

## Atlanta – Stadium Court Notes – Friday, Aug. 13, 2021 – Match 4

### 12:15 pm – #2 Taylor Crabb / Jake Gibb vs. #7 Miles Evans / Ricardo Santos

#### Head to Head

- This is the 2nd meeting between the teams, Crabb / Gibb winning 21-11, 21-16 in Long Beach last year

**Crabb / Gibb** are playing together for the 22nd time on the AVP Tour and for the 55th time overall... The pair has won 8 AVP titles and 1 FIVB title

- Last season the pair had an 8-4 match record on the AVP, with 3 of the losses coming against Phil Dalhausser / Nick Lucena
- In Austin 2019 Crabb / Gibb lost their first match of an AVP tournament (to Paul Lotman / Gabriel Ospina, who were seeded 25th in the qualifier and 16th in the main draw) 21-18, 21-23, 13-15... Crabb and Gibb rebounded to win 6 straight matches to win the title

#### Taylor Crabb – age 29 – 6'0" – hometown Honolulu – currently Redondo Beach, Calif. – Long Beach State

- This is Crabb's 38th AVP event, and he has won 8 AVP titles plus 1 FIVB win (all with Gibb)... he has advance to the semifinals 28 times in his career (76% of the tournaments)
- Entering Atlanta, Crabb has reached the semifinals in 27 of his last 30 AVP tournaments
- In 2020, Crabb tied for the Tour lead in digs per set (5.5) and was 5th in hitting percentage (.422)

#### Jake Gibb – age 45 – 6'7" – hometown Bountiful, Utah – currently Huntington Beach, Calif. – Utah

- Gibb is playing in his 163rd AVP Tournament, with 34 AVP wins plus 7 FIVB wins... Gibb has won with 5 different partners... He is the only player who has won multiple AVP titles in each of the last 7 seasons from 2013 to 2019
- In 2020, Gibb was 2nd on the Tour in blocks per set (1.9) and in aces (0.8)
- Gibb has played in Atlanta 3 times previously, all with Sean Rosenthal... he finished 7th in 2006 then had wins in both 2007 and 2008... he has a 14-4 match record in Atlanta

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**Evans / Ricardo** are playing together for the 4th time on the AVP Tour... after not qualifying in their first tournament together, the duo is now playing in their 3rd straight main draw

- A win in this match will give the duo their best finish as partners
- In their partnership Evans / Ricardo are 1-4 in AVP main draw matches, with the win coming this morning against #10 Skylar del Sol / Ed Ratledge
- The meeting against Crabb / Gibb in Long Beach last year (in the 2nd of 3 events in the bubble) marked the first main draw match for Evans / Ricardo as partners

#### Miles Evans – age 31 – 6'4" – hometown Santa Barbara, Calif. – currently Santa Barbara, Calif. – Santa Barbara City College

- This is Evans' 16th AVP event, and he has played with 9 different partners (the 4 with Ricardo ties for the most with any player along with Ryan Doherty)
- Evans had his career best in Hermosa Beach 2019 with Ryan Doherty, reaching the championship match before losing in three sets to Chase Budinger / Casey Patterson

#### Ricardo Santos – age 46 – hometown Salvador, Brazil – currently Orlando, Fla.

- This is Ricardo's 20th AVP event, and he has reached the semifinals 5 times (finished in 3rd place each time)
- Ricardo has 55 FIVB World Tour victories, the 2nd most in history (Emanuel Rego has 76)