Ignacik	20-11
3.	Magdalena Feistel	15-8
4.	Katarzyna Teodorowicz-Lisowska	12-10
5.	Agnieszka Radwanska	8-2

### Most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a Polish player

Rank	Player	Ties played
1.	<b>Alicja Rosolska</b>	<b>40</b>
2.	Agnieszka Radwanska	35
3.	Klaudia Jans-Ignacik	32
4.	Magdalena Feistel	24
5.	Urszula Radwanska	23

## Poland – Player Information

Player	BJK Cup debut year	BJK Cup seasons played	BJK Cup ties played	BJK Cup singles W-L	BJK Cup doubles W-L
Magda Linette	2011	8	20	11-8	4-2
Magdalena Frech	2016	6	11	6-4	3-0
Katarzyna Kawa	2016	2	2	0-1	1-1
Martyna Kubka	2022	0	0	0-0	0-0
Alicja Rosolska	2004	15	40	0-0	27-13



- **MAGDA LINETTE**

- **Age:** 30 (born 12 February 1992 in Poznan, Poland)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 49 (singles), 45 (doubles)
- **2022 singles highlights:** RU Chennai; QF Charleston, Strasbourg, Prague, Cleveland, Seoul
- **2022 doubles highlights:** Won Charleston, Eastbourne
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Linette became the 4th Polish player to win 10 Billie Jean King Cup singles matches by defeating Romania's Irina-Camelia Begu in the Qualifiers this year, and won her 11th singles match in the competition by defeating Madison Keys during Poland's defeat to USA on Wednesday. She and Rosolska then fell to Coco Gauff/Caty McNally in the deciding doubles match. By competing on Wednesday, she became the 8th Polish player to contest 20 Billie Jean King Cup ties.

- **MAGDALENA FRECH**

- **Age:** 24 (born 15 December 1997 in Lodz, Poland)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 116 (singles), 525 (doubles)
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Frech lost her opening match at this year's Finals, falling to Danielle Collins in 3 sets during Poland's defeat to USA on Wednesday. She has won 9 of the 13 matches she has played in the competition since making her debut in 2016 – including a victory alongside Rosolska over Mihaela Buzarnescu/Andreea Mitu in the dead doubles match of Poland's victory against Romania in the Qualifiers this year.

- **KATARZYNA KAWA**

- **Age:** 29 (born 17 November 1992 in Krynica-Zdroj, Poland)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 261 (singles), 75 (doubles)
- **2022 doubles highlights:** RU Warsaw
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Kawa made her Billie Jean King Cup debut during Poland's 2016 World Group II play-off defeat to Chinese Taipei, losing a dead doubles match alongside Klaudia Jans-Ignacik. She returned to the team for the 2021 Play-off victory over Brazil, falling to Carolina Alves in singles but partnering Frech to victory over Alves/Luisa Stefani in the decisive doubles match.

- **MARTYNA KUBKA**

- **Age:** 21 (born 19 April 2001 in Zielona Gora, Poland)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** 608 (singles), 313 (doubles)
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Kubka could make her Billie Jean King Cup debut this week, having been nominated for the first time.

- **ALICJA ROSOLSKA**

- **Age:** 36 (born 1 December 1985 in Warsaw, Poland)
- **Rankings (7 Nov 22):** unranked (singles), 34 (doubles)
- **2022 doubles highlights:** RU St Petersburg, Bad Homburg, Warsaw, Ostrava; SF Adelaide; QF Wimbledon
- **Billie Jean King Cup:** Rosolska holds the records for most Billie Jean King Cup doubles matches won by a Polish player and most Billie Jean King Cup ties played by a Polish player. She is also in 2nd place on the list for most total Billie Jean King Cup matches won by a Polish player behind Agnieszka Radwanska. She and Frech defeated Buzarnescu/Mitu in the dead doubles match of Poland's victory against Romania in the Qualifiers this year – but she and Linette fell to Gauff/McNally in the deciding doubles match of Poland's defeat to USA on Wednesday.