



Austrian Open action starts tomorrow

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The ITTF World Tour Austrian Open starts tomorrow – with five English players competing.

Taking place in Linz, the competition will start with the qualifying group stage.

Competing in the Women's Singles is England No 1 & 2 Tin-Tin Ho and Maria Tsaptsinos.

Ho (world ranked 105) will play WR No 106 Hyo Sim Cha (PRK), while Tsaptsinos (WR 203) will play Ukraine's Tetyana Bilenko (WR 98).

In the Men's Singles, Andrew Baggaley will play Austria's Simon Pfeffer (world ranked No 205) in preliminary round 1.

The action for both Paul Drinkhall & Liam Pitchford begins in preliminary round 2. Drinkhall will play Hungary's Bence Majoros, while Pitchford will face either Frane Kojic (CRO) or Lorenzo Lupulesku (SRB).

Drinkhall & Pitchford are also competing in the doubles again. On Wednesday they will play Sharath Kamal Achanta & Sathiyam Gnanasekaran in preliminary round 1.

All players will be hoping to make it through to the main draw action, which begins on Thursday. The world's top 14 male players will all be present, with the top 16 seeds completed by two high-ranked Austrian players (Daniel Habesohn and Robert Gardos) in their home country. On the women's side, the seeds comprise the world's top 15 and the 33rd-ranked Austrian Liu Jia.

Watch live

You can watch the Austrian Open live on the [ITTF website](#).

Tables one to four are available on day one, meaning you can watch all three men in England today. For full times and table numbers, see the schedule below.

Women's Singles

Preliminary Round 1

Maria Tsapsinos vs Tetyana Bilenko (UKR) – table 6 – 11.30am UK time

Tin-Tin (WR 105) vs Cha Hyo Sim (PRK) – table 11 – 11.30am UK time

Men's Singles

Preliminary Round 1

Andrew Baggaley will play Austria's Simon Pfeffer (world ranked No 205) – table 3 – 9am UK time

Preliminary Round 2

Paul Drinkhall vs Bence Majoros (HUN) – table 3 – 15.40 UK time

Liam Pitchford vs TBC – table 4 – 15.40 UK time

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