

Huntington Beach – Men – #1 Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander

Taylor Crabb / Sander are playing together for the 16th time on the AVP Tour and 26th time overall

- The duo has won 4 times on the AVP Tour (Phoenix 2022, Huntington Beach 2022, Miami 2023, Manhattan Beach 2023), finished 2nd four times and 3rd three times
- Internationally the duo has played 11 times, with the best of 9th place (done 3 times, with 2 of those in Challenge events)
- In 2 seasons as partners on the AVP, they are 56-20 in matches, 42-5 when winning the first set, 14-14 when losing the first set... they are 0-1 in one-set matches and 19-12 in three-set matches (2-4 in the last 6)
- They began their partnership with an 11-3 match record, but then went 5-5... since that point they have gone 40-12 entering Huntington Beach... of their 20 match losses, 15 have come to teams seeded 1st or 2nd

AVP Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	9/1-3/2023	Gold Series Chicago Open	3	5	2095	\$10,000.00
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	4	1	2572	\$30,000.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	4	5	2095	\$10,000.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	3	2	2095	\$8,500.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	3	3	1990	\$6,000.00
AVP	3/16-19/2023	Pro Series Miami Open	1	1	2205	\$14,000.00
AVP	11/11-13/2022	Huntington Beach Open	1	1	1891	\$8,000.00
AVP	9/23-24/2022	Phoenix Championships	3	1	1891	\$15,000.00
AVP	9/2-4/2022	Chicago Open	4	2	2205	\$22,000.00
AVP	8/18-21/2022	Manhattan Beach Open	5	3	2095	\$12,000.00
AVP	8/5-7/2022	Atlanta Open	4	7	1796	\$7,600.00
AVP	7/29-31/2022	Fort Lauderdale Open	4	3	1891	\$6,000.00
AVP	7/8-10/2022	Hermosa Beach Open	5	2	1990	\$8,500.00
AVP	5/27-29/2022	New Orleans Open	3	2	1990	\$8,500.00
AVP	5/6-8/2022	Austin Open	7	5	1706	\$4,200.00

Taylor Crabb – age 32 – 6’0” – hometown Honolulu, Hawai’i – currently Redondo Beach, Calif. – Long Beach State

- This is Taylor Crabb’s 59th AVP event with 8 different partners
- Taylor Crabb has 13 wins (8 with Jake Gibb, 4 with Taylor Sander which includes 1 on the Tour Series, and 1 with Phil Dalhausser), 13 seconds (with 4 different partners), and 15 thirds
- Taylor Crabb led the AVP Tour in victories in 2019 with 4, and tied for the lead the past two years (with 3 wins in 2022 and 2 wins in 2023)
- He is a 5-time AVP Best Defensive Player (2016, 2017, 2019, 2022, 2023), the 2015 Newcomer of the Year, the most Valuable Player (2019) and part of the 2019 Team of the Year (with Jake Gibb)
- Taylor Crabb has advanced to the semifinals in 41 of his 58 AVP tournaments (71% of the events)
- This will be his 7th AVP event in Huntington Beach (finished 3rd in 2015 and 2nd in 2016 with Trevor Crabb; 3rd in 2017 and 1st in 2019 with Jake Gibb; and 1st in 2022 and 3rd in 2023 with Taylor Sander)... he has been in the semifinals of all previous six AVP tournaments here, with a match record of 25-7 (5 of the losses were to teams seeded 1st or 2nd)

Taylor Sander – age 32 – 6’5” – hometown Corona, Calif. – currently Huntington Beach, Calif. – Brigham Young

- Sander is playing in his 17th AVP event (16 alongside Taylor Crabb and 1 with his brother Brenden Sander)
- Sander has 4 wins (all with Taylor Crabb) and has been in the semifinals in 11 of his 16 AVP events entering Huntington Beach
- Sander, a two-time indoor Olympian, is 15-12 in AVP matches with at least one Olympian (indoors or beach) on the opposing team
- In his short AVP career, Sander has lost 24 matches on the AVP tour (entering Huntington Beach), and 19 of those were to teams seeded higher than him (has been upset just 5 times)

Huntington Beach – Men – #2 Phil Dalhausser / Avery Drost

Dalhausser / Drost are playing together for the 6th time on the AVP Tour

- The duo made their debut in Huntington Beach 2023... they finished 5th in each of their first 4 AVP events before placing 3rd in the 2023 season finale in Chicago
- The two players have met on the court just 5 times previously... Dalhausser has won each time in a sweep... they last met in Manhattan Beach 2018... they shared the court in Huntington Beach in 2018 (on the FIVB Tour), with Dalhausser / Lucena defeating Drost / Billy Kolinske 21-19, 21-17
- Entering Huntington Beach in 1 season together on the AVP they have a 15-10 match record... they are 14-2 when winning the first set and 1-8 when losing the first set... they are 5-3 in three-set matches
- In their first two tournaments they played 10 matches and 6 went to a third set and another 3 went past 21 points in at least one set... in their last three tournaments they played 2 three-set matches and just 1 other set that went past 21 points

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	9/1-3/2023	Gold Series Chicago Open	6	3	2321	\$13,000.00
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	6	5	2095	\$9,000.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	7	5	2095	\$10,000.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	8	5	1796	\$4,200.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	7	5	1796	\$4,200.00

Phil Dalhausser – age 44 – 6'9" – hometown Baden, Switzerland – currently Orlando, Fla. – Central Florida

- This is Dalhausser's 161st AVP event, winning 62 titles (plus 38 FIVB wins and 1 NVL victory)... he has 21 seconds, 26 thirds and 1 fourth... he has been in the semifinals in 110 of his 160 completed AVP tournaments (69%)
- Drost marks the 13th different partner that Dalhausser has ever had... 5 of them have been new partners for him since the start of 2022
- Since winning in Austin in 2005, Dalhausser won at least one title (AVP or FIVB) in 16 straight seasons before 2021
- Dalhausser's AVP match record by year the past 5 seasons: 20-7 in 2019, 11-1 in 2020, 2-4 in 2021, 27-12 in 2022 (he had as many losses in 2022 as the previous three years combined), and 18-13 in 2023... in New Orleans 2023 he went 0-2, the 3rd time doing that since the start of 2022 (the only 2 times prior to that he went 0-2 excluding forfeits were in Huntington Beach 2013, in Belmar 2003)
- In 2022 Dalhausser has played his 9 AVP events with 4 different partners... that was the first time in his career that he has played with even 3 different partners within the same AVP season... he had 3 different partners in 2023
- Dalhausser is playing his 14th AVP tournament in Huntington Beach... he has won 5 previous titles here (in 2006, 2008, 2009 and 2010 with Todd Rogers, and in 2017 with Nick Lucena)... he has the most AVP wins in Huntington Beach of all time by any player
- Dalhausser began the 2023 season playing with Troy Field, finishing third in Miami... he then placed 13th with John Sutton in New Orleans

Avery Drost – age 37 - 6'5" – hometown Redlands, Calif. – currently Redondo Beach, Calif. – Westmont College

- This is Drost's 90th AVP tournament with 31 different partners... Dalhausser will mark just the 2nd person he has ever partnered with for at least 6 events (also Chase Frishman, 18)
- He has advanced to 8 semifinals in his AVP career, including 3 second-place finishes with Chase Frishman on the Tour Series in 2022... they made it to the title match in Atlantic City, Virginia Beach and Huntington Beach (where their only two losses were to top seeds Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander)

- His first ever semifinal was New York 2015 with Billy Kolinske, when they lost the first round match before winning 4 straight must-win matches to reach the semis (including wins over teams seeded #3 and #4)... his other third-place finishes came in Seattle 2016 with Gregg Weaver (after advancing from the qualifier and losing in the first round of the main draw), in New York 2016 with Billy Kolinske, in Hermosa Beach 2017 with Chase Frishman, then not again until Muskegon 2022 (on the Tour Series) with Andy Benesh... his last was in Chicago 2023 with Phil Dalhausser
- He began 2023 with Jake Dietrich, finishing in 9th place in Miami... then in New Orleans he and Travis Mewhirter finished in 7th place... he concluded the season with a 9th-place finish in Laguna Beach on the Tour Series alongside Evan Cory
- Drost is playing his 10th AVP event in Huntington Beach... in 2009 he played in the qualifier with Tony Pray, which was his 2nd AVP event ever... in 2022 on the Tour Series, he placed 2nd alongside Chase Frishman and was 5th last season with Phil Dalhausser

Huntington Beach – Men – #3 Tri Bourne / Chaim Schalk

Bourne / Schalk are playing together for the 7th time on the AVP Tour and 26th time overall

- The duo won in their AVP debut together in New Orleans 2023, placed 2nd in Huntington Beach, 3rd in Hermosa Beach, and 3rd in Atlanta... they ended 2023 with a 7th in Manhattan Beach and 5th in Chicago
- The duo had been the top seed in the first 3 AVP events they played
- Both players competed in the Olympics in beach volleyball but for different countries and different years
- Bourne all time is 10-6 when playing against Schalk, including 2-0 in AVP title matches (Fort Lauderdale 2022 and Manhattan Beach 2022)
- Entering Huntington Beach in 1 season together as partners on the AVP they have a 21-7 match record... they are 15-3 when winning the first set and 6-4 when losing the first set... they are 8-5 in three-set matches
- At least one of these players has been in the championship match in 8 of the last 14 AVP tournaments (excluding Tour Series)... Bourne has won 3 times and Schalk 2 times in that span

AVP Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	9/1-3/2023	Gold Series Chicago Open	5	5	2095	\$10,000.00
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	2	7	1990	\$6,400.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	3	3	2321	\$13,000.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	1	3	1990	\$6,000.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	1	2	2095	\$8,500.00
AVP	4/13-16/2023	Pro Series New Orleans Open	1	1	2205	\$14,000.00

Tri Bourne – age 34 – 6'5" – hometown Honolulu, Hawai'i – currently Honolulu, Hawai'i – Southern Cal

- This is Bourne's 48th AVP event with just his 4th different partner... he played 21 times with John Hyden, 19 with Trevor Crabb, 1 with Raffe Paulis and this will be his 7th with Chaim Schalk
- He has won 9 times (3 with John Hyden in 2014-15, 5 with Trevor Crabb in 2020-2022, and once in 2023 with Chaim Schalk), placed second 9 times, third 15 times, and fourth once
- He was the 2013 AVP Newcomer of the Year as well as Most Improved Player, in 2014 he was the Best Offensive Player and in 2022 he was the Most Valuable Player... twice he has been part of the AVP Team of the Year (in 2015 with John Hyden and in 2022 with Trevor Crabb)
- Entering Huntington Beach he has been in the semifinals in 34 of his 47 completed AVP events and has advanced to the championship match in 6 of his last 12 AVP tournaments
- He has won 4 of his titles in California, and the other 5 in 5 different states
- This weekend will mark his 6th AVP event in Huntington Beach and he has advanced to the semifinals each time... he was 2nd in both 2013 and 2014 with John Hyden, then won in 2015 with Hyden, then placed 3rd with Trevor Crabb in 2019, and was 2nd last year with Chaim Schalk... entering this weekend he has a 20-5 career record in Huntington Beach with the 5 losses coming against teams seeded 1st, 1st, 2nd, 4th and 5th (and 4 of the 5 losses were three-set matches)

Chaim Schalk – age 38 – 6'5" – hometown Red Deer, Alberta – currently Gardena, Calif. – Red Deer College / Trinity Western

- Schalk is playing in his 41st AVP tournament with his 8th different partner
- He has 3 wins (in Seattle 2019 with Jeremy Casebeer, Hermosa Beach 2022 with Theo Brunner and New Orleans 2023 with Tri Bourne), 7 second place finishes and 11 third place finishes
- Schalk has been to the semifinals in just over half his AVP events entering Huntington Beach (21 of 40 completed events), and has done so with 6 different partners
- He has competed in 10 different states while playing on the AVP Tour and has advanced to the semifinals in all 10 and to the finals in 7 different states
- This will be the 4th time that Schalk has played in Huntington Beach... he was 17th with Reid Priddy in 2017, 5th with Jeremy Casebeer in 2019, and 2nd with Tri Bourne in 2023

Huntington Beach – Men – #4 Hagen Smith / Logan Webber

Smith / Webber are playing together for the 7th time on the AVP Tour and the 15th time overall

- The duo reached the finals in each of their first 2 tournaments (both on the Tour Series in 2023), winning in Virginia Beach and then placing 2nd in Denver... in the 4 non-Tour Series events they had a best of 3rd in Manhattan Beach
- Entering Huntington Beach in 1 season as partners on the AVP (including Tour Series), they have a 18-9 match record... they are 16-1 when winning the first set and 2-8 when losing the first set... they are 6-3 in three-set matches

AVP Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	9/1-3/2023	Gold Series Chicago Open	9	7	1990	\$7,600.00
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	10	3	2321	\$12,000.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	12	9	1891	\$5,200.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	10	9	1621	\$2,000.00
AVP	6/30-7/2/2023	Tour Series Denver Open	1	2	1540	\$2,200.00
AVP	6/9-11/2023	Tour Series Virginia Beach Open	2	1	1621	\$3,800.00

Hagen Smith – age 29 – 6'0" – hometown Pacific Palisades, Calif. – currently Santa Monica, Calif. – UCLA

- Smith is playing in his 37th AVP tournament with 9 different partners
- He has 1 Tour Series win (in Virginia Beach 2023 with Logan Webber)
- Outside of the Tour Series, his career best is 3rd place, which he had in Chicago 2022 with Jake Dietrich and in Manhattan Beach 2023 with Logan Webber
- He began the 2023 season with a pair of events alongside Billy Kolinske, finishing 7th in Miami and 13th in New Orleans before playing the rest of the way with Logan Webber
- Smith played in the qualifier in each of his first 22 AVP events, but including Huntington Beach he has now been seeded directly into the main draw in his last 15 tournaments (including Tour Series)
- Smith made history in Hermosa Beach in 2022, as he and Jake Dietrich were seeded 16th and defeated the top seeds (Tri Bourne / Trevor Crabb) in the first round meeting
- This marks the 3rd time Smith is playing in Huntington Beach... he was 25th in 2019 with Steven Irvin and 17th in 2022 on the Tour Series with Jake Dietrich... he is looking for his first main draw match win in Huntington Beach

Logan Webber – age 28 – 6'7" – hometown Grand Rapids, Mich. – currently Grand Rapids, Mich. – Cincinnati Christian University

- Webber is playing in his 37th AVP tournament with 10 different partners
- He has 1 Tour Series win (in Virginia Beach 2023 with Hagen Smith)
- He has advanced to 5 AVP semifinals in his career... 4 of those came on the Tour Series (including in Huntington Beach 2022 when his only two losses were against top-seeded Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander), with the other coming in Manhattan Beach 2023 with Hagen Smith
- In his pro beach career he has played in 14 different states and in 11 different countries outside of the United States
- This marks the 4th time that he is playing an AVP event in Huntington Beach... in 2019 he was 13th with Christian Honer, and in 2022 on the Tour Series he was 3rd with Seain Cook, then he was 13th in 2023 with Evan Cory
- The 2019 Huntington Beach event marked the first ever main draw for Webber, and he got his first main draw match win against Chase Frishman and Piotr Marciniak

Huntington Beach – Men – #5 Cody Caldwell / Seain Cook

Caldwell / Cook are playing together for the 5th time on the AVP Tour

- The duo won in Waupaca 2023 in their debut (on the Tour Series)... they then placed 3rd in Manhattan Beach and 9th in Manhattan Beach before closing the 2023 season with another victory in Laguna Beach (also on the Tour Series)
- In 1 season together on the AVP (including Tour Series) they have a 17-4 match record... they are 16-1 when winning the first set (exception was against Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander in Chicago) and 1-3 when losing the first set... they are 4-2 in three-set matches
- Both of these players tied for the lead on the AVP Tour in tournaments played in 2023... each played 9 times, and join Billy Allen, Caleb Kwekel and Lev Priima for the most among all 395 male players to compete last season

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	10/13-15/2023	Tour Series Laguna Beach Open	1	1	1706	\$4,500.00
AVP	9/1-3/2023	Gold Series Chicago Open	8	9	1891	\$5,200.00
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	12	3	2321	\$12,000.00
AVP	7/5-7/2023	Tour Series Waupaca Open	1	1	1621	\$3,800.00

Cody Caldwell – age 31 – 6'6" – hometown Newport Beach, Calif. – currently Newport Beach, Calif. – Loyola-Chicago

- Caldwell is playing in his 30th career AVP tournament
- Caldwell has won 3 times, all on the Tour Series... he won in Atlantic City 2022 with David Lee, in Waupaca 2023 with Seain Cook, and in the 2023 season finale in Laguna Beach with Cook
- In addition to his 3 wins, he also has 3 other semifinals (all 3rd-place finishes)... while all 3 wins came on the Tour Series, all 3 3rd-place finishes came on the Pro Series
- He has had 14 different partners, with Seain Cook being the most frequent
- Last season his 9 AVP tournaments came with 4 different partners... he began the 2023 season with a 3rd place in both Miami and New Orleans alongside Chase Frishman
- Already in 2024 Caldwell has played 3 tournaments internationally on different tours, placing 3rd in New Zealand with Jake Urrutia in a Futures event and winning a NORCECA tournament in Cuba with Avery Drost
- This marks the 3rd time Caldwell is playing in Huntington Beach... he was 13th in 2022 (on the Tour Series) with David Lee and then 13th in 2023 with Chase Frishman
- In his career Caldwell has played AVP events in 11 different states and has also played internationally in 11 different countries

Seain Cook – age 32 – 6'4" – hometown Perth, Scotland – currently Hermosa Beach, Calif.

- Cook is playing in his 19th career AVP tournament... this is his 7th different partnership
- He has 2 wins, both on the Tour Series... he won in Waupaca 2023 with Cody Caldwell, and in the 2023 season finale in Laguna Beach with Caldwell
- Cook has advanced to 3 other AVP semifinals... 2 of those came on the Tour Series and then the last was in Manhattan Beach with Cody Caldwell
- This is the 3rd time Cook has played in Huntington Beach... in 2022 on the Tour Series he finished 3rd with Logan Webber and then in 2023 he placed 9th with Jake Dietrich
- Including Tour Series, Cook has advanced to the semifinals in 3 of his last 4 AVP tournaments held in the state of California

Huntington Beach – Men – #6 Alison Cerutti / Evan Cory

Alison / Cory are playing together for the 1st time on the AVP Tour

- These two players have played against each other twice, both times coming last season... in Hermosa Beach Alison (and Billy Allen) swept Cory (and Troy Field), then again in Chicago Alison (and Allen) swept Cory (and Field)

Alison Cerutti – age 38 – 6'8" – hometown Vitoria, Brazil. – currently Manhattan Beach, Calif.

- Alison is playing in his 9th AVP event with his 4th different partner
- His first AVP event came in 2009 in Glendale, Ariz, where he and Harley Marques placed second
- He didn't play on the AVP Tour again until this 2023, when he lost in the qualifier in Huntington Beach alongside Eric Beranek... then in his next 2 tournaments of the season he reached the finals both times with Billy Allen (finishing second in Virginia Beach on the Tour Series and winning in Denver on the Tour Series)
- In his short AVP career, he has only lost two matches when winning the first set (24-2 entering Huntington Beach)... he is 1-10 when losing the first set
- A three-time Olympian, Alison won a silver medal in 2012, won gold in 2016, and placed fifth in Tokyo
- On the Brazilian Tour, he has won 40 tournaments, finished second 21 times, and third 19 times (they play the 3rd-place match there)... he won 13 times with Bruno Schmidt and 12 times with Emanuel Rego
- He was a 6-time Best Attacker on the Brazilian Tour, and a 6-time Best Blocker
- This is the 2nd time Alison has played in Huntington Beach, as he finished in 17th place with Eric Beranek in 2023

Evan Cory – age 26 – 6'3" – hometown Metairie, La. – currently Metairie, La. – Lincoln Memorial University

- Cory is playing in his 31st career AVP tournament with his 13th different partner
- His career bests are a pair of 2nd-place finishes with Billy Kolinske in consecutive events... he was 2nd in Muskegon 2022 on the Tour Series and then again in Denver 2022 on the Tour Series
- Outside of the Tour Series he has placed 5th twice... the first time was in Atlanta 2022 with Billy Kolinske and then again in his home state in New Orleans 2023 with Logan Webber
- This is the 3rd time Cory has played in Huntington Beach... in 2022 on the Tour Series he placed 7th with Paul Lotman and in 2023 he was 13th with Logan Webber

Huntington Beach – Men – #7 Billy Allen / Paul Lotman

Allen / Lotman are playing together for the 1st time on the AVP Tour

- The two players are a combined 80 years old
- These two have played against each other 6 times in their history, and 4 times it went to a third set... Allen won the first 2 meetings (in 2021 and 2022), the Lotman responded with a pair of wins in 2022... in 2023 Allen won both meetings

Billy Allen – age 42 – 6'2" – hometown Fallbrook, Calif. – currently Berkeley, Calif. – Cal State Northridge

- This is Allen's 132nd AVP event with his 19 different partner
- He has 2 wins (in Seattle 2016 with Theo Brunner and in Seattle 2017 with Stafford Slick) plus one Tour Series win (in Denver 2023 with Alison Cerutti), 5 seconds and 12 thirds
- All of his wins have come in rainy places (not necessarily rainy during the tournament), as he won in Seattle 2016, in Seattle 2017 and in Denver 2023 on the Tour Series (which as of the tournament date had more rain year to date than Seattle)
- Including the Tour Series Allen has advanced to the semifinals in 6 of his last 11 AVP tournaments, and to the finals in 3 of his last 8 events
- Allen began the 2023 season with Andy Benesh in Miami, losing both matches 15-12 in the third set and finishing in 13th place... he then played twice with Troy Field, finishing 2nd in New Orleans and 7th in Huntington Beach... he concluded the year with Alison Cerutti, reaching the finals in a pair of Tour Series events as well as a 3rd-place in Hermosa Beach in their 6 tournaments together
- He has advanced to the semifinals on the AVP with 8 different partners and to the championship with 5 different ones (including Tour Series)
- Allen is playing in his 14th AVP tournament in Huntington Beach with his 10th different partner... his best finish here was a 3rd place in 2016 with Theo Brunner
- Allen made his pro beach debut in Huntington Beach in May 2004 with Ty Trambie... the duo was seeded 66th in the qualifier but advanced to the main draw before losing two matches to Olympians (first to Sean Rosenthal and then to Jose Loiola)... at the time that was the lowest seeded team (66th) to ever advance from an AVP qualifier, but the record stood just one week before being broken

Paul Lotman – age 38 – 6'7" – hometown Lakewood, Calif. – currently San Diego, Calif. – Long Beach State

- Lotman is playing in his 42nd career AVP tournament... this is his 14th different partnership
- Lotman has 1 win (Atlanta 2022 with Miles Partain)... in that event he had three-set wins over the #3 seed (twice) as well as the #1 seed (in the championship match)
- He has played in a total of 7 semifinals, and all 7 have come alongside Miles Partain... he has placed 2nd once (in Phoenix 2022)
- Including Huntington Beach Lotman has played 14 times with Miles Partain and the other 28 with 13 different partners... 10 of his 11 best finishes on the AVP Tour have come with Partain
- Including the Tour Series, Lotman has won the first match of an AVP tournament in 15 of his last 18 tournaments entering Huntington Beach
- This marks the 5th tournament Lotman has ever played in Huntington Beach... he was 21st in 2017 with Alejandro Parra, 25th in 2019 with Adam Roberts, 7th in 2022 on the Tour Series with Evan Cory, and 7th in 2023 with Tim Bomgren

Huntington Beach – Men – #8 Tim Bomgren / Troy Field

Bomgren / Field are playing together for the 12th time on the AVP Tour

- The duo has reunited as they were partners in 2019 and 2020 before going their separate ways... their partnership began in Huntington Beach 2019 and in their first match together they defeated a pair of Olympians, Sean Rosenthal and Ricardo Santos
- They advanced to the semifinals in each of their first 3 tournaments together, with a 2nd-place finish in New York City 2019
- Entering Huntington Beach in 2 seasons together on the AVP (including qualifiers) they have a 28-19 match record... they are 22-2 when winning the first set and 6-17 when losing the first set... they are 10-4 in three-set matches
- The two players had faced each other one time before originally becoming partners (Bomgren won in a match that Field and Chase Frishman had to forfeit in the middle of the second set)... after they split they met 3 times on the court, all in 2023 and all went 3 sets, with Bomgren winning the first meeting and Field the last 2

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	7/31-8/2/2020	The Porsche Cup	Q5	9	0	\$4,000.00
AVP	7/24-26/2020	The Wilson Cup	Q6	9	0	\$4,000.00
AVP	7/17-19/2020	The Monster Hydro Cup	Q4	11	0	\$3,500.00
AVP	9/19-22/2019	Hawaii Open	5	7	518	\$5,000.00
AVP	8/29-9/1/2019	Gold Series Championships	5	17	418	\$1,300.00
AVP	8/15-18/2019	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	3	5	990	\$9,000.00
AVP	7/25-28/2019	Hermosa Beach Open	1	5	630	\$6,200.00
AVP	6/20-23/2019	Seattle Open	2	5	450	\$5,200.00
AVP	6/6-9/2019	Gold Series NYC Open	7	2	1408	\$22,000.00
AVP	5/16-19/2019	Austin Open	5	3	540	\$7,000.00
AVP	5/2-5/2019	Huntington Beach Open	7	3	756	\$8,400.00

Tim Bomgren – age 36 – 6’4” – hometown Woodbury, Minn. – currently Minneapolis, Minn. – Wisconsin-Eau Claire

- Bomgren is playing in his 67th career AVP tournament
- He has had 10 different partners, with his brother Brian being the most frequent... he has reached a title match with 4 different players
- Bomgren has 1 win (Virginia Beach 2022 on the Tour Series with Piotr Marciniak), 3 seconds and 4 thirds... after reaching the semifinals in New York in 2019, he then played in 17 tournaments with a best of 5th place 4 times before winning in Virginia Beach 2022 on the Tour Series
- 6 of his 8 AVP semifinals came in a two-year span (2018-19)... the outliers were a 3rd place in 2015 and a win in 2022 on the Tour Series
- This marks the 9th time Bomgren is playing in Huntington Beach... he played 5 times with his brother Brian (17th in 2013, 9th in 2014, 7th in 2015, 5th in 2016 and 7th in 2017), was 3rd in 2019 with Troy Field, 17th in 2022 with Piotr Marciniak and 7th in 2023 with Paul Lotman

Troy Field – age 30 – 6’4” – hometown Laguna Beach, Calif. – currently Laguna Beach, Calif. – Saddleback Community College

- Field is playing in his 40th AVP event with 13 different partners
- He has been in the semifinals 8 times, including second-place finishes in New York 2019 with Tim Bomgren, in Austin 2022 with Chase Budinger, and in New Orleans 2023 with Billy Allen
- Field has had 13 total finishes of 5th or better, and they all came in 2019, 2022 and 2023
- This is the 3rd time he has played in Huntington Beach on the AVP Tour... he was 3rd in 2019 with Tim Bomgren and 7th in 2023 with Billy Allen

Huntington Beach – Men – #9 Djordje Klasnic / Brian Miller

Djordje / Miller are playing together for the 3rd time on the AVP Tour

- The duo advanced from the qualifier in New Orleans 2023 by sweeping all 3 opponents, then qualified in Huntington Beach 2023 by again sweeping all 3 opponents
- They finished 7th in New Orleans 2023 after upsetting the 7th and 4th seeds in the tournament... all 4 of their main draw matches in New Orleans came against teams seeded 9th or better and all 4 went to a third set... in Huntington Beach 2023 their 2 losses were to teams seeded 2nd and 4th
- Entering Huntington Beach together in 1 season on the AVP (including qualifiers) they have a 9-4 match record... they are 7-1 when winning the first set and 2-3 when losing the first set... they are 2-2 in three-set matches

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	15, Q7	9	1621	\$2,000.00
AVP	4/13-16/2023	Pro Series New Orleans Open	15, Q6	7	1706	\$3,000.00

Djordje Klasnic (goes by DJ) – age 28 - 6'4" – hometown Novi Sad, Serbia – currently Los Angeles County, Calif.

- This is Klasnic's 8th AVP event with 5 different partners
- His career best is a 3rd place with Billy Kolinske in Laguna Beach 2023 on the Tour Series
- Both of his parents were professional volleyball players and they now have their own club and his two older sisters both play volleyball
- When he represented Serbia in the FIVB U-19 World Championships in Cyprus (at the age of 17), it marked the first time he had ever flown on a plane
- He won a bronze medal in a CEV Satellite event in 2017, the first medal ever won by Serbia on that tour
- He made his AVP debut in Huntington Beach 2022 on the Tour Series, finishing in 17th place with Ed Ratledge, and all 3 matches went to a 3rd set
- This is the 3rd time Klasnic has played in Huntington Beach, as he was 17th in 2022 on the Tour Series with Ed Ratledge and 9th in 2023 with Brian Miller

Brian Miller – age 30 – 6'8" – hometown Mercer Island, Wash. – currently San Diego, Calif. – Washington State

- Miller is playing in his 33rd AVP tournament with 14 different partners
- His career best is 5th, which he did with Bryce Mayer in Virginia Beach 2023 on the Tour Series after first advancing through the qualifier... he has also had three 7th-place finishes... his best 4 finishes have come with 3 different partners
- This is the 4th time he has played on the AVP Tour in Huntington Beach, having placed 17th with Jon Ferrari in 2019, 9th in 2022 on the Tour Series with Raffe Paulis, and 9th in 2023 with Djordje Klasnic
- Miller has played one international event in his career, and it was with Brett Ryan in 2018 in Huntington Beach (finished 57th)

Huntington Beach – Men – #10 Timothy Brewster / Kyle Friend

Brewster / Friend are playing together for the 19th time on the AVP Tour and 31st time overall

- The duo's best finish was 2nd in Waupaca 2022 on the Tour Series... they also have 4 third-place finishes including in Tavares to end the 2022 AVP season and in New Orleans 2023
- By defeating Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander in the first round in Atlanta 2023, they became the lowest seeded team to beat Crabb since Austin 2019 (lost to 16th-seeded Paul Lotman / Gabriel Ospina in the first round)
- Despite just beginning their partnership in July 2022, they have played the most events together of any other duo competing here
- Entering Huntington Beach the duo (including Tour Series) has a 34-34 match record... they are 23-10 when winning the first set and 10-23 when losing the first set and 0-1 in one-set matches with one forfeit win... they are 18-16 in three-set matches... they have lost their last 11 matches when losing the first set (last win was in New Orleans in April 2023 against Avery Drost / Travis Mewhirter)

AVP Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	10/13-15/2023	Tour Series Laguna Beach Open	4	9	1254	\$200.00
AVP	9/1-3/2023	Gold Series Chicago Open	11	13	1706	\$4,000.00
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	7	17	1540	\$1,200.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	6	9	1891	\$5,200.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	6	9	1621	\$2,000.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	8	9	1621	\$2,000.00
AVP	4/13-16/2023	Pro Series New Orleans Open	2	3	1990	\$6,000.00
AVP	3/16-19/2023	Pro Series Miami Open	5	5	1796	\$4,200.00
AVP	12/2-4/2022	Central Florida Open	5	3	1891	\$6,000.00
AVP	11/11-13/2022	Huntington Beach Open	3	5	1540	\$1,500.00
AVP	9/2-4/2022	Chicago Open	9	5	1891	\$10,000.00
AVP	8/26-28/2022	Virginia Beach Open	1	3	1706	\$2,500.00
AVP	8/18-21/2022	Manhattan Beach Open	9	25	1132	\$650.00
AVP	8/5-7/2022	Atlanta Open	13	7	1796	\$7,600.00
AVP	7/29-31/2022	Fort Lauderdale Open	12	13	1390	\$1,400.00
AVP	7/22-24/2022	Atlantic City Open	5	3	1706	\$2,500.00
AVP	7/7-9/2022	Waupaca Open	6	2	1796	\$5,000.00
AVP	7/1-3/2022	Denver Open	14	7	1463	\$1,000.00

Timothy Brewster – age 24 – 6'0" – hometown Los Angeles, Calif. – currently Manhattan Beach, Calif. – UCLA / Loyola Marymount

- This is Brewster's 34th AVP event with 10 different partners... his first came when he was 16 years old (lost in the 2016 Manhattan Beach qualifier)
- His career best is a second place finish (in Waupaca 2022 on the Tour Series with Friend), and 4 thirds
- Including Huntington Beach, Brewster has played 19 tournaments with Kyle Friend and the other 15 with 9 different partners... he had never played in an AVP main draw prior to 2022... in his first 15 AVP events, he had a best of 17th place... he has had his 16 best career finishes with Friend
- This is his 3rd AVP event in Huntington Beach... he was 5th in 2022 on the Tour Series with Kyle Friend and 9th in 2023... he had also played in an international event here in 2018 (lost in country quota)

Kyle Friend – age 35 – 6'5" – hometown Boca Raton, Fla. – currently Newport Beach, Calif. – Long Beach State

- Friend is playing in his 42nd AVP Tournament with 7 different partners
- His career best is a second place finish (in Waupaca 2022 on the Tour Series with Brewster), and 4 thirds
- In his first 23 AVP tournaments, Friend had a best of 9th four times... since partnering with Brewster he surpassed that 10 times
- Friend has partnered with two former indoor Olympians (Paul Lotman and David Lee) and lived with a beach Olympian (April Ross)
- This is the 4th time he has played in Huntington Beach... he was 17th with Duncan Budinger in 2019, 5th with Timothy Brewster in 2022 on the Tour Series, and 9th with Brewster in 2023

Huntington Beach – Men – #15 (Q7) Jordan Hoppe / James Shaw

Hoppe / Shaw are playing together for the 3rd time on the AVP Tour and the 7th time overall

- The duo made their AVP debut in Manhattan Beach 2023, winning 3 qualifier matches as the 52nd seed before losing in the match to get into the main draw... then in the 2023 season finale in Laguna Beach on the Tour Series they won 3 qualifier matches (including 2 upsets) to advance to the main draw... they upset 2 more teams in the main draw to finish in 5th place
- In the Huntington Beach 2024 qualifier they swept all 3 opponents to advance to the main draw, including defeating #2 Chase Frishman / Billy Kolinske
- Entering the Huntington Beach main draw together in 2 seasons on the AVP (including qualifiers) they have an 11-3 match record... they are 11-1 when winning the first set and 0-2 when losing the first set... they are 0-2 in three-set matches

AVP Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	10/13-15/2023	Tour Series Laguna Beach Open	16, Q12	5	1390	\$600.00
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	Q52	33	1022	\$0.00

Jordan Hoppe – age 27 - 6'5" – hometown Glendale, Wisc. – currently Corona del Mar, Calif. – Orange Coast College / Concordia

- This is Hoppe's 13th AVP event with 5 different partners
- His career best is a 5th place , which he has done 3 times... he was 5th in Denver 2023 on the Tour Series with Caleb Kwekel, 5th in Waupaca 2023 on the Tour Series with Kwekel, and 5th in Laguna Beach 2023 on the Tour Series with James Shaw
- In 2023 he played 8 AVP tournaments (including Tour Series)... he scored 1,366 points while allowing 1,365 points
- In consecutive events last season he went from being seeded 3rd (in Waupaca on the Tour Series) to being seeded 52nd in the qualifier (behind 24 main draw teams, so 76th overall) in Manhattan Beach

James Shaw – age 30 – 6'8" – hometown Woodside, Calif. – currently Sebastopol, Calif. – Stanford

- Shaw is playing in his 3rd AVP tournament, all with Hoppe
- His career best is 5th, which he did with Jordan Hoppe in Laguna Beach 2023 on the Tour Series
- Huntington Beach is the 3rd different city (all within California) that Shaw has played on the AVP Tour... he has also played 3 World Tour events in 3 different countries (Australia, New Zealand and China) as well as a NORCECA event in El Salvador

