

PREVIEW MEN'S INDIVIDUAL EVENTS TRONDHEIM – Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 Mar 2024

Stefan Kraft

- Stefan Kraft (773.5 points) leads this season's Raw Air standings coming into Trondheim. He won this competition in 2017 and 2022.
- Kraft has won 11 of the 26 individual World Cup events this season. Five men recorded more than 11 wins in a single WC season: Peter Prevc (15 in 2015/16), Gregor Schlierenzauer (13 in 2008/09), Ryoyu Kobayashi (13 in 2018/19), Janne Ahonen (12 in 2004/05) and Halvor Egner Granerud (12 in 2022/23).
- **Kraft (115) is one short of equalling Sara Takanashi (116) for most World Cup podium finishes in individual events among both men and women.**
- Kraft recorded podium finishes in each of his last four participations in individual World Cup events in Trondheim, including winning here ahead of Andreas Stjernen and Andreas Wellinger on 16 March 2017.
- Kraft can join Heinz Kuttin (2), Janne Ahonen (2), Thomas Morgenstern (2) and Kamil Stoch (2) as men to have won multiple individual World Cup events in Trondheim.
- Only Schlierenzauer (13) has won as many men's individual World Cup events in Norway as Kraft (9). Kraft's 22 individual podium finishes on Norwegian snow are a record.

Other contenders

- **Ryoyu Kobayashi** won the most recent individual World Cup event in Trondheim, marking his only individual World Cup victory in Norway (14 March 2019). He can become the third man to win successive events in Trondheim, after Heinz Kuttin (1991-1992), Janne Ahonen (2004) and Thomas Morgenstern (2007).
- Since the beginning of the Four Hills Tournament, Kobayashi finished second in 10 of the 18 men's individual World Cup events. His 10 second places already is the highest number of runner-up finishes a man has ever recorded in a World Cup season.
- **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 seeks to become the third German man to win an individual World Cup event in Trondheim, following Sven Hannawald (2000) and Severin Freund (2015).
- **Jan Hörl** has already achieved twice as many individual wins (2) and podium finishes (6) this World Cup season than in all his previous seasons combined (1 win and 3 podium finishes between 2018/19 and 2022/23).

- **Peter Prevc** (3 second places) has recorded his highest number of individual World Cup podium finishes since 2015/16 (22, including a win in Trondheim on 10 February 2016).
- **Domen Prevc** recorded the best jump in the first run in the most recent individual World Cup event in Oslo (eventually finishing 4th). His aim is to win multiple individual WC events in a single season for the second time, following four wins in 2016/17.
- Besides Stefan Kraft (4), **Lovro Kos** (2) and **Johann André Forfang** (2) are the only men to have won multiple individual World Cup events since the start of February.
- Forfang can become the first Norwegian man to win successive individual World Cup events since Halvor Egner Granerud won four events in a row between January and February 2023.
- **Dawid Kubacki** celebrates his 34th birthday on 12 March. He recorded a third place on his birthday in Oslo last season on 12 March 2023. He can become the first ski jumper to claim an individual World Cup win on his birthday since Gregor Schlierenzauer won in Bischofshofen on his 17th birthday on 7 January 2007.

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