



HSBC Championships 2026: Wildcard Arthur Fery Headlines Queen's Quarter-Finals

Description

Queen's Club's famous grass courts play host to the HSBC Championships 2026 quarter-finals today, and no story has captured the imagination of the grass-court fortnight more than that of British wildcard Arthur Fery. The 23-year-old Londoner who only received his main draw entry as a wildcard has swept through two rounds without dropping a set and now faces seventh seed Francisco Cerundolo of Argentina for a place in the last four.

It is the kind of tournament fairy tale that Queen's Club seems uniquely capable of producing: a British player, in front of his home crowd, reaching the quarter-finals of an ATP 500 event for the first time in his career. If Fery can overcome the Argentine, he would be in the semi-finals of one of the most prestigious grass-court events on the ATP calendar.



Arthur Fery celebrates his second-round win over Adrian Mannarino to reach his first ATP quarter-final (Image: LTA)

Fery's Journey to the Quarter-Finals

Fery's road to the last eight began with a commanding 6-0, 6-2 destruction of fellow Briton Toby Samuel in the first round – a match that set the tone for a campaign built on clean striking and aggressive baseline play. In the second round, he overcame experienced Frenchman Adrian Mannarino 7-6(7), 6-4 in a match that tested his nerve and exposed his competitive mettle.

His quarter-final against Cerundolo – a former Eastbourne champion with a reliable grass-court record – will be his biggest match yet. But Fery's wildcard status belies a talent that has been earning attention on the ATP Challenger circuit for some time, and the Queen's Club crowd will be willing him every step of the way.

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Top seed Alex de Minaur is into his third HSBC Championships quarter-final (Image: LTA)

De Minaur Eyes the Title

Top seed Alex de Minaur enters the quarter-finals in commanding form, having dismantled Denis Shapovalov 6-4, 6-1 in a second-round performance of clinical efficiency. The Australian world number one is contesting his third Queen's Club quarter-final, and his record on grass – quick feet, relentless defence, and an ability to neutralise powerful serves – makes him the man to beat this week.

Brandon Nakashima of the United States also progressed convincingly, beating Peru's Ignacio Buse 6-2, 6-2 to book a quarter-final berth. The American, who has steadily climbed the rankings in recent seasons, will be looking to make a serious run on his first appearance at this stage at Queen's.

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Australian qualifier Rinky Hijikata in action at the 2026 HSBC Championships (Image: LTA)

The Remaining Quarter-Final Picture

The draw fills out with winners from Thursday's late round-of-16 matches, featuring former champion Tommy Paul, fourth seed Alejandro Davidovich Fokina, 2025 finalist Jiri Lehecka, and Ugo Humbert. Paul, who knows this event intimately, is always dangerous on grass, while Davidovich Fokina's aggressive baseline game — backed by a powerful serve — makes him a serious threat on the faster surface. Australian qualifier Rinky Hijikata, who reaches the best result of his career in facing Lehecka, will be hoping to extend the grasscourt surprises.

The HSBC Championships is a combined WTA 500 and ATP 500 event, and the women's singles has already been decided: Donna Vekic claimed the title earlier this week in a tournament that saw Emma Raducanu reach the final. On the men's side, the stage is set for a compelling final few days before the grass-court season builds to its crescendo at Wimbledon.

How to Watch

The HSBC Championships 2026 quarter-finals are live on BBC iPlayer and digital services in the United Kingdom, and on Tennis Channel internationally. The tournament concludes on 21 June — just one week before Wimbledon gets underway.

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