

Atlanta – Stadium Court Notes – Saturday, Aug. 14, 2021 – Match 5

1:20 pm – #7 Miles Evans / Ricardo Santos vs. #13 (Q1) Avery Drost / Miles Partain

Head to Head

- This is the first meeting between the teams
- Drost and Evans have split their 4 previous meetings, with each winning in a sweep and each winning in a three-set match
- Ricardo defeated Drost 21-15, 25-23 in a Long Beach qualifier in their only prior meeting
- In the battle of Miles, Evans won in the only previous meeting (21-14, 21-15 in Manhattan Beach 2019)
 - In the bvbinfo.net database of 11,498 men's players, there are just 3 with the first name Miles... the other one, Miles Sattelmeier played in one qualifier in Hermosa Beach in 2002
- Ricardo and Partain met once before, in 2018 on the p1440 Tour, and Ricardo won 21-13, 21-12

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 a tied for their best finish as partners
- In their partnership Evans / Ricardo are 1-5 in AVP main draw matches, with the win coming Friday 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)

Drost / Partain are playing together for the 1st time on the AVP Tour

- On Thursday 2 of their 3 qualifier matches went to a third set
- In Hermosa Beach 2017, Drost eliminated Partain in what was Partain's 2nd AVP event ever and 1st main draw (Partain finished in 17th place)

Avery Drost – age 34 – 6'5" – hometown Redlands, Calif. – currently Redondo Beach, Calif. – Westmont College

- This is Drost's 66th AVP tournament, with a best of 3rd place 4 times, which he has done with 3 different partners
- He has played with 23 different partners on the AVP Tour... he played 12 events with Chase Frishman, but no more than 5 times with any other partner

Miles Partain – age 19 – 6'2" – hometown Pacific Palisades, Calif. – currently Pacific Palisades, Calif. – UCLA

- This is Partain's 18th AVP event, with a best of 5th place in Chicago 2019 with Paul Lotman
- Partain played 7 times with his older brother Marcus, and his other 11 events have come while playing with 7 different partners (none more than 3 times each)