

## **Manhattan Beach – Stadium Court Notes – Friday, Aug. 20, 2021 – Match 2**

### **9:00 am – #11 Skylar del Sol / Ed Ratledge vs. #22 Tomas Goldsmith / Max Martin**

#### **Head to Head**

- This is the first meeting between the teams

**Del Sol / Ratledge** are playing together for the 6th time on the AVP Tour

- The pair has a best of 7th place in the first Long Beach event of 2020
- In Seattle 2018, Ratledge eliminated del Sol in the 13th-place match, which was del Sol's 2nd AVP main draw ever

#### **Skylar del Sol – age 30 – 6'0" – hometown Elizabeth, Colo. – currently Parker, Colo.**

- This is del Sol's 27th AVP event... he has a best of 7th place 2 times
- In 2018 del Sol played 2 FIVB events with Trevor Crabb

#### **Ed Ratledge – age 44 – 6'8" – hometown Fountain Valley, Calif. – currently Huntington Beach, Calif. – UCLA**

- Ratledge is playing in his 161st AVP Tournament, with 1 win and 4 3rd-place finishes
- Ratledge has played with 28 different partners over the years
- Ratledge did not reach a semifinal until San Francisco 2017 (with Eric Zaun) in what was his 139th AVP tournament... that marked the 2nd most tournaments any player ever played without reaching a semifinal
- Ratledge's victory came in San Francisco 2018 with Roberto Rodriguez... the duo beat 4 teams seeded #7 or better to win the title
- This marks the 20th time Ratledge has played in Manhattan Beach (best of 3rd in 2011 with Ryan Mariano)... the only players with more Manhattan Beach tournaments are Kevin Cleary (30) and Brent Frohoff (21)

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**Goldsmith / Martin** are playing together for the 7th time on the AVP Tour

- Gained entry via a wildcard
- Manhattan Beach marks the first time the duo has been in the main draw

#### **Tomas Goldsmith – age 30 – 6'3" – hometown Milwaukee, Wisc. – currently Milwaukee, Wisc. – Rutgers / Wisconsin-Milwaukee**

- This is Goldsmith's 10th AVP tournament and his first time in the main draw
- In his AVP career (all qualifiers) he has an 8-9 match record, a 21-23 set record, and is 775-788 in points scored and allowed... he is 4-6 in three-set matches

#### **Max Martin – age 31 – hometown Brookfield, Wisc. – currently New Berlin, Wisc.**

- This is Martin's 11th AVP tournament and his first time in the main draw