Chicago - Men - #1 Andy Benesh / Miles Partain

Benesh / Partain are playing together for the 3rd time on the AVP and 13th time overall

- Their AVP debut as a team came in Huntington Beach, and they rebounded from a third-round loss to win the title... then in Atlanta the duo won again
- Their 5th-place in Hamburg two weeks ago ended a streak of reaching the semifinals in 7 straight events (including AVP and international), winning 2 AVP titles and 3 medals in that span... the duo won gold in Gstaad after twice defeating Norway's Anders Mol / Christian Sorum, becoming just the 2nd team to defeat the defending Olympic, World Championship and World Tour Finals champions twice in the same event (Netherlands' Alexander Brouwer / Robert Meeuwsen in Rosarito, Mexico in March 2022)
- In each of their first 6 international tournaments they had to first play in the qualifier... they have a match record of 45-13 internationally, and 6 of their 13 losses have come to teams seeded either first or second
- In 1 season together on the AVP they have a 10-1 match record... they are 8-1 when winning the first set and 2-0 when losing the first set... they are 3-1 in three-set matches

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
FIVB	8/16-20/2023	Elite16 Hamburg	2	5	760	US\$8,000.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	1	1	2572	\$30,000.00
FIVB	7/26-30/2023	Elite16 Montréal	2	2	1100	\$20,000.00
FIVB	7/5-9/2023	Elite16 Gstaad	9	1	1200	\$30,000.00
NORCECA	6/7-8/2023	BV World Championship Qualifier	1	4	0	US\$0.00
FIVB	5/31-6/4/2023	Elite16 Ostrava	13, Q3	3	1000	\$14,000.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	5	1	2205	\$14,000.00
FIVB	4/13-16/2023	Challenge Saquarema	8, Q2	4	680	\$6,000.00
FIVB	4/6-9/2023	Challenge Itapema	13, Q3	5	600	\$3,750.00
FIVB	10/27-30/2022	Dubai 2nd Challenge	4, Q1	9	460	\$2,500.00
FIVB	10/22-25/2022	Dubai 1st Challenge	15, Q3	1	800	\$10,000.00
FIVB	10/13-16/2022	Maldives Challenge	22, Q9	5	600	\$3,750.00

Andy Benesh - age 28 - 6'9" - hometown Rancho Palos Verdes, Calif. - currently Palos Verdes Peninsula, Calif. - USC

- Benesh is playing in his 32nd career AVP tournament with 10 different partners
- Benesh has won 3 times on the AVP Tour (in the 2022 season opener in Austin with Phil Dalhausser, in Huntington Beach 2023 with Miles Partain and in Atlanta 2023 with Partain) as well as once on the Tour Series (in Denver 2022 with Miles Evans)
- In 8 of his last 15 AVP tournaments, Benesh has reached the semifinals... prior to that stretch he had never made a semifinal in his first 16 tournaments
- Benesh began 2023 playing with Billy Allen in Miami, losing both matches 15-12 in the third set and finishing in 13th place
- This marks the 4th time he has ever played in Chicago, placing 25th with Adam Roberts in 2019, 3rd with Billy Allen in 2021 and 9th with Miles Evans in 2022

Miles Partain - age 21 - 6'2" - hometown Pacific Palisades, Calif. - currently Pacific Palisades, Calif. - UCLA

- Partain is playing in his 31st AVP tournament with 9 different partners... he has played 13 times with Lotman and 7 times with his brother Marcus Partain, while the other 11 events came with 7 different partners (including Chicago)
- Partain has won 3 times on the AVP Tour (in Atlanta 2022 with Paul Lotman, in Huntington Beach 2023 with Andy Benesh, and in Atlanta 2023 with Benesh)
- Partain was the 2019 AVP Rookie of the Year, and the both the Most Improved Player as well as Best Offensive Player in 2022
- In his first 19 AVP tournaments, he had a best of 5th place once... in his last 11 events, he has finished no lower than 5th place and has been in the semifinals 9 times (including Tour Series)

- In Atlanta 2022 he became just the second male to win an AVP title before turning 21 years old (Scott Ayakatubby did it twice in 1984)
- This will be the 6th time he has played in Chicago, the most of any city... he was 25th with his brother Marcus in 2017, then played the last 4 years with Paul Lotman (33rd in 2018, 5th in 2019, 3rd in 2021, 5th in 2022)

Chicago - Men - #2 Theo Brunner / Trevor Crabb

Brunner / Trevor Crabb are playing together for the 5th time on the AVP and the 13th time overall

- In their AVP debut as partners, they finished in 3rd place in Huntington Beach 2023, they won in Hermosa Beach, then were 3rd in Atlanta
- Entering Chicago in 1 season together on the AVP, they have an 16-4 match record... they are 13-1 when winning the first set and 3-3 when losing the first set... they are 6-2 in three-set matches
- This is their 4th AVP event together and they have been seeded 2nd all 4 times
- 6 of their 20 matches entering Chicago have come against Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander (5-1 in those matches) and will be on the same side of the bracket this weekend

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	1	2	2444	\$21,000.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	2	3	2321	\$13,000.00
FIVB	7/20-23/2023	Challenge Edmonton	4	17	360	\$1,500.00
FIVB	7/13-16/2023	Challenge Portugal	12, Q3	1	800	\$10,000.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	2	1	2205	\$14,000.00
FIVB	6/15-18/2023	Challenge Jurmala	16	5	600	\$3,750.00
FIVB	5/31-6/4/2023	Elite16 Ostrava	16, Q12	13	460	\$5,000.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	2	3	1990	\$6,000.00
FIVB	4/13-16/2023	Challenge Saquarema	9	5	600	\$3,750.00
FIVB	4/6-9/2023	Challenge Itapema	6	19	300	\$1,000.00
FIVB	3/22-26/2023	Elite16 Tepic	14, Q6	13	460	\$5,000.00
FIVB	3/16-19/2023	La Paz Challenge	9	5	600	\$3,750.00

Theo Brunner - age 38 - 6'7" - hometown Ridgefield, Ct. - currently Torrance, Calif. - California-Santa Barbara

- This is Brunner's 69th AVP event with 16 different partners
- He has 5 wins with 5 different partners... in Huntington Beach 2013 he won with Nick Lucena... in Seattle 2016 he won with Billy Allen... in Hermosa Beach 2018 he won with John Hyden... in Hermosa Beach 2022 he won with Chaim Schalk... in Hermosa Beach 2023 he won with Trevor Crabb
- He is a 3-time Best Blocker on the AVP Tour (2013, 2014 and 2022)
- 7 of his partners have been Olympians (either beach or indoors)... of his 29 AVP semifinals entering Chicago, 23 of them came when partnering with an Olympian (only exceptions were a win and a 3rd place alongside Billy Allen, and his 4 events this season with Trevor Crabb)
- This will be the 7th time Brunner has played in Chicago, with his 6th different partner... he was 13th with Aaron Mansfield in 2009, 5th with Billy Allen in 2016, 7th with Casey Patterson in 2017, 7th with John Hyden in 2019, 7th with Chaim Schalk in 2021, 9th with Schalk in 2022

<u>Trevor Crabb - age 33 - 6'4" - hometown Honolulu, Hawai'i - currently Redondo Beach, Calif. - Puget Sound / Long Beach State</u>

- Crabb is playing in his 61st AVP tournament with 10 different partners
- He has won 7 AVP titles (won in Manhattan Beach 2019 with Reid Priddy, then won 5 times with Tri Bourne, in Long Beach 2020, Manhattan Beach 2021, Fort Lauderdale 2021, Manhattan Beach 2022 and Chicago 2022 before winning in Hermosa Beach 2023 with Theo Brunner)
- He was the AVP's 2014 Newcomer of the Year and a part of the Team of the Year in 2022 (with Tri Bourne)
- He has advanced to 33 AVP semifinals in his career, doing so with 7 different partners... entering Chicago Crabb has been in the semifinals in each of his last 7 AVP tournaments
- Crabb is playing in Chicago for the 8th time (9th in 2015 with Taylor Crabb, 3rd in 2016 with Taylor Crabb, 5th in 2017 with Sean Rosenthal, 5th in 2018 with Tri Bourne, 7th in 2019 with Reid Priddy, 2nd in 2021 with Bourne, and 1st in 2022 with Bourne)... his first 8 events here all came with an Olympian or his brother

Chicago - Men - #3 Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander

Taylor Crabb / Sander are playing together for the 15th time on the AVP Tour and 25th 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 10 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 53-18 in matches, 40-5 when winning the first set, 13-12 when losing the first set... they are 0-1 in one-set matches and 18-12 in three-set matches (1-4 in the last 5)
- They began their partnership with an 11-3 match record, but then went 5-5... since that point they have gone 37-10 entering Chicago... of their 18 match losses, 15 have come to teams seeded 1st or 2nd

AVP Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
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 31 - 6'0" - hometown Honolulu, Hawai'i - currently Redondo Beach, Calif. - Long Beach State

- This is Taylor Crabb's 57th AVP event with 7 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 team lead last year with 3
- He is a 4-time AVP Best Defensive Player (2016, 2017, 2019, 2022), 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 56 AVP tournaments (73% of the events)
- This will be the 8th time he has played in Chicago (finished 9th in 2015 and 3rd in 2016 with Trevor Cratbb; 5th in 2017, 1st in 2018, 1st in 2019 and 5th in 2021 with Jake Gibb; and 2nd in 2022 with Taylor Sander)
- He has played in 12 states in his AVP career (including Tour Series)... he has been in the championship match in 9 different states... the only ones without a finals appearance are Georgia (3 events), Ohio (one event) and Virginia (one Tour Series event)

Taylor Sander - age 31 - 6'5" - hometown Corona, Calif. - currently Huntington Beach, Calif. - Brigham Young

- Sander is playing in his 16th AVP event (15 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 14 AVP events entering Chicago
- Sander, a two-time indoor Olympian, is 15-11 in AVP matches with at least one Olympian (indoors or beach) on the opposing team
- In his short AVP career, Sander has lost 20 matches on the AVP tour (entering Chicago), and 15 of those
 were to teams seeded higher than him (has been upset just 3 times, to #13 Timothy Brewster / Kyle
 Friend in Atlanta, to #18 Gage Basey / Lars Basey in Denver on the Tour Series and to \$5 Chase Budinger /
 Miles Evans in Atlanta)

Chicago - Men - #4 Chase Budinger / Miles Evans

Budinger / Evans are playing together for the 6th time on the AVP Tour and 13th time overall

- The duo finished 2nd in the AVP debut in the 2023 season opener in Miami, and also had a 2nd in Atlanta... their other 3 AVP events ended with 5th-place finishes
- Internationally the duo lost in the qualifier to Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander in their first event, then in their next outing they advanced through the qualifier and went undefeated into the gold medal match, losing 15-13 in the third set
- In 1 season as partners on the AVP they are 19-10 in matches... they are 16-3 when winning the first set and 3-7 when losing the first set... they are 6-3 in three-set matches
- In Atlanta they played 5 straight three-set matches before getting swept in the finals

AVP Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	3	5	2095	\$9,000.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	5	2	2444	\$22,000.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	4	5	1796	\$4,200.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	4	5	1796	\$4,200.00
AVP	3/16-19/2023	Pro Series Miami Open	3	2	2095	\$8,500.00

Chase Budinger - age 35 - 6'7" - hometown Encinitas, Calif. - currently Hermosa Beach, Calif. - Arizona

- This is Budinger's 34th AVP event with 6 different partners
- Budinger has won 3 times all with Casey Patterson (in Hermosa Beach 2019, Atlanta 2021 and Chicago 2021), to go with 7 seconds and 7 thirds
- In all, he has advanced to the semifinals in 17 of his 33 completed events, doing so with 5 different partners
- His first 19 events came alongside a beach Olympian (Sean Rosenthal, Casey Patterson and Chaim Schalk)... he also played one tournament with indoor Olympian Reid Priddy
- This marks the 5th time he has played in Chicago... he was 9th with Sean Rosenthal in 2018, 3rd with Casey Patterson in 2019, won with Patterson in 2021, was 7th with Troy Field in 2022
- Budinger played in Chicago 8 times while in the NBA, and his teams were 2-6 (with 2 OT losses)... he scored 25 points on 10-17 FG shooting in the 2 wins, while having 20 points on 7-30 FG shooting in the 6 losses

<u>Miles Evans</u> – age 33 – 6'4" – hometown Santa Barbara, Calif. – currently Santa Barbara, Calif. – Santa Barbara <u>City College</u>

- Evans is playing in his 32nd AVP tournament with 14 different partners... he had never played more than 4 events with any partner in his career before Budinger
- He has 1 win (Denver 2022 on the Tour Series with Andy Benesh) and 3 second place finishes (Hermosa Beach 2019 with Ryan Doherty, Miami 2023 with Chase Budinger and Atlanta 2023 with Budinger)... he has 1 other semifinal appearance (3rd place in Manhattan Beach 2022 with Andy Benesh)
- He has won on the NVL, NORCECA, FIVB and AVP (Tour Series)
- This is the 5th time he has played an AVP event in Chicago, with his 5th different partner... he was 21st with Michael Brunsting in 2015, 9th with Ryan Doherty in 2019, 9th with Troy Field in 2021, 9th with Andy Benesh in 2022

Chicago - Men - #5 Tri Bourne / Chaim Schalk

Bourne / Schalk are playing together for the 6th time on the AVP Tour and 15th 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
- 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 Chicago in 1 season together as partners on the AVP they have a 18-5 match record... they are 13-3 when winning the first set and 5-2 when losing the first set... they are 7-5 in three-set matches
- At least one of these players has been in the championship match in 8 of the last 13 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	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 47th 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 6th 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 Chicago he has been in the semifinals in 34 of his 46 completed AVP events and has advanced to the championship match in 6 of his last 11 AVP tournaments
- He has won 4 of his titles in California, and the other 5 in 5 different states (including Illinois)
- This weekend will mark his 5th time playing an AVP event in Chicago and he has reached the finals 3 times... in 2016 he placed 2nd with John Hyden, in 2018 he was 5th with Trevor Crabb, in 2021 he was 2nd with Trevor Crabb, and in 2022 he won with Trevor Crabb

<u>Chaim Schalk - age 37 - 6'5" - hometown Red Deer, Alberta - currently Gardena, Calif. - Red Deer College / Trinity Western</u>

- Schalk is playing in his 40th 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 Chicago (21 of 39 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 6th time that Schalk has played in Chicago... he was 9th with Marty Lorenz in 2017, 2nd in 2018 with Tim Bomgren, 3rd with Jeremy Casebeer in 2019, 7th with Theo Brunner in 2021, and 9th with Brunner in 2022
- His 2nd place finish here in 2018 with Tim Bromgren marked his first AVP championship match appearance... he defeated Tri Bourne (and Trevor Crabb) in the match to reach the semifinals

Chicago – Men – #6 Phil Dalhausser / Avery Drost

Dalhausser / Drost are playing together for the 5th time on the AVP Tour

- The duo is consistent, having placed 5th in each of their 4 AVP tournaments together
- 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

Recent Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
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 43 - 6'9" - hometown Baden, Switzerland - currently Orlando, Fla. - Central Florida

- This is Dalhausser's 160th AVP event, winning 62 titles (plus 38 FIVB wins and 1 NVL victory)... he has 21 seconds, 25 thirds and 1 fourth... he has been in the semifinals in 109 of his 159 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 3 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 now 15-11 in 2023 (entering Chicago)... in New Orleans 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)
- Last season 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... including Chicago he has had 3 different partners in 2023
- Dalhausser is playing his 13th AVP tournament in Chicago, and this is the first time he hasn't played alongside a beach Olympian... he played 8 times with Nick Lucena (13th in 2003, 9th in 2004, 9th in 2005, won in 2016, 2nd in 2017, 7th in 2018, 2nd in 2019 and 7th in 2021), 3 times with Todd Rogers (2nd in 2006, won in 2008, 2nd in 2009) and once with Casey Patterson (3rd in 2022)
- 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 36 - 6'5" - hometown Redlands, Calif. - currently Redondo Beach, Calif. - Westmont College

- This is Drost's 88th AVP tournament with his 30 different partners
- He has advanced to 8 semifinals in his AVP career, including 3 second-place finishes, all with Chase Frishman and all 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
- He played 18 times with Chase Frishman, then no more than 5 events with any other partner
- He began 2023 with Jake Dietrich, finishing in 9th place in Miami... then in New Orleans he and Travis Mewhirter finished in 7th place

•	This is the 9th time he has played an AVP event in Chicago he was 33rd in 2009 with Andrew McGuire, 9th in 2015 with Russ Marchewka, 13th in 2016 with Billy Kolinske, 13th with Chase Frishman in 2017, 9th with John Mayer in 2018, 13th with Chase in 2019, 9th with Eric Beranek in 2021 and 13th with Frishman in 2022

Chicago - Men - #7 Billy Allen / Alison Cerutti

Allen / Alison are playing together for the 6th time on the AVP Tour

- The duo placed 2nd in Virginia Beach 2023 on the Tour Series in their debut together, then won in Denver on the Tour Series, placed 3rd in Hermosa Beach, and finished 7th in both Atlanta and Manhattan Beach
- In 1 season as partners they have an 19-7 match record... they are 18-1 when winning the first set and 1-6 when losing the first set... they are 5-2 in three-set matches
- The duo was seeded first in their first event together (Virginia Beach on the Tour Series), then after finishing in second place they were seeded 6th in Denver (also on the Tour Series)... after winning that event, they were seeded 12th in Hermosa Beach (their first Pro Series event)

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	8	7	1990	\$6,400.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	11	7	1990	\$7,600.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	12	3	1990	\$6,000.00
AVP	6/30-7/2/2023	Tour Series Denver Open	6	1	1621	\$3,800.00
AVP	6/9-11/2023	Tour Series Virginia Beach Open	1	2	1540	\$2,200.00

Billy Allen - age 41 - 6'2" - hometown Fallbrook, Calif. - currently Berkeley, Calif. - Cal State Northridge

- This is Allen's 131st AVP event with 18 different partners
- 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 10 AVP tournaments, and to the finals in 3 of his last 7 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
- The 2006 event in Chicago was the first time that Allen played an AVP tournament outside of the state of California... he lost in the qualifier with Jon Mesko, finishing in 41st place
- He has advanced to the semifinals on the AVP with 8 different partners and to the championship with 5 different ones
- Allen is playing in his 12th AVP tournament in Chicago with his 11th different partner... his has been to two semifinals here (placed 3rd with Stafford Slick in 2017 and placed 3rd with Andy Benesh in 2021)

Alison Cerutti – age 37 – 6'8" – hometown Vitoria, Brazil. – currently Manhattan Beach, Calif.

- Alison is playing in his 8th AVP event with 3 different partners
- His first AVP event came in 2009 in Glendale, Ariz, where he and Harley Margues placed second
- He didn't play on the AVP Tour again until this season, when he lost in the qualifier in Huntington Beach alongside Eric Beranek... then in his first 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 one match when winning the first set (23-1 entering Chicago)... he is 1-9 when losing the first set
- A three-time Olympian, Alison won a silver medal in 2012, won gold in 2016, and placed fifth last year 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 first time Alison has played in Chicago

Chicago - Men - #8 Cody Caldwell / Seain Cook

Caldwell / Cook are playing together for the 3rd time on the AVP Tour

- The duo won in Waupaca on the Tour Series in their debut (sweeping all 6 opponents), then placed 3rd in Manhattan Beach last event
- In 1 season as partners they have an 11-2 match record (including Tour Series)... they are 11-0 when winning the first set and 0-2 when losing the first set... they are 2-0 in three-set matches
- The duo swept all 3 qualifier matches in Huntington Beach on August 11 to reach the Chicago main draw
- If any team has a home field advantage this weekend it's this team... Caldwell played collegiately at Loyola-Chicago and Cook just happens to be the name of the county that Chicago is in

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
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

<u>Cody Caldwell – age 30 - 6'6" – hometown Newport Beach, Calif. – currently Newport Beach, Calif. – Loyola Chicago</u>

- This is Caldwell's 28th AVP event with 14 different partners
- He has 2 wins, with David Lee in Atlantic City 2022 on the Tour Series and with Seain Cook in Waupaca 2023 on the Tour Series
- In Atlantic City he was seeded 10th and upset 5 teams, including the teams seeded #2, #3, #4 and #5... that was his only AVP semifinal before Miami 2023, when he finished third with Chase Frishman... he again finished 3rd with Frishman in New Orleans 2023... last event in Manhattan Beach he placed 3rd with Seain Cook
- In 2022 he played internationally on 5 different continents
- In 2022 Caldwell played 11 AVP events (including Tour Series) and had 14 match wins... entering Chicago in 2023 he already has 21 match victories... he has 12 match losses, and 7 have come against teams seeded 4th or better
- This is the 8th AVP event this season for Caldwell, who has played with 4 different partners this season
- This marks the 5th time Caldwell has played in Chicago... he placed 49th with Harshil Thaker in 2017, 17th with David Vander Meer in 2019, 21st with Dave Palm in 2021, and 13th with Ed Ratledge in 2022
- The 20017 Chicago event marked his pro beach volleyball debut

Seain Cook - age 31 - 6'4" - hometown Perth, Scotland - currently Hermosa Beach, Calif.

- This is Cook's 17th AVP tournament with 7 different partners
- He has 1 Tour Series win, in Waupaca 2023 with Cody Caldwell... his next career best is third place, which he has done three times... in Denver 2022 on the Tour Series he and Logan Webber advanced to the semifinals with his only two losses coming to the fourth-seeded team... in that event 4 of his 6 matches went three sets... in Huntington Beach 2022 on the Tour Series he and Webber advanced to the semifinals with his only two losses coming to the top-seeded team in the event... in Manhattan Beach he and Caldwell placed third, with losses to the Crabb brothers (seeded 1st and 4th)
- From the start of the 2022 season (including Tour Series) through the Denver event, he had played 48 matches and 23 of them went to a third set... then in the last 2 tournaments entering Chicago he has played 13 matches and just 2 have gone to a third set
- Cook began the season in Miami with Jeremy Casebeer, rebounding from a first-round loss to finish in 5th place... he then placed 9th with David Lee in New Orleans... he played 3 times with Jake Dietrich, finishing 9th each time
- This is the 1st time Cook has played in Chicago

Chicago – Men – #9 Hagen Smith / Logan Webber

Smith / Webber are playing together for the 6th time on the AVP Tour and 7th time overall

- The duo reached the finals in each of their first 2 tournaments (both on the Tour Series), winning in Virginia Beach and then placing 2nd in Denver
- They have one other semifinal appearance, placing 3rd in Manhattan Beach last event
- In 1 season as partners on the AVP, they have a 16-7 match record... they are 14-1 when winning the first set and 2-6 when losing the first set... they are 5-3 in three-set matches

Hagen Smith - age 28 - 6'0" - hometown Pacific Palisades, Calif. - currently Santa Monica, Calif. - UCLA

- Smith is playing in his 36th AVP tournament with 9 different partners
- He has 1 Tour Series win (in Virginia Beach 2023 with Logan Webber)
- In Denver 2023 on the Tour Series he placed 2nd with Logan Webber... outside of the Tour Series, his career best is 3rd place, which he had in Chicago 2022 with Jake Dietrich and then again in Manhattan Beach 2023 with Webber
- He began the season with a pair of events alongside Billy Kolinske, finishing 7th in Miami and 13th in New Orleans
- Smith played in the qualifier in each of his first 22 AVP events, but including Chicago he has now been seeded directly into the main draw in his last 14 tournaments (including Tour Series)
- This marks the 6th time Smith is playing in Chicago with his 6th different partner... he was 33rd in 2017 with Cole Fiers, 25th in 2018 with Travis Mewhirter, 33rd in 2-19 with Jonah Seif, 29th in 2021 with Robbie Page and 3rd in 2022 with Jake Dietrich
- His dad, Sinjin, collected 4 wins in Chicago (1986, 1987, 1989 and 1990)
- 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

<u>Logan Webber – age 27 – 6'7" – hometown Grand Rapids, Mich. – currently Grand Rapids, Mich. – Cincinnati Christian University</u>

- Webber is playing in his 36th AVP tournament with 10 different partners
- He has 1 Tour Series win (in Virginia Beach 2023 with Hagen Smith)
- In Denver on the Tour Series he placed 2nd with Hagen Smith... he has been to 3 other semifinals, twice in 2022 on the Tour Series (in Denver and Huntington Beach, both with Seain Cook) and then again in Manhattan Beach 2023 with Smith
- In his pro beach career he has played in 13 different states and in 8 different countries (plus the U.S.)
- This marks the 6th time that he is playing an AVP event in Chicago and he is guaranteed to have his best finish here... in both 2017 and 2018 he was 33rd with Charles VanRees, in 2019 he was 17th with Ben Vaught, in 2021 he was 13th with Evan Cory, and in 2022 he was 13th with John Hyden
- The 6 times playing in Chicago is the most of any city for Webber

Chicago - Men - #10 Evan Cory / Troy Field

Cory / Field are playing together for the 4th time on the AVP Tour and 7th time overall

- They have placed 9th in Hermosa Beach, 7th in Atlanta and 13th in Manhattan Beach
- The duo won a gold medal in a Futures event in Helsinki in their debut, going 5-0 in matches
- In 1 season together on the AVP, they have a 5-6 match record... they are 4-0 when winning the first set and 1-6 when losing the first set... they are 2-2 in three-set matches

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	5	13	1706	\$3,050.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	8	7	1990	\$7,600.00
FIVB	7/20-23/2023	Challenge Edmonton	Q21	33	140	\$0.00
FIVB	7/13-16/2023	Challenge Portugal	Q24	25	220	\$0.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	5	9	1621	\$2,000.00
FIVB	6/29-7/2/2023	Futures Helsinki	1	1	400	€ 1,000.00

Evan Cory – age 25 – 6'3" – hometown Metairie, La. – currently Metairie, La. – Lincoln Memorial University

- This is Cory's 29th AVP event with 11 different partners
- His career best is 2nd place, done 2 times, both with Billy Kolinske (in Muskegon 2022 on the Tour Series and in Denver 2022 on the Tour Series)
- Cory has 4 finishes of 5th or better on the AVP Tour and 3 of them have come alongside Billy Kolinske
- He began the 2023 season with Logan Webber, placing 5th in New Orleans and 13th in Huntington Beach
- He has played AVP events in 10 different states
- This is the 3rd time he has played in Chicago... he placed 13th with Logan Webber in 2021 and 7th with Dave Palm in 2022

<u>Troy Field - age 29 - 6'4" - hometown Laguna Beach, Calif. - currently Laguna Beach, Calif. - Saddleback Community College</u>

- Field is playing in his 38th AVP event with 12 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
- Field began 2023 playing with Phil Dalhausser in Miami, finishing in 3rd place... he then played twice with Billy Allen, finishing 2nd in New Orleans and 7th in Huntington Beach
- This is the 5th time he has played in Chicago, doing so with 5 different partners... he was 9th with Chase Frishman in 2018, 17th with Tim Bomgren in 2019, 9th with Miles Evans in 2021 and 7th with Chase Budinger in 2022
- Last year in Chicago he and Chase Budinger knocked off top-seeded Theo Brunner / Chaim Schalk

Chicago - Men - #12 Tim Bomgren / Paul Lotman

Bomgren / Lotman are playing together for the 5th time on the AVP Tour

- The duo finished in 7th place in Huntington Beach 2023 in their debut, and was 7th again in Hermosa Beach... they have placed 9th in each of the first two Gold Series Events (Atlanta and Manhattan Beach)
- In 1 season together on the AVP they have an 8-8 match record... they are 8-0 when winning the first set and 0-8 when losing the first set... they are 2-3 in three-set matches
- The two players have faced off against each other 6 times in their history... Bomgren won the first meeting in a sweep in New York 2019... in 2021 and 2022 Lotman won all 4 meetings, and all of those went to a third set... the two met again in Miami in the 2023 season opener, with Bomgren winning in a sweep

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	9	9	1891	\$4,300.00
AVP	8/4-6/2023	Gold Series Atlanta Open	9	9	1891	\$5,200.00
AVP	7/7-9/2023	Pro Series Hermosa Beach Open	7	7	1706	\$3,000.00
AVP	5/18-21/2023	Pro Series Huntington Beach Open	9	7	1706	\$3,000.00

<u>Tim Bomgren – age 36 – 6'4" – hometown Woodbury, Minn. – currently Minneapolis, Minn. – Wisconsin-Eau Claire</u>

- Bomgren is playing in his 66th 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
- 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 7th time Bomgren is playing in Chicago on the AVP Tour... he played three times with his brother Brian (9th in 2015m 13th in 2016 and 9th in 2017), was 2nd in 2018 with Chaim Schalk, 17th in 2019 with Troy Field and 5th in 2021 with Jeremy Casebeer
- Bomgren began the year playing with Piotr Marciniak in Miami, and the duo placed 7th... in New Orleans he
 played with Jake Dietrich and finished in 9th place... now this is the 5th straight tournament alongside Paul
 Lotman

Paul Lotman - age 37 - 6'7" - hometown Lakewood, Calif. - currently San Diego, Calif. - Long Beach State

- Lotman is playing in his 41st career AVP tournament... this is his 13th 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 Chicago Lotman has played 14 times with Miles Partain and the other 27 with 12 different partners... 10 of his 11 best finishes on the AVP Tour have come with Partain
- This marks the 5th tournament Lotman has ever played in Chicago... he was 17th in 2017 with Gabriel Rodriguez, 33rd in 2018 with Miles Partain, 5th in 2019 with Partain, 3rd in 2021 with Partain, and 5th in 2022 with Partain
- Including the Tour Series, Lotman has won the first match of an AVP tournament in 14 of his last 17 tournaments entering Chicago
- He began the 2023 season with a pair of events with Silila Tucker... he placed 9th in Miami and 5th in New Orleans

Chicago – Men – #13 Jake Dietrich / Chase Frishman

Dietrich / Frishman are playing together for the 1st time ever

<u>Jake Dietrich - age 34 - 6'5" - hometown Santa Clarita, Calif. - currently Redondo Beach, Calif. - Pierce Junior</u> College / Cal State-Santa Cruz

- Dietrich is playing in his 24th AVP tournament with his 12th different partner
- His career best a third place in Chicago 2022 with Hagen Smith... in that event he lost the first round match and needed to win 4 straight matches to reach the semifinals
- His 5 best finishes have all come when playing alongside Hagen Smith
- Dietrich lost in the qualifier in each of his first 10 AVP tournaments, but Chicago marks the 14th consecutive event in which he has been in the main draw
- In 2022 he played all 7 of his AVP tournaments with Hagen Smith, and now Chicago marks his 6th different partner in 8 AVP events
- Entering Chicago Dietrich has lost 15 of the last 17 matches in which he lost the first set
- This marks the 2nd time Dietrich has played in Chicago as he had his career best 3rd place last year with Hagen Smith

<u>Chase Frishman – age 32 – 6'0" – hometown Laguna Niguel, Calif. – currently Redondo Beach, Calif. – UC-San</u> Diego

- Frishman is playing in his 52nd AVP tournament with his 11th different partner
- He has advanced to 7 AVP semifinals in his career... he has 3 seconds, all in 2022 on the Tour Series with Avery Drost (in Atlantic City, Virginia Beach and Huntington Beach)
- He was the AVP Newcomer of the Year in 2016
- Frishman's third place finishes came in Hermosa Beach 2017 with Avery Drost, in Muskegon 2022 on the Tour Series with Noah Dyer, in Miami 2023 with Cody Caldwell, and in New Orleans 2023 with Cody Caldwell
- This season he had a 7-4 match record in his first 2 events (Miami and New Orleans), and then had a 1-8 match record in his last 4 tournaments entering Chicago
- This marks the 7th time that he is playing an AVP event in Chicago... in 2016 he was 17th with Michael Brunsting, in 2017 he was 13th with Avery Drost, in 2018 he was 9th with Troy Field, in 2019 he was 13th with Avery Drost, in 2021 he was 13th with Piotr Marciniak, and in 2022 he was 13th with Drost

Chicago - Men - #14 Djordje Klasnic / Silila Tucker

Klasnic / Tucker are playing together for the 2nd time on the AVP Tour

- The duo finished 13th in Manhattan Beach last event
- The duo earned a main draw spot by being one of the top four finishers in the qualifying tournament in Huntington Beach on August 11 as the 2nd seed
- In that qualifier they survived a three-set match against the event's 31st-seeded team, then swept their next two opponents to clinch a spot in this weekend's tournament
- In 1 season as partners on the AVP Tour they have a 2-2 match record... they are 2-1 when winning the first set and 0-1 when losing the first set... they are 0-1 in three-set matches

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	15	13	1706	\$3,050.00

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

- This is Klasnic's 6th AVP event with 4 different partners
- The 7th place in New Orleans marked a new career best for him
- Both of his parents were professional volleyball players and they now have their own club... 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
- Entering Chicago 9 of his last 10 matches have been two-set matches
- This is DJ's 1st time playing in Chicago

Silila Tucker - age 28 - hometown Waimanalo, Hawai'i - currently Long Beach, Calif. - Graceland

- This is Tucker's 26th AVP tournament with 12 different partners
- His 4 best finishes have all come with 4 different partners... he had a 3rd place finish in Huntington Beach 2022 on the Tour Series with Billy Kolinske... he finished in 5th place in Virginia Beach 2022 on the Tour Series with Andrew Dentler... he placed 5th in New Orleans 2023 with Paul Lotman... he had a 7th in Muskegon 2022 on the Tour Series with Lev Priima
- Including Chicago Tucker is playing with his 7th different partner in his last 10 AVP events (including Tour Series)
- The number five seeding in New Orleans was the highest that Tucker has ever had (including Tour Series)
- This is the 4th time Tucker has played in Chicago... he was 13th in 2018 with Steven Roschitz, 33rd in 2019 with Ryan Walker, and 29th in 2021 with Peter Connole
- The 2018 Chicago event marked the first ever AVP main draw for Tucker... he and Steven Roschitz won 3 qualifier matches (the last 2 were three-set matches) to get in

Chicago - Men - #15 Alvaro Filho / Lev Priima

Alvaro / Priima are playing together for the 2nd time on the AVP Tour

- The duo advanced from the qualifier and finished 17th in Manhattan Beach
- The duo earned a main draw spot by being one of the top four finishers in the qualifying tournament in Huntington Beach on August 11 despite being seeded 12th
- In that qualifier they swept all three opponents, winning by an average score of 21-14 each set

All Results

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/17-20/2023	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	27, Q4	17	1540	\$1,200.00

Alvaro Filho - age 32 - 6'1" - hometown Joao Pessoa, Brazil - currently Kissimmee, Fla.

- This is Alvaro's 4th AVP event with 2 different partners
- He made his AVP debut in Denver 2023 on the Tour Series with Jeremy Casebeer, finishing in 5th place after advancing from the qualifier (lost to hometown favorites and brothers Gage Basey / Lars Basey 19-17 in a three-set match)
- Alvaro and Casebeer technically took a 33rd in Waupaca 2023 on the Tour Series but they forfeited and never played a match
- In Manhattan Beach Alvaro and Priima won 3 qualifier matches and finished 17th
- Internationally Alvaro has won 5 gold medals (including 2 with Alison Cerutti and 1 with Ricardo Santos) and competed in the Tokyo Olympics with Alison (finished 5th)

Lev Priima – age 33 – 6'4" – hometown San Jose, Calif. – currently Hermosa Beach, Calif.

- Priima is playing in his 33rd AVP event with 10 different partners
- He has reached 2 semifinals on the AVP... he was 3rd in Atlantic City 2022 on the Tour Series with Jacob Landel and 3rd in Virginia Beach 2023 on the Tour Series with John-Michael Plummer
- His career best outside of the Tour Series is a 9th (in Atlanta 2022 with Jacob Landel and in Huntington Beach 2023 with Skylar del Sol)
- Priima is playing in Chicago for the 3rd time, having finished 33rd in 2019 with Jacob Landel and 13th in 2021 with Landel

Chicago - Men - #16 Caleb Kwekel / Garrett Peterson

Kwekel / Peterson are playing together for the 1st time ever

- The duo earned a main draw spot by being one of the top four finishers in the qualifying tournament in Huntington Beach on August 11 despite being seeded 14th
- In the qualifier they had 3 tough matches... their first match was 21-19, 25-23... their second match was an upset win over the third-seeded team 21-14, 12-21, 15-11... in the match to advance to this event they defeated #6 Billy Kolinske / Dylan Maarek 21-18, 17-21, 15-13

Caleb Kwekel - age 21 - 6'4" - hometown Grand Rapids, Mich. - currently Bradenton, Fla.

- This is Kwekel's 21th AVP event with 10 different partners
- His best finish is a 3rd place, which he had in Waupaca 2022 on the Tour Series with lan Satterfield
- His best finish in a Pro Series or Gold Series event was a 9th place, which he has done twice... he placed 9th in Tavares 2022 with Dylan Zacca as the 16th seeds after upsetting the #1 seed Theo Brunner / Chaim Schalk in three sets... he then also had a 9th place last event in Manhattan Beach with Jake Urrutia
- His 21 AVP events have come in 11 different states
- Kwekel's first ever AVP main draw match came in Manhattan Beach 2021, and he had to face four-time Olympian Ricardo Santos and indoor Olympian and 13-time AVP winner John Hyden... in his second main draw match he had to face Tokyo indoor Olympian Torey DeFalco and two-time beach Olympian Nick Lucena

Garrett Peterson - age 23 - 6'1" - hometown Largo, Fla. - currently Largo, Fla. - St. Petersburg Junior College

- Peterson is playing in his 17th AVP event with his 10th different partner
- Chicago will mark a new career best for Peterson, as previously his best was 17th place alongside Nathaniel Miller in Atlantic City 2022 on the Tour Series
- His 17 events have come in 9 different states
- Peterson made his AVP debut in Chicago 2017 when he was just 17 years old... he went 1-1 in the qualifier alongside Justin Phipps and finished in 49th place
- This weekend will be just the 2nd time in his career that he has earned a paycheck from the AVP... the other time was in Manhattan Beach 2018 with Justin Phipps
- Including Tour Series, Peterson is 0-4 in AVP main draw matches entering Chicago
- Peterson is playing in Chicago for the 3rd time, having finished 49th in 2017 with Justin Phipps and 33rd in 2018 with David Smith