

Hermosa Beach Miscellaneous Notes from Saturday

MEN

- After all 12 men's matches were sweeps on Friday, 5 of the 12 on Saturday went to a third set
 - For the weekend, teams winning the first set are 21-3 (88%)
- A total of 8 of the 24 matches were upsets
- The leader in hitting percentage is Theo Brunner, who has just 2 hitting errors in his 3 matches (33 kills, 2 errors, 49 attempts, .633 hitting percentage)
- Paul Lotman has the most aces (9) as well as the highest average (1.00 aces / set)
- Billy Kolinske registered 22 blocks in his 3 matches... that equates to 3.67 blocks per set
- Three players averaged at least 6.00 digs per set (Chase Frishman 7.17, Avery Drost 7.00, Timothy Brewster 6.14)
- Saturday morning starts out with a classic battle: Phil Dalhausser vs Alison Cerutti... the two bigs have met 30 times previously:
 - Dalhausser owns a 21-9 advantage
 - Teams winning the first set are 23-6 (one match Alison retired late in the first set)
 - Their last meeting was 7/27/21 in the Tokyo Olympics (pool play), won by Dalhausser
 - In gold medal matches, Dalhausser is 7-4 (including an AVP title win in Glendale, Ariz. in 2009) but Alison has won 4 of the last 5 gold medal matches

Women

- A total of 10 of the 24 matches so far have gone to a third sets
 - Teams winning the first set are 19-5 (79%)
- 15 of the 24 matches have been upsets... 8 of the 14 matches in the winner's bracket were upsets
 - If #14 Lexy Denaburg / Carly Kan upset #2 Megan Kraft / Emily Stockman, then the semifinals will have at least the 3rd highest sum of seeds in the final four in AVP women's history
 - In Hermosa Beach 2019 the total was 64 (seeds 1, 18, 21, 24) in a 24-team draw
 - In Manhattan Beach 2017 the total was 41 (seeds 1, 2, 15 and 23) in a 32-team draw
- The only player in the event to hit at least .500 is Lexy Denaburg (58 kills, 11 errors, 91 attempts, .516 in her 4 matches)
- Carly Kan has had 10 aces in her 10 sets to lead the field... if my math is correct that is 1.00 aces / set

- Sarah Schermerhorn leads all players with 14 blocks and in average (2.00 blocks / set)
- Four players have averaged oat least 7.00 digs per set (and two of them are at least 33 years old, among the 5 oldest players here)... Savvy Simo 8.00, Emily Stockman 7.50, Corinne Quiggle 7.29 and Geena Urango 7.00)