

**Manhattan Beach – Stadium Court Notes – Friday, August 19, 2022 – Match 3**  
**9:30 am – #3 Paul Lotman / Miles Partain vs #30 (Q27) Ric Cervantes / Jonah Seif**

**Head to Head**

- This is the first meeting between the teams
- Cervantes has played once before against Lotman, eliminating him from the 2019 Manhattan Beach Open
- In Manhattan Beach 2019, the Partain brothers defeated Jonah Seif and Hagen Smith in the qualifier

**Lotman / Partain** are playing together for the 11th time on the AVP Tour and 12th time overall

- Their AVP tournaments together have been spread out (played 2 spread out in 2018, 1 in 2019, 2 in 2021, 6 in 2022)
- In 4 seasons as partners on the AVP (including qualifiers), they are 35-14 (71%) in matches, 24-3 (89%) when winning the first set, 10-11 (48%) when losing the first set, 1-0 in one-set matches and 16-8 (67%) in three-set matches
- The duo has played 24 matches this season, and 14 of them have gone to a third set (9-5 in those), including 10 of their last 16 matches...all 6 of their match losses this season have come to teams seeded fourth or better
- The duo has advanced to the semifinals in each of their last 6 AVP events... the last time they failed to reach the semifinals was in Manhattan Beach 2021 (placed 7th)

**Paul Lotman – age 36 – 6'7" – hometown Lakewood, Calif. – currently San Diego, Calif. – Long Beach State**

- Lotman is playing in his 31st career AVP tournament... this is his 10th different partnership
- Lotman has 1 win (Atlanta 2022)... all 8 of his best finishes on the AVP Tour have come with Partain
- Lotman began the year in Austin playing with Skylar del Sol (finished 9th place)
- Lotman's first AVP main draw ever came in Manhattan Beach 2017 (finished 17th with Gabriel Ospina) and his first main draw match was a loss to Theo Brunner / Casey Patterson

**Miles Partain – age 20 – 6'2" – hometown Pacific Palisades, Calif. – currently Pacific Palisades, Calif. - UCLA**

- Partain is playing in his 26th AVP tournament with his 8th different partner... he has played 11 times with Lotman and 7 times with his brother Marcus Partain, while the other 8 events came with 6 different partners
- In his first 19 AVP tournaments, he had a best of 5th place... in each of his last 6 events, he finished in 3rd place 5 times and then won last event (in Atlanta)

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**Cervantes / Seif** are playing together for the 2nd time on the AVP Tour

- Their only other AVP tournament together was in Manhattan Beach 2021 (lost in qualifier, placed 29th)
- In their short partnership together, they are 4-0 when winning the first set and 0-1 when losing the first set

**Ric Cervantes – age 34 – 5'11" – hometown Santa Barbara, Calif. – currently Santa Barbara, Calif. – Hawai'i**

- Cervantes is playing in his 15th career AVP tournament... this is his 8th different partnership
- His career AVP best (15th place) came in Hermosa Beach 2017 in what was his first career AVP main draw
- Of his 15 AVP tournaments, 6 have been Manhattan Beach Opens... Cervantes made his pro beach volleyball debut in Manhattan Beach 2005 when he was 17 years old

**Jonah Seif – age 27 – 6'6" – hometown Thousand Oaks, Calif. – currently Thousand Oaks, Calif. – UC-Santa Barbara**

- Seif is playing in his 4th AVP tournament with his 2nd different partner
- 3 of his 4 career AVP tournaments have been Manhattan Beach Opens
- This weekend is his first career AVP main draw