

PREVIEW MEN'S INDIVIDUAL - LARGE HILL LILLEHAMMER – Tuesday 10 Mar 2020

Stefan Kraft

- Stefan Kraft is individual World Cup leader on 1645 points (Karl Geiger follows on 1507). He could end up winning the individual World Cup for the second time, after 2017, when he finished on 1665 points.
- Kraft secures the crystal globe if he wins in Lillehammer and Geiger does not finish in the top-6. Or if Kraft finishes second in Lillehammer, Geiger may not finish in the top-14 for Kraft to secure the globe.
- Kraft has won five individual World Cup events this season, more than any other man. Kraft only claimed more than five wins in his 2016/17 World Cup winning campaign (8).
- On Monday in Lillehammer, Kraft finished in eighth place. He has now finished in the top-10 in 16 of his last 17 individual World Cup events. The lone exception was an 11th place in Titisee-Neustadt on 19 January.
- Kraft won the individual World Cup event in Lillehammer last season, on 12 March 2019. He also reached the podium on 10 December 2016 (3rd).
- Kraft is on 21 career individual World Cup victories. Among Austrian men, only Gregor Schlierenzauer (53), Andreas Felder (25) and Thomas Morgenstern (23) won more.
- Kraft has reached the podium in nine of the last 11 individual World Cup events. The only exceptions in that run were a fourth place in Willingen on 8 February and an eighth place in Lillehammer on Monday.
- Kraft has finished on the podium in 15 individual World Cup events this season, including in 12 of the last 15. Only in 2016/17, he claimed more top-three finishes (17).
- Kraft has eight second-place finishes this season, matching the record for most second places in individual World Cup events in a single season, held by Janne Ahonen (1999/2000), Simon Ammann (2008/09), Thomas Morgenstern (2010/11) and Andreas Wellinger (2016/17).
- Kraft won the inaugural Raw Air competition in 2017 and came in second place behind Ryoyu Kobayashi in 2019.

Karl Geiger

- Only World Cup leader Stefan Kraft (5) has won more individual World Cup events this season than Karl Geiger (4).
- Geiger can become the first German ski jumper to claim more than four individual World Cup wins in a single season since Severin Freund in 2014/15 (9).
- In 2014/15, Freund also was the last German ski jumper to win the overall World Cup.
- Geiger has claimed 11 podium finishes in individual World Cup events this season. The last German ski jumper to claim more in a single season was Andreas Wellinger (12) in 2016/17. Geiger had collected only three podiums before this season.

- Geiger has never finished in the top-10 in an individual World Cup event in Lillehammer. His best result in 11 participations was an 11th place on 13 March 2018.
- Geiger ended up in 19th place on Monday, his lowest ranking in an individual World Cup event this season. His previous low was a 12th place in Titisee-Neustadt on 18 January, which initiated a run of eight individual World Cup events without a podium.

Other contenders

- Peter Prevc won the individual World Cup event in Lillehammer on Monday. With his 23rd individual World Cup event win, he equalled Simon Ammann and Thomas Morgenstern in ninth place all-time. His next target is Andreas Felder (25) in eighth place
- With his win on Monday, Prevc ended a run of 69 winless individual World Cup events, since Sapporo on 11 February 2017. This was his longest winless individual World Cup event streak since his first ever win in Tauplitz/Bad Mitterndorf on 12 January 2014.
- **Kamil Stoch** can claim his third individual World Cup win of the season and his first since 26 January, when he won on home snow in Zakopane.
- Stoch is on 35 career individual World Cup wins and needs one more victory to match Janne Ahonen (36) in fourth place all-time. Gregor Schlierenzauer (53), Matti Nykänen (46) and Adam Malysz (39) complete the top three.
- Stoch won individual World Cup events in Lillehammer on 11 December 2016 and on 13 March 2018. He could join Morgenstern, Ammann and Severin Freund on three individual World Cup wins here. Only Schlierenzauer (6) has more.
- Stoch won the Raw Air competition in 2018 and came in second place behind Stefan Kraft in 2017.
- **Dawid Kubacki**, third in the World Cup standings, has won four individual World Cup events, including three in 2019/20. The last Polish ski jumper to win more than three in a single season was Stoch (9) in his 2017/18 World Cup winning campaign.
- **Ryoyu Kobayashi**, fourth in the World Cup standings, has won three individual World Cup events this season, all in December - in Klingenthal, Engelberg and Oberstdorf.
- Kobayashi is on 16 career individual World Cup wins. The 23-year-old could equal the record for most individual World Cup victories by a Japanese ski jumper, set by Noriaki Kasai (17).
- Since the start of last season, Kobayashi has won 16 individual World Cup events, at least seven more than any other ski jumper. Kraft follows on nine wins in this span.
- Kobayashi won the Raw Air in 2019, leaving Kraft (2nd) and Robert Johansson (3rd) behind on the podium.

- **Marius Lindvik** (2) and **Daniel-André Tande** (2) could both become the first Norwegian ski jumpers to win three individual World Cup events in a single season since Anders Jacobsen (3) in 2012/13.
- Lindvik claimed his wins in Garmisch-Partenkirchen and Innsbruck earlier this season. The 21-year-old can become the third Norwegian ski jumper to win more than two individual World Cup events before his 22nd birthday, after Ole Bremseth (6, all in 1981/82) and Anders Jacobsen (4, all in 2006/07).
- **Ammann**, who won individual World Cup events in Lillehammer in 2006, 2009 and 2010, owns the hill record on Lysgårdsbakken (146.0m).
- Austrian ski jumpers (25) are one shy of Norwegians (26) for most total individual World Cup podium finishes in Lillehammer. In total individual World Cup wins here, Austria already have the lead (13), followed by Germany (7).

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