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The 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris will feature a collection of the world's best athletes in their respective sports battling it out for national pride and, of course, those coveted medals.

This VSiN Summer Games Betting Guide features full breakdowns of what you can expect from the basketball, tennis, golf, and soccer matches during this year's Olympics. Our experts have examined the rosters, format, and the odds to find best bets and compelling dark horses in the events that will draw a majority of the betting action.

In this Guide, you'll read:

- Jonathan Von Tobel on Men's Basketball
- Zach Cohen on Men's and Women's Tennis
- Wes Reynolds on Men's and Women's Golf
- Nigel Seeley on Men's Soccer

Our coverage doesn't stop here, as we'll have more insights and analysis as the Games play out both at [VSiN.com](https://www.vsin.com) and on our VSiN airwaves.

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Best of luck with your Olympic bets!

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The background features a dynamic composition of bold colors and expressive brushstrokes. A large, dark silhouette of a basketball player in mid-air is the central focus, set against a white background with a subtle diamond-patterned texture. The player's form is partially obscured by vibrant, sweeping strokes of blue, red, yellow, and green. The overall aesthetic is energetic and modern.

# OLYMPIC MEN'S BASKETBALL

TEAM USA MASSIVE FAVORITES,  
FRANCE A CONTENDER

By Jonathan Von Tobel

Olympic men's basketball begins group play on July 27 in Paris. Team USA is a massive favorite (-500) to win gold this summer, but do not let those overwhelming odds fool you. International basketball is stronger than ever, and there are quite a few teams that can give the Americans a run for their money at the Olympic games.

## THE FORMAT

Twelve teams will compete for gold at the Olympics in basketball. Those teams are separated into three groups.

### Group A

Australia, Canada, Greece, Spain

### Group B

France, Germany, Japan, Brazil

### Group C

Serbia, South Sudan, USA, Puerto Rico

Teams will play each opponent in the group once. The top two teams in each group will move on to the quarterfinals. The top two third-place teams will advance as well.

After the quarterfinal teams are decided a random draw will take place with two stipulations:

- The two highest ranked teams will be in the pot, meaning they will be placed on the opposite sides of the bracket.
- A team cannot play an opponent that was in its group in the quarterfinals.

Once the field is set a single-elimination tournament will take place. Losers in the quarterfinal round will be eliminated. Losers in the semifinal round will play in the bronze medal game.

## THE TOP CONTENDERS

*(Odds via DraftKings)*

### TEAM USA (-500)

The overwhelming favorite to win gold this summer, and for good reason. The Americans boast the best roster in the field. LeBron James, Stephen Curry and Joel Embiid headline an Olympic squad with incredible defensive potential.

Bam Adebayo, Anthony Davis and Jrue Holiday are also part of Team USA. Adebayo and Davis were selected to the NBA's All-Defensive First Team this past season, and Holiday was selected to the All-Defensive Second Team. The defense should lead the way for the American squad.

Team USA is not without shooters either. Six players on this roster shot 37% or better from distance this past NBA season. Shooting and defensive versatility will be this team's strengths, and it is why they are favored to win gold.

It should be mentioned that there is some attrition that Team USA is dealing with. Kawhi Leonard had to withdraw due to his lingering knee injury. He was replaced with Celtics guard Derrick White. Kevin Durant is also dealing with a calf strain that caused him to miss the tune-up against Canada. His status is in question for the Olympics as a whole, although the team is expressing optimism.

### CANADA (11-1)

The Canadiens are considered to be the biggest threat to Team USA. Canada finished third in the FIBA World Cup last summer. They beat a much different looking American squad in the bronze medal game, but the steps forward taken by this squad are notable.

Shai Gilgeous-Alexander leads the way for Canada as its best player. Gilgeous-Alexander finished the regular season fourth in scoring (30.2)

and second in MVP voting. In almost any contest in the Olympics he will be the best scorer on the floor.

The backcourt is the biggest strength for Canada, and it is not just due to the presence of Gilgeous-Alexander.

Jamal Murray, Andrew Nembhard, RJ Barrett and Luguentz Dort are all members of the Canadian squad. Most of the backcourt members are more competent offensive players than defensive, but Dort's presence gives Canada an elite on-ball defender capable of taking on top-tier perimeter threats.

The biggest weakness for Canada is its frontcourt, specifically center. Kelly Olynyk, Dwight Powell and Khem Birch are their trio of centers on the roster. Olynyk is not a rim protector by any stretch, Powell provides little on offense and Birch is undersized for the position at 6-foot-8.

Many of the teams Canada will likely have to overcome to win gold – Team USA, France and Serbia – boast a massive amount of size at the five. This could ultimately be the Achilles heel for Team Canada which last medaled in 1936.

### FRANCE (14-1)

Much like Team USA, France is going to be a defensive force in this tournament.

Victor Wembanyama and Rudy Gobert form an insane frontcourt that every team will have trouble navigating. Wembanyama is versatile enough that he can play power forward next to Gobert and Les Bleus will not suffer on offense. That means the reigning Defensive Player of the Year and the runner-up are on the floor defending together.

The French have very good perimeter defenders as well. Bilal Coulibaly, Frank Ntilikina, Evan Fournier and Nicolas Batum will all be playing in Paris. Not only does France have insane rim protection, but it has solid wing defenders capable of taking on any assignment. This should be the best defensive team in the field.

Guard play and shot creation is a small issue on paper, but the French have shooting. Isaia Cordinier, Nando De Colo and Guerschon Yabusele all shot 39% or better from deep in their respective leagues last season. Batum, Wembanyama and Fournier are all respectable shooters that need to be accounted for by the opposition.

The French were eliminated in group play of the FIBA World Cup last summer, but Wembanyama was not on that roster. The presence of the young star changes everything for this group, and the fact that they are the host nation gives them a massive advantage.

## PICK FOR GOLD


### FRANCE TO WIN GOLD (14-1)

The defensive potential of France is absolutely unreal. Wembanyama and Gobert on the floor together make it nearly impossible for opponents to score at the rim. The presence of Coulibaly gives the French an elite wing defender, and both Batum and Fournier can still be plus defenders when on the floor.

Offense will be the biggest question for France. Andrew Albicy is a very small guard. Ntilikina is a good defender, but is not a great offensive guard by any stretch. Having said that, the French have plenty of shooting. Even with a massive frontcourt the spacing should not be an issue at all.

Les Bleus are in what I would deem to be the easiest group as well. Germany – the reigning FIBA World Cup champions – are in Group B, but both Japan and Brazil are triple-digit longshots to win gold. The French have a very clear path toward a berth in the quarterfinals. As the host nation they will have a strong home-court advantage throughout this tournament as well.

All of this equates to a team that has a better chance to win a gold medal than what +1400 would indicate.

An abstract graphic design featuring a central silhouette of a tennis racket. The background is composed of large, overlapping brushstrokes in blue, red, green, and yellow. A white diamond-patterned texture is visible in the background behind the racket silhouette.

# OLYMPIC TENNIS

KEEP YOUR EYES ON  
RAFA AND IGA

By Zach Cohen

There will be men's and women's doubles tournaments, as well as mixed doubles, played at the 2024 Summer Olympics. However, the main attraction for tennis will be the men's and women's singles events.

We'll see two 64-player tournaments to determine who will go home with gold, silver and bronze medals. Both tournaments will follow a best-of-three format, and all sets will be played with traditional seven-point tiebreakers (if necessary). To make matters better, the event will take place at Roland Garros. That means the top players in the world will be competing for their countries on one of the grandest stages in tennis: Court Philippe-Chatrier.

## MEN'S TENNIS

### TOP CONTENDERS

Carlos Alcaraz (+190)  
Novak Djokovic (+275)  
Jannik Sinner (+275)

This is the same group of contenders as every big tennis tournament. The new "Big Three" is responsible for the last nine Grand Slam titles. These three are surface-proof and are threats to win every time they step on a tennis court. That won't be any different in Paris.

Alcaraz, who is representing Spain, won the French Open in June. That was an event played at this very venue, so he'll come into this thing feeling like it's his to lose. Alcaraz has the highest clay-court Elo rating of anybody in the men's game right now, and his game is a perfect match for these conditions. Alcaraz is the fastest player on the planet, so it's hard to get the ball by him on slower courts. He also has the ability to hit every shot in the book, but he's especially strong when it comes to utilizing topspin. Combining that with his all-world baseline power and uncanny variety makes it understandable he's the favorite.

Djokovic has had an up-and-down 2024 season, but he has won three majors at Roland Garros. The 24-time Grand Slam champion also happened to find his game at Wimbledon, looking as sharp as he has all year long. Djokovic might be 37 years old, but he keeps himself in tremendous shape. And his best

level is capable of winning on any given day. Djokovic is precise with his serve, he's one of the best returners of all time and he's arguably the most well-rounded baseline player in the history of the sport. Djokovic is also elite at the net. Not only does Djokovic have the game to win gold, but he also has the motivation. Nobody in the history of tennis has a better resume than Djokovic, but he has never won gold for Serbia. He'll be eager to change that.

Sinner is the world No. 1 and has been the best player in tennis for most of 2024. And while clay-court success has eluded the Italian a bit, he has shown that he is very dangerous on this surface. Sinner nearly beat Alcaraz in the French Open semifinals, but he started to cramp up and really tailed off late in the match. That shouldn't be much of a concern in best-of-three tennis. Sinner was actually one of the sharpest players on the ATP Tour early in the clay-court season, as he was able to serve through the conditions and bully people from the baseline. Sinner has also expanded his game to include some more spin, drop shots and net play. With that in mind, he'll be very live to take home the gold here.

### DARK HORSE

#### CASPER RUUD (12-1)

Ruud suffered an early exit at Wimbledon and people were quick to clown him for that, but he's a two-time French Open runner-up and loves to play on clay. Ruud has the third-highest raw clay-court Elo rating in the men's game, and he has won more matches than everybody but Sebastian Baez on this surface over the last 52 weeks. Ruud also had a real shot at making a third French Open final in a row this year, but he was dealing with an illness in his loss to Alexander Zverev in the semis. If he was healthy, he might have won that match. Ruud took the first set and looked like he was going to cruise to a victory.

Ruud's game is just hard to beat in slower conditions, as he's a solid server, hits powerful, topspin-heavy shots from the baseline and maneuvers himself around the court at an elite level. So, don't rule him out when trying to figure out who will win the gold. Ruud just might sneak up on you and take it home for Norway.

### PICK FOR GOLD

#### RAFAEL NADAL (10-1)

It's entirely possible that people will write Nadal off after his opening-round loss to Zverev at the French Open. However, I think Nadal represents the best value on the board in this tournament. The Spaniard skipped Wimbledon to focus solely on clay-court tennis, and he has been doing everything he can to get his body right. Well, if he's able to avoid a setback, that should do him wonders. As the 14-time French Open champion gets further and further from the hip injury that derailed his 2023 season — and the start of his 2024 season — he should look more like a top-10 player. That said, don't write off the King of Clay.

Nadal, who won a gold medal in 2008, is 112-4 in his French Open career. He has just been unbeatable in this venue. I know Father Time is coming for the 38-year-old, but Nadal hasn't demanded much from his body in recent months. It also doesn't hurt that this is a best-of-three tournament. Physically, he should be able to handle a deep run in a tournament with shorter matches.

Nadal will just need to find a way to keep things together on his serve. He still has an impressive baseline game, where he now goes a bit bigger to find winners because he can't regularly grind out long rallies anymore. He's also capable of getting into his opponent's service games quite frequently. So, if he can rack up holds, he's going to be as tough of an out as anyone. Nadal is going to give this tournament absolutely everything he has left.

Realistically, the winner will probably come from the group of Alcaraz, Djokovic and Sinner. But I don't like the odds enough to back any of them in a tournament that could get a little wonky. I'd rather take a shot here.

## WOMEN'S TENNIS

### TOP CONTENDERS

#### IGA SWIATEK (-180)

It really only makes sense to list Swiatek here. Swiatek, who won the 2024 French Open and has now won four titles at Roland Garros, has a career record of 35-2 at this venue. She's also 84-10 on clay at the WTA level,

in general. Swiatek is a good spot server, a relentless returner and is absolutely impenetrable as a baseline player. She gets everything back and then turns defense into offense with her vicious backhand and topspin-heavy forehand. Poland isn't expected to be much of a factor in the Olympic Games, but Swiatek makes her country extremely relevant on the red clay.

### DARK HORSE

#### BARBORA KREJCIKOVA (29-1)

Krejcikova was a forgotten woman before putting herself back on the map at Wimbledon. The 28-year-old is a former world No. 2 and she clearly has the ability to be a top-five player again. She just needs to find a way to stay healthy, which has been difficult over the last few seasons. But now that Krejcikova is on the court and feeling good physically, there's no reason she can't make some noise in the Olympic Games.

The Czech star won the French Open in 2021 and really enjoys playing in slower conditions. Krejcikova can throw opponents off with her ability to utilize slice, and she's also just extremely precise with her ground strokes. Nothing about her game will absolutely wow you, but she's solid in every regard and really understands match psychology. I'd say she's a top-five contender to win this tournament, but she's not being priced anything like that.

### PICK FOR GOLD

#### IGA SWIATEK (-180)

With Aryna Sabalenka not in the field, it's just hard to pinpoint a player that can actually beat Swiatek in these conditions. Coco Gauff is the second-highest player on the odds board, but Swiatek has absolutely dominated their head-to-head series. Honestly, the only player in the field that has given Swiatek any trouble is Jelena Ostapenko, who is 4-0 in their four career matchups. But you can't lay off Swiatek strictly because of Ostapenko's presence in the draw. If the two were to meet in this tournament, Swiatek would be a big favorite. So, don't overthink this. It might be a little juicy to back the Pole, but this is the only way you should play the women's side of things.

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# OLYMPIC MEN'S SOCCER

FRANCE ATOP PODIUM AT HOME,  
PARAGUAY WILL LURK

By Nigel Seeley

Are you already mourning the end of the European Championship and Copa America? Fear not. Ten days after the finals of both of those tournaments, the feast of international soccer continues at the Paris 2024 Summer Olympics.

The men's competition will kick off on Wednesday, July 24th, which, due to the number of matches required, is actually two days before the opening ceremony. The action runs all the way through to August 9th, when the final takes place in Paris.

Sixteen teams will battle for the gold, silver and bronze medals, split initially into four groups of four teams, with the top two in each group advancing to the quarterfinals. Group games can end in a tie (3 points for a win, 1 point for a tie, 0 for a loss), but the quarterfinals mark the beginning of the knockout stage, where in the event of a tie, a 30-minute extra time period is played, followed by a penalty shootout if necessary.

This is fundamentally an under-23 tournament, but each nation can pick three overage players classified as "wildcard" picks, which is where it can get very interesting. Some of the best in the business have been featured over the years. Neymar starred for Brazil in 2016 and Lionel Messi won gold with Argentina in 2008, although he won't feature here.

Brazil have won Gold at the last two Olympics, but they will not get the chance to become the first nation to complete a hat trick of wins as they failed to qualify for the tournament. Under-21 European Championship winners England will also not be participating despite that competition being how the three UEFA (European) qualifiers were decided. The reason being there is a fear amongst the nations of Great Britain that if they amalgamate for the Olympics, they could lose their independence for future World Cups and Euros.

Hosts France are joined by fellow European nations Israel, Spain, and Ukraine, alongside Iraq, Japan, and Uzbekistan from Asia. Egypt, Mali, and Morocco represent Africa, plus South American pair Argentina and Paraguay. Rank outsiders New Zealand are the sole representative from Oceania, while the USA are joined by the Dominican Republic from

CONCACAF. Guinea, who won the AFC-CAF playoff, claimed the final spot.

## THE TOP CONTENDERS

Three nations stand clear at the head of the market, and if the traders are correct, the winner will come from one of them.

### FRANCE +225

The French have a legend of the game in charge, World Cup winner Thierry Henry, who has already made his intentions clear. "I am looking at the gold medal," he said, "If you don't come for the gold, there is no point coming."

Kylian Mbappé had expressed an interest in competing but didn't make the final cut. However, the 18-man squad is littered with top players from the elite European leagues. Lyon striker Alexandre Lacazette will captain the side, with Premier League Crystal Palace's Player of the Year Jean-Philippe Mateta another wildcard selection. Former teammate Michael Olise, who this month joined German giants Bayern Munich for more than \$60 million, is another eye-catching inclusion.

As hosts, France didn't have to qualify but were losing quarterfinalists at the Under-21 European Championship last year. With the extra firepower of Lacazette and Mateta (scorers of 35 top-flight goals last season) alongside a head coach who has managed in Ligue 1 and MLS, as well as assisting Roberto Martinez with Belgium, it is clear why "Les Bleuets" are much fancied.

### ARGENTINA +275

The second favorites have a two-time Olympic gold medal winner in charge as they look to further stamp their credentials as the best soccer nation in the men's game. Former Liverpool and Barcelona star Javier Mascherano played on the squads that won in 2004 and 2008 and has been an integral part of the coaching setup since hanging his boots up in 2020.

He guided his side to a win over Brazil in the pre-Olympic tournament to secure their place at Paris 2024. Having assembled a squad that generally plays in their native country, Mascherano has used his wildcards to add

World Cup winners Nicolas Otamendi, Julian Alvarez, and Geronimo Rulli, despite the last two players mentioned having also been part of the Argentinian Copa America squad.

### SPAIN +300

Sixteen-year-old Lamine Yamal made all the headlines at the European Championship with his wonder goal, helping his nation to the final and making him the favorite to be named the Player of the Tournament. However, despite being eligible to compete in Paris, the Barcelona wonderkid will not be showcasing his incredible talent. Although much to his club's disappointment, teammate Fermín López is in the final 18. The 21-year-old caught the eye with a stunning goal and assist in a pre-season 3-0 defeat of Real Madrid last term, so he is one to look out for here.

The Spanish won silver at the last Olympics, where current head coach Santi Denia was assistant to Luis de la Fuente who now leads the full men's side. He will be desperate to go one better here having also lost out to England in the 2023 UEFA European Under-21 Championship final.

It's a tough call between the top three, and like the traders, I genuinely can't see anyone outside of these going on to win gold. Ultimately, the firepower of the French swings it for me, added to the fact that they will be playing on home soil and their key players haven't had the extra exertion of another major tournament before heading here.

### PICK FOR GOLD FRANCE +225

## DARK HORSES

### USA (20-1)

It couldn't be a tougher start for the U.S. men's soccer team as they face favorites France, but it will certainly give a good indication of how far Marko Mitrović's side can go in the tournament. It could also be the best time to play the French. It would be a shock if they could not take care of Guinea and New Zealand, which make up Group A.

Walker Zimmerman is included as a wildcard after missing out on the Copa America due to injury. Alongside Miles Robinson, they should ensure the team can build

on solid foundations. Despite a couple of surprising home-based omissions, there is enough talent from European clubs to suggest the U.S. can go deep, including German-based 2023 U.S. Soccer Young Male Player of the Year Kevin Paredes.

### PARAGUAY (25-1)

Having missed the last three editions of the World Cup, Paraguay have become something of a forgotten soccer nation. So, their qualification for the Olympic Games is certainly a big step in the right direction.

Carlos Jara Saguier's side have earned their tag as potential dark horses having won the CONMEBOL Pre-Olympic Tournament. An unbeaten campaign saw them finish ahead of Argentina, who they drew with twice and Brazil, who they beat 1-0.

Expect the Paraguayans to play a simple and fairly direct brand of soccer as they look to qualify from a group containing Japan, Mali and Israel. Their progress will largely depend on the form (and goals) of Inter Miami's Diego Gómez, who has been linked with a move to West Ham in the Premier League.

### JAPAN (33-1)

Japan suffered heartbreak on their turf at the last Olympic Games when they lost the third-place play-off 3-1 to Mexico. It would have been their first medal since 1968, and if they are to right that wrong in Paris, it will be achieved with a squad that doesn't include any overage players.

Key men Yuito Suzuki of Brøndby and Sint-Truidense's Zion Suzuki have not been released by their clubs who deem them too important. The same goes for the "Japanese Messi," Takefusa Kubo, once of Real Madrid but now firmly established at Real Sociedad and with 35 full internationals under his belt.

Instead of recruiting full international wildcards like Wataru Endō, head coach Go Oiwa has shown full faith in his young players. He has named 16 players who were in the squad that won the Under-23 Asian Cup in May, including tournament MVP Joel Chima Fujita.

### PICK FOR GOLD PARAGUAY (25-1)



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# OLYMPIC GOLF

WITH FIELDS SET,  
CONSIDER COURSE  
HISTORY YOUR GUIDE

By Wes Reynolds

After over a century, golf was reinstated into the Olympic Games for Rio 2016. Now it is back for its third go-around at Le Golf National, located just southwest of Paris. Unlike the 1900 games in Paris where there was a team and individual competition, there are just individual competitions here in Paris with 60 players on the men's side and 60 players on the women's side.

Like most tournaments, these are four-day stroke play events held over 72 holes where gold, silver, and bronze medals are awarded at the conclusion. In the event of a tie, there will be sudden-death playoffs to decide the medals. This happened at the Tokyo games when Chinese Taipei's C.T. Pan emerged from a seven-man playoff to earn the bronze medal.

## THE FIELDS

The field of 60 players is selected as follows:

- The Top 15 world ranked players on the IGF (International Golf Federation) points list with no more than four players coming from one nation.
- The remaining spots are allocated based on said points list with no more than two players coming from one nation.
- The IGF guarantees that at least one golfer from the host nation and each geographical region (Africa, the Americas, Asia, Europe, and Oceania) also qualifies for the field.

The men's competition takes place on Thursday, August 1 through Sunday, August 4.

The women's competition takes place on Wednesday, August 7 through Saturday, August 10.

Field lists for both men and women are available on the next page.

## THE COURSE

The Albatross Course at Le Golf National, located in Guyancourt, just southwest of Paris, will host the Olympic Games competitions. Golf fans and bettors alike should be familiar with this track as it hosted the 2018 Ryder Cup (won by Team Europe 17.5-10.5). It also hosts the Open de France each year on the DP World Tour.

The stock yardage here for the men should be 7,331 yards for a Par 72, which is the yardage for the DP World Tour event. As for the women, an official yardage has yet to be officially released, but it should play a little over 6,700 yards.

Ten of the Albatross' 18 holes have water at least partially in play, including six on the back nine. The greens on the 15th, 16th and 18th holes all have water guarding the approach shots, so it should make for an exciting finish.

## OLYMPIC GOLF HISTORY

### 2020 TOKYO

Men's:

Gold: Xander Schauffele - USA

Silver: Rory Sabbatini - Slovakia

Bronze: C.T. Pan - Chinese Taipei\*

\*Won a seven-man playoff that included Paul Casey (Great Britain), Hideki Matsuyama (Japan), Rory McIlroy (Ireland), Collin Morikawa (USA), Sebastián Muñoz (Colombia), and Mito Pereira (Chile).

Women's:

Gold: Nelly Korda - USA

Silver: Mone Inami - Japan\*

Bronze: Lydia Ko - New Zealand

\*Inami and Ko tied, but Inami won the sudden-death playoff for the silver medal.

### 2016 RIO

Men's:

Gold: Justin Rose - Great Britain

Silver: Henrik Stenson - Sweden

Bronze: Matt Kuchar - USA

Women's:

Gold: Inbee Park - South Korea

Silver: Lydia Ko - New Zealand

Bronze: Shanshan Feng - China

## SELECTIONS

While no odds are widely available at press time, you can get a realistic gauge of how the odds board will shake out at the top with Scottie Scheffler, Rory McIlroy, and Xander Schauffele being the top choices on the men's side and Nelly Korda leading the way on the women's side.

On the men's side, players that have had previous success here include winners of the Open de France which include Tommy Fleetwood (2017), Alex Noren (2018), and Guido Migliozzi (2022).

Fleetwood also went 4-1 in the 2018 Ryder Cup victory for Team Europe.

Other high past finishes in events held at Le Golf National include McIlroy (3rd in 2016), Jon Rahm (5th in 2017 and 10th in 2018), Thorbjørn Olesen (3rd in 2017 and 10th in 2023), David Puig (4th in 2022), Ryan Fox (6th in 2017), Tom Kim (6th in 2023), and Ludvig Åberg (7th in 2022).

On the women's side, it is worth noting that Rose Zhang tied for 1st on this course in 2022 as the low scorer in the Espirito Santo Trophy, which is a team competition for the World Amateur Team Championship.

A full writeup of both competitions will be available at VSiN.com the week beginning Monday, July 29.

## MEN'S FIELD OF 60

(as of June 17)

### USA

Scottie Scheffler - No. 1  
Xander Schauffele - No. 3  
Wyndham Clark - No. 5  
Collin Morikawa - No. 7

### Ireland

Rory McIlroy - No. 2  
Shane Lowry - No. 33

### Sweden

Ludvig Åberg - No. 4  
Alex Noren - No. 55

### Norway

Viktor Hovland - No. 6  
Kristoffer Ventura - No. 281

### Spain

Jon Rahm - No. 9  
David Puig - No. 113

### Japan

Hideki Matsuyama - No. 12  
Keita Nakajima - No. 83

### Great Britain

Tommy Fleetwood - No. 13  
Matt Fitzpatrick - No. 18

### France

Matthieu Pavon - No. 20  
Victor Perez - No. 78

### Austria

Sepp Straka - No. 21

### Australia

Jason Day - No. 24  
Min Woo Lee - No. 36

### South Korea

Tom Kim - No. 26  
Byeong Hun An - No. 27

### Canada

Nick Taylor - Canada - No. 35  
Corey Connors - Canada - No. 37

### South Africa

Christiaan Bezuidenhout - No. 40  
Erik van Rooyen - No. 67

### Germany

Stephan Jaeger - No. 42  
Matti Schmid - No. 134

### Denmark

Nicolai Højgaard - No. 44  
Thorbjørn Olesen - No. 85

### Belgium

Thomas Detry - No. 48  
Adrien Dumont de Chassart - No. 187

### Argentina

Emiliano Grillo - No. 52  
Alejandro Tosti - No. 98

### New Zealand

Ryan Fox - No. 59  
Daniel Hillier - No. 190

### Poland

Adrian Meronk - No. 73

### Chile

Joaquin Niemann - No. 99  
Mito Pereira - No. 272

### Finland

Sami Välimäki - No. 100  
Tapio Pulkkanen - No. 378

### Chinese Taipei

Kevin Yu - No. 108  
C.T. Pan - No. 140

### China

Carl Yuan - No. 155  
Marty Dou - No. 338

### Colombia

Camilo Villegas - No. 177  
Nico Echavarria - No. 269

### Italy

Matteo Manassero - No. 180  
Guido Migliozzi - No. 198

### India

Shubhankar Sharma - No. 219  
Gaganjeet Bhullar - No. 261

### Puerto Rico

Rafael Campos - No. 221

### Mexico

Carlos Ortiz - No. 240  
Abraham Ancer - No. 312

### Thailand

Kiradech Aphibarnrat - No. 242  
Phachara Kwongwatmai - No. 287

### Malaysia

Gavin Green - No. 257

### Paraguay

Fabrizio Zanotti - No. 343

### Switzerland

Joel Girrbach - No. 366

## WOMEN'S FIELD OF 60

(as of June 24)

### USA

Nelly Korda - No. 1  
Lilia Vu - No. 2  
Rose Zhang - No. 9

### South Korea

Jin Young Ko - No. 3  
Amy Yang - No. 5  
Hyo Joo Kim - No. 13

### China

Ruoning Yin - No. 4  
Xiyu Lin - No. 15

### France

Céline Boutier - No. 6  
Perrine Delacour - No. 75

### Australia

Hannah Green - No. 7  
Minjee Lee - No. 11

### Great Britain

Charley Hull - No. 8  
Georgia Hall - No. 36

### Japan

Yuka Saso - No. 10  
Miyū Yamashita - No. 19

### Thailand

Atthaya Thitikul - No. 12  
Patty Tavatanakit - No. 25

### Canada

Brooke Henderson - No. 14  
Alena Sharp - No. 292

### New Zealand

Lydia Ko - No. 17

### Sweden

Maja Stark - No. 21  
Linn Grant - No. 26

### Spain

Carlota Ciganda - No. 30  
Azahara Muñoz - No. 109

### Ireland

Leona Maguire - No. 32  
Stephanie Meadow - No. 134

### South Africa

Ashleigh Buhai - No. 41  
Paula Reto - No. 196

### India

Aditi Ashok - No. 60  
Diksha Dagar - No. 167

### Mexico

Gaby López - No. 62

### Germany

Esther Henseleit - No. 64  
Alexandra Försterling - No. 69

### Switzerland

Albane Valenzuela - No. 70  
Morgane Métraux - No. 127

### Denmark

Emily Kristine Pedersen - No. 87  
Nanna Koerstz Madsen - No. 106

### Chinese Taipei

Pei-yun Chien - No. 88  
Wei-ling Hsu - No. 161

### Netherlands

Anne Van Dam - No. 108

### Philippines

Bianca Pagdangan - No. 113  
Dottie Ardina - No. 298

### Belgium

Manon De Roey - No. 154

### Austria

Emma Spitz - No. 178  
Sarah Schober - No. 330

### Singapore

Shannon Tan - No. 181

### Mexico

María Fassi - No. 186

### Norway

Celine Borge - No. 187  
Madelene Stavnar - No. 307

### Czech Republic

Klára Spilková - No. 192  
Sára Koušková - No. 290

### Colombia

Mariajo Uribe - No. 198

### Italy

Alessandra Fanali - No. 211

### Malaysia

Ashley Lau - No. 279

### Finland

Ursula Wikström - No. 286  
Noora Komulainen - No. 301

### Slovenia

Ana Belac - No. 288  
Pia Babnik - No. 336

### Morocco

Ines Laklalech - No. 321