

PREVIEW MEN'S INDIVIDUAL LARGE HILL OSLO – Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 Mar 2024

Stefan Kraft

- Stefan Kraft can win the Raw Air competition for a record third time, after 2017 and 2022. He finished second in 2019 and 2023.
- Stefan Kraft has won 10 of the 24 individual World Cup events this season. It marks the highest number of wins in a single season by an Austrian man since Gregor Schlierenzauer recorded 10 wins in 2012/13.
- Among Austrian men, only Schlierenzauer recorded more than 10 individual wins in a World Cup season: 13 wins in 2008/09.
- Kraft won the second of two individual World Cup events last season in Oslo. He can become the first jumper since Severin Freund (three between 2014 and 2015) to win back-to-back individual events in Oslo.
- Kraft (2; 2017, 2023) can join Adam Malysz (5), Freund (3) and Simon Ammann (3) as the men to have won more than two individual World Cup events in Oslo.
- Only Malysz (7) recorded as many podium finishes in individual World Cup events in Oslo as Kraft (6).
- Kraft has won the last three individual World Cup events on Norwegian snow (in Vikersund in March 2023 and twice in Lillehammer in December 2023). He can become the fourth man to claim four successive wins in Norway, after Matti Nykänen (4; 1982-1983), Andreas Goldberger (4 in 1995) and Severin Freund (5 in 2015).
- Only Schlierenzauer (13) has recorded more individual victories in Norway than Kraft (8). Kraft's 20 individual podium finishes in Norwegian snow are a record.

Ryoyu Kobayashi

- Ryoyu Kobayashi won the Raw Air competition in 2019, he finished second in 2020 and third in 2022. Stefan Kraft (2) and Kamil Stoch (2) are the men to have won the Raw Air more than once.
- Since the beginning of the Four Hills Tournament, Ryoyu Kobayashi finished second in nine of the 16 men's individual World Cup events. Kobayashi (9) has equalled Anže Lanišek's record of most runner-up finishes in individual World Cup events in a single season, set in 2022/23.
- Kobayashi only recorded as many individual World Cup podium finishes in 2018/19 (21) as in this season (13).
- Kobayashi (31 wins) is two wins short of equalling Jens Weißflog (33) in seventh place all-time for most individual World Cup wins among men.
- Kobayashi's only victory on Norwegian snow in an individual World Cup event came in Trondheim on 14 March 2019. His best result in Oslo is a fifth place on 10 March 2019.

Other contenders

- The 24 individual World Cup events this season have been won by 11 different men. The last season in which there were more different winners was 2014/15 (13).
- At each of the last four World Cup stops, the two individual events were won by one Austrian and one Slovenian: Lovro Kos and Stefan Kraft in Lake Placid, Kraft and Domen Prevc in Sapporo, Timi Zajc and Kraft in Oberstdorf and Kos and Jan Hörl in Lahti.
- Last year in Oslo, the wins were also split between Slovenia and Austria: Anže Lanišek and Kraft.
- **Andreas Wellinger** only claimed multiple individual World Cup victories in 2022/23 and 2023/24 (2 each), and only in 2016/17 (12) did he record as many individual World Cup podium finishes as in this season (11).
- Wellinger finished second in Oslo on 12 March 2017. It marks his only podium finish in an individual World Cup event in the Norwegian capital. Wellinger also claimed his only podium finish in the Raw Air competition that year (3rd).
- **Jan Hörl** won the second individual event in Lahti last week. This season, Hörl has recorded two of his three career individual World Cup wins and five of his eight podiums.
- **Peter Prevc** recorded three second places in the last four individual World Cup events. His last victory dates back to before the Covid-19 pandemic: a triumph in Lillehammer on 9 March 2020.
- Among Peter Prevc's wins are the World Cup classification (2015/16) and the Four Hills tournament (2015/16). He has yet to claim a podium finish in the Raw Air competition.
- **Poland** is one victory shy of becoming the fifth country to reach 100 men's individual World Cup wins, after Austria, Finland, Norway and Germany (including former East and West Germany).
- There has not been a Polish winner in Oslo since Piotr Zyla triumphed in March 2013.

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