

## Honolulu – Sep. 19 - 22, 2019 – Men’s Championship Notes

### 3:00 pm – #2 Taylor Crabb / Jake Gibb vs. #12 (QT #1) Theo Brunner / John Hyden

**Crabb / Gibb** are playing together for the 18th time on the AVP Tour and for the 43rd time overall... The pair has won 7 AVP titles, including Chicago last year and 3 times this season (Huntington Beach, Austin, Chicago)

Tour	Date	Tournament	Seed	Finish	Points	Money
AVP	8/29-9/1/2019	Gold Series Championships	2	1	1650	\$30,000.00
AVP	6/20-23/2019	Seattle Open	1	2	640	\$10,000.00
AVP	6/6-9/2019	Gold Series NYC Open	1	3	1188	\$13,000.00
AVP	5/16-19/2019	Austin Open	1	1	750	\$15,000.00
AVP	5/2-5/2019	Huntington Beach Open	1	1	1050	\$20,000.00

- In 2017 Crabb and Gibb were partners for 6 AVP events (3rd, 1st in New York, 3rd, 1st in Hermosa Beach, 5th, 5th)... last season the pair had a 23-6 match record on the AVP
- This season Crabb / Gibb have a 28-7 match record on the AVP, including 9-3 in three-set matches... When they win the first set, they are 23-2, while when losing the first set they are 4-5
- In their 7 AVP wins as partners, they have defeated 6 different teams (beat Dalhausser / Lucena twice)
- In their 10 AVP championship matches, they have won the first set 9 times

#### **Crabb / Gibb Honolulu Matches:**

Fri, 9/20/2019	Winner 1	Miles Partain / Lev Priima (15, Q4)	<b>Won</b> 21-19, 21-13	0:42
Fri, 9/20/2019	Winner 2	Ryan Doherty / Miles Evans (7)	<b>Won</b> 21-9, 21-19	0:38
Sat, 9/21/2019	Winner 3	Chase Budinger / Casey Patterson (3)	<b>Lost</b> 20-22, 18-21	0:45
Sat, 9/21/2019	Contender 4	Eric Beranek / Billy Kolinske (14)	<b>Won</b> 21-19, 21-17	0:51
Sun, 9/22/2019	Semi-Finals	Jeremy Casebeer / Chaim Schalk (4)	<b>Won</b> 17-21, 21-17, 17-15	1:18

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

- This is Crabb’s 34th AVP event, and he has won 7 AVP titles (all with Gibb) ... He is 0-4 in finals with partners other than Gibb
- Including Honolulu, Crabb has reached the semifinals in 24 of his last 27 AVP tournaments

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

- Gibb is playing in his 159th AVP Tournament, with 33 AVP wins (plus 6 FIVB wins)... Gibb has won with 5 different partners... He is the only player who has won multiple AVP titles in each of the last 7 seasons
- Gibb is looking to get his 11th victory since turning 40,, Since he had his 40th birthday, he is tied with Phil Dalhausser and Nick Lucena for the most AVP wins (10 titles each in that span)
- Gibb is 33-31 in AVP championship matches (13-3 with Casey Patterson, 8-19 with Sean Rosenthal, 7-3 with Taylor Crabb, 4-2 with Stein Metzger, 1-1 with Adam Jewell and 0-3 in individual events)

#### **General AVP Championship Notes**

- 8 of the last 9 men’s title matches have been sweeps... 22 of the last 24 AVP championships have been won by the team winning the first set... the 2 exceptions were both in Manhattan Beach (2017 and 2018).
- Only once in the last 11 AVP championship matches has there been an upset in the finals, and that happened earlier this year in Seattle.
- Brunner and Hyden are the first team to ever advance from the qualifier and play in the championship match
- The last time a team seeded as low as 12th won an AVP men’s title was in Cincinnati 20015, when 12th-seeded John Hyden and Mike Lambert won, which was Hyden’s first career victory
- Regardless of who wins, a player who is at least 40 years old will win... if Gibb accomplishes it, it will be his 11th since turning 40 (extending his record for most wins after 40) while if Hyden does it he will extend his record for being the oldest player to ever win an AVP championship

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AVP	8/29-9/1/2019	Gold Series Championships	17, Q1	7	814	\$6,500.00
AVP	8/15-18/2019	Gold Series Manhattan Beach Open	9	17	418	\$1,200.00
AVP	8/16-19/2018	AVP Gold Series Manhattan Beach	2	3	972	\$10,000.00
AVP	7/26-29/2018	AVP Hermosa Beach	1	1	750	\$15,000.00
<b>AVP</b>	<b>6/21-24/2018</b>	<b>AVP Seattle</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>540</b>	<b>\$7,000.00</b>
<b>AVP</b>	<b>6/7-10/2018</b>	<b>AVP Gold Series NYC</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>\$9,500.00</b>
<b>AVP</b>	<b>5/17-20/2018</b>	<b>AVP Austin</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>\$2,500.00</b>

**Brunner / Hyden** Honolulu matches:

Date	Round	Opponent	Result	Time
hu, 9/19/2019	Qualifier 2	Bryce Mayer / Tal Shavit (Q17)	Won 21-11, 21-11	0:35
Thu, 9/19/2019	Qualifier 3	Raffe Paulis / Ian Satterfield (Q8)	Won 21-19, 21-13	0:44
Fri, 9/20/2019	Winner 1	Tim Bomgren / Troy Field (5)	Lost 21-17, 20-22, 8-15	1:20
Fri, 9/20/2019	Contender 1	Brian Cook / Sean Rosenthal (13, Q2)	Won 21-15, 21-19	0:42
Sat, 9/21/2019	Contender 2	Ryan Doherty / Miles Evans (7)	Won 21-14, 16-21, 15-13	0:52
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Sat, 9/21/2019	Contender 4	Phil Dalhausser / Nick Lucena (1)	Won 13-21, 21-15, 18-16	1:02
Sun, 9/22/2019	Semi-Finals	Chase Budinger / Casey Patterson (3)	Won 25-23, 21-18	0:44

- Of their 8 matches played so far this weekend for Brunner / Hyden, 7 of them have been elimination matches

**Theo Brunner** – age 34 – 6’7” – hometown Ridgefield, Conn. – currently Torrance, Calif. – Cal-Santa Barbara

- Brunner is playing in his 50th AVP Tournament, with 3 wins (Huntington Beach in 2013 with Nick Lucena, Seattle in 2016 with Billy Allen and Hermosa Beach in 2018 with John Hyden), 3 seconds, and 9 thirds
- Brunner is 3-3 in AVP championship matches (1-2 with Nick Lucena, 1-0 with John Hyden, 1-0 with Billy Allen, 0-1 with Todd Rogers)

**John Hyden** – age 46 – 6’5” – hometown San Diego – currently Sherman Oaks, Calif. – San Diego State

- Hyden is playing in his 150th AVP tournament... he has won 13 times, with 22 seconds and 21 thirds
- Hyden is 13-22 in AVP championship matches (5-9 with Sean Scott, 3-6 with Tri Broune, 2-0 in individual events, 1-1 with Ryan Doherty, 1-1 with Mike Lambert, 1-0 with Theo Brunner, 0-4 with Brad Keenan, 0-1 with Jeff Nygaard)

#### Head to Head

- Crabb / Gibb lead the series 3-2, all all 5 times the match went to a third set

Date	Tour	Tournament	Round	Winning Team	Seed	Losing Team	Seed	Score	Time
8/18/18	AVP	AVP Gold Series Manhattan Beach	Winner 4	<b>Crabb/Gibb</b>	3	Brunner/Hyden	2	21-13, 18-21, 15-6	0:53
7/29/18	AVP	AVP Hermosa Beach	Semi-Finals	<b>Brunner/Hyden</b>	1	Crabb/Gibb	2	21-16, 18-21, 15-12	1:07
6/23/18	AVP	AVP Seattle	Winner 3	<b>Crabb/Gibb</b>	3	Brunner/Hyden	2	20-22, 21-19, 15-13	1:03
6/9/18	AVP	AVP Gold Series NYC	Winner 3	<b>Crabb/Gibb</b>	3	Brunner/Hyden	2	21-18, 17-21, 15-11	1:00
3/2/18	FIVB	Fort Lauderdale Major	Winner 2	<b>Brunner/Hyden</b>	20	Crabb/Gibb	18	14-21, 21-19, 18-16	0:50