

## Austin – May 19, 2019 – Men’s Championship Notes

### 2:00 pm – #1 Taylor Crabb / Jake Gibb vs. #4 Jeremy Casebeer / Chaim Schalk

**Crabb / Gibb** are playing for 14th time on AVP Tour and 32nd time overall (5 wins on AVP, including each of the last 2 AVP open events – Chicago 2018 and Huntington Beach 2019)

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	5/2-5/2019	Huntington Beach Open	1	1	1050	\$20,000.00
AVP	9/15-16/2018	Hawaii Invitational	5	5	0	\$6,000.00
AVP	8/30-9/2/2018	AVP Gold Series The Championships	2	1	1350	\$25,000.00
AVP	8/16-19/2018	AVP Gold Series Manhattan Beach	3	2	1152	\$17,500.00
AVP	7/26-29/2018	AVP Hermosa Beach	2	3	540	\$7,000.00
AVP	6/21-24/2018	AVP Seattle	3	1	750	\$15,000.00
AVP	6/7-10/2018	AVP Gold Series NYC	3	2	896	\$13,000.00

- In 2017 Crabb and Gibb were partners for 6 AVP events (3rd, 1st in New York, 3rd, 1st in Hermosa Beach, 5th, 5th)

#### **Crabb / Gibb** Austin Matches:

Fri, 5/17/2019	Winner 1	Paul Lotman / Gabriel Ospina (16, Q25)	Lost 21-18, 21-23, 13-15	1:13
Fri, 5/17/2019	Contender 1	Mark Burik / Ian Satterfield (8)	Won 21-19, 21-18	0:41
Sat, 5/18/2019	Contender 2	Avery Drost / Eric Zaun (6)	Won 21-16, 21-13	0:38
Sat, 5/18/2019	Contender 3	Chase Frishman / Piotr Marciniak (7)	Won 21-17, 19-21, 15-10	1:05
Sat, 5/18/2019	Contender 4	Sean Rosenthal / Ricardo Santos (9)	Won 19-21, 21-18, 15-12	1:14
Sun, 5/19/2019	Semi-Finals	Phil Dalhausser / Nick Lucena (2)	Won 16-21, 21-19, 15-13	1:15

2019 Season Stats								<u>Service</u>
<u>Player</u>	<u>Attacks</u>	<u>Kills</u>	<u>Errors</u>	<u>Hit %</u>	<u>Blocks</u>	<u>Digs</u>	<u>Aces</u>	<u>Errors</u>
<b>Taylor Crabb</b>	360	220	49	.475	1	181	14	32
<b>Jake Gibb</b>	372	205	34	.460	52	30	24	30

- This year the duo is 11-2 on the AVP (6-1 in three-set matches)... Last season the pair had a 23-6 match record on the AVP
- In their first 8 AVP semifinals, the duo went undefeated in reaching the semifinals... this marks the 3rd straight time they had to come through the contender’s bracket to reach the semis (Chicago 2018, Huntington Beach 2019 and now Austin)
- Became just the 3rd team seeded #1 to lose in the first round to a #16 seed (others were Seattle 2016 and New York 2017)

#### **Taylor Crabb** – age 27 – 6’0” – hometown Honolulu – currently Redondo Beach, Calif. – Long Beach State

- This is Crabb’s 30th AVP event, and he has won 5 AVP titles (all with Gibb) ... He is 0-4 in finals with partners other than Gibb
- Crabb has reached the semifinals in 20 of his previous 23 AVP tournaments
- Crabb reached the championship match in his only previous event in Austin (2018 with Tim Bomgren)

#### **Jake Gibb** – age 43 – 6’7” – hometown Bountiful, Utah – currently Huntington Beach, Calif. – Utah

- Gibb is playing in his 155th AVP Tournament, with 31 AVP wins (plus 6 FIVB wins)... Gibb has won at least one title with 5 different partners... He has won multiple AVP titles in each of the last 6 seasons, and is the only player who can make that claim
- Gibb has advanced to the title match in all 3 of his trips to Austin (getting his first career win in 2004 and finishing 2nd in 2005)
- Gibb is 31-30 in AVP championship matches (13-3 with Casey Patterson, 8-19 with Sean Rosenthal, 4-2 with Stein Metzger, 5-2 with Taylor Crabb, 1-1 with Adam Jewell and 0-3 in individual events)

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AVP	5/2-5/2019	Huntington Beach Open	4	5	630	\$6,200.00

Casebeer / Schalk Austin Matches:

Fri, 5/17/2019	Winner 1	Eric Beranek / Marty Lorenz (13, Q2)	Won 21-15, 21-16	0:47
Fri, 5/17/2019	Winner 2	Tim Bomgren / Troy Field (5)	Won 21-19, 21-14	0:37
Sat, 5/18/2019	Winner 3	Sean Rosenthal / Ricardo Santos (9)	Won 21-15, 21-15	0:44
Sun, 5/19/2019	Semi-Finals	Tim Bomgren / Troy Field (5)	Won 21-14, 21-12	0:42

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Jeremy Casebeer	210	119	31	.419	37	21	17	42	
Chaim Schalk	180	105	16	.494	1	73	3	14	

- Duo is playing together for the 2nd time on the AVP Tour and for the 2nd time overall... they have a 6-2 match record together (0-1 in three-set matches)... the Austin finals will be their first match against a team seeded 4th or better
- Jeremy Casebeer / Chaim Schalk have yet to lose a set in Austin (8-0)... no team has won an AVP title without dropping a single set since Austin in 2018, when Phil Dalhausser / Nick Lucena went 10-0 in sets

Jeremy Casebeer – age 30 – 6’5” – hometown Santa Barbara, Calif. – currently Santa Barbara, Calif. – UCLA

- This is Casebeer’s 46th AVP event, and he has a best of 2nd (New York 2016 with Sean Rosenthal)
- In 2018 Casebeer and his partner Reid Priddy were 2 of just 8 players to reach at least 4 semifinals

Chaim Schalk – age 33 – 6’5” – hometown Red Deer, Alberta, Canada – currently Gardena, Calif. – Trinity Western / Red Deer College

- Schalk is playing in his 14th AVP Tournament, with a best of 2nd (Chicago 2018 with Tim Bomgren)

### General AVP Championship Notes

- 16 of the last 18 AVP championships have been won by the team winning the first set... the 2 exceptions were both in Manhattan Beach (2017 and 2018)
- The higher (better) seeded team has won each of the last 5 AVP title matches
- From 2001 through Huntington Beach (when we had match results so can tell if a team came through contender's or not), of the 168 men’s titles, 43 of the winning teams came through contender's (125 through winner's), including each of the last 3 and 4 of the past 5 tournaments.
- In the season opening tournament in Huntington Beach, Jake Gibb joined Karch Kiraly and John Hyden as the only players to ever win an AVP title at the age of 43 or older... From the Cincinnati event in September 2015 through Austin, there have been 27 AVP events and 13 of the men’s titles have been won by a player age 40 or older... In those 27 championship matches, at least one player has been over the age of 40 a total of 19 times... Gibb is the only Austin semifinalist who is over 40 years old
- Beginning with Austin 2018, 5 of the last 9 AVP titles have gone to the team seeded #1 in the event... in that span the #1 seed is 5-1 in championship matches

Head to Head Results – 1st meeting between the teams