

## PREVIEW MEN'S INDIVIDUAL LARGE HILL LILLEHAMMER – 14-16 Mar 2023

### Halvor Egnér Granerud

- Halvor Egnér Granerud has won 10 individual World Cup events this season, at least five more than any other man this season. He needs one more triumph to equal his previous best World Cup season (11 individual wins in 2020/21).
- Granerud finished on the podium in 15 of his 24 participations in individual World Cup events this season (10 wins, four 2nd places, one 3rd place), but only in one of his last four participations (win in Lake Placid on 12 February).
- Ryoyu Kobayashi (21 in 2018/19) was the last male ski jumper to finish on the podium in more than 15 individual World Cup events in a single season.
- Since Granerud's World Cup win in Lake Placid on 12 February, Granerud finished outside the podium in both the individual normal hill event (11th) and individual large hill event (7th) during the world championships in Planica, as well as the individual large hill World Cup events in Oslo (4th and 7th).
- Granerud has never stood on an individual World Cup podium in Norway (18 participations). His best results were fourth-place finishes in large hill events in Lillehammer (3 March 2022) and Oslo (11 March 2023).
- Granerud can become the first Norwegian male ski jumper to win the Raw Air tournament.
- Granerud can become the third ski jumper to win the Four Hills Tournament and Raw Air in the same season, after Kamil Stoch (in 2017/18) and Ryoyu Kobayashi (in 2018/19).

### Other contenders

- The last nine men's individual World Cup events on Norwegian ground have been won by eight different men. Only Stefan Kraft won twice in this run.
- **Stefan Kraft** (92) can surpass Adam Malysz (92) to move outright second for most podium finishes in men's individual World Cup events, behind only Janne Ahonen (108).
- Kraft won the Raw Air twice (inaugural edition 2017 and in 2022). Kraft (2) can become the first ski jumper to win the Raw Air three times.
- Kraft won the most recent men's World Cup event that took place in Lillehammer, on 3 March 2022.
- **Kamil Stoch** has won three individual World cup events in Lillehammer, in 2016/17, 2017/18 and 2019/20. Only Gregor Schlierenzauer (6) won at least four men's individual World Cup events here.
- **Dawid Kubacki** (14) can surpass Adam Malysz (14 in both 2000/01 and 2001/02) for most individual World Cup podium finishes for a Polish ski jumper in a single season.

- **Poland** has won 98 men's individual World Cup events and can become the fifth country to reach the milestone of 100 men's individual World Cup wins, after Austria, Norway, Finland and Germany.
- **Andreas Wellinger** has won two individual World Cup events this season, in Lake Placid (11 February) and Râsnov (18 February). He had never won multiple individual World Cup events in a single season before.
- **Anže Lanišek** finished first and second in the individual World Cup events in Oslo and is second in this season's Raw Air standings. He can become the third Slovenian man to win the Four Hills, Raw Air or overall World Cup, after Primož Peterka (overall World Cup in 1996/97 and 1997/98) and Peter Prevc (overall World Cup in 2015/16).
- **Ryoyu Kobayashi** won two individual World Cup events this season, both in Sapporo (on 20 and 22 January). His last victory outside of Japan came in Lahti on 27 February 2022.
- Kobayashi (29) can become the seventh man to claim at least 30 victories in individual World Cup events. His best result in Lillehammer was a second place in last season's event on 3 March 2022.

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