

## Austin – Stadium Court Notes – Saturday, May 7, 2022 – Match 1

### 9:05 am – #10 Karolina Marciniak / Megan Rice vs. #15 Aurora Davis / Teegan Van Gunst

#### Head to Head

- This is the first meeting between the teams
- Marciniak and Davis played once before, in 2018 Austin (Lane Carico / Marciniak defeated Davis / Bree Scarbrough 21-17, 11-21, 17-15)
- Rice and Davis played once before, in 2016 Manhattan Beach (Anne Osburn / Rice defeated Davis / Bree Scarbrough 21-10, 21-19)
- Rice and Van Gunst have played twice before... in the 2019 Hermosa Beach qualifier, Kathryn Hogan / Rice defeated Annika (Van Gunst) Rowland 21-17, 21-11... in Chicago 2021 Rice / Sarah Schermerhorn defeated Annika (Van Gunst) Rowland 21-16, 21-14

**Marciniak / Rice** are playing together for the 1st time ever

#### Karolina Marciniak – age 34 – 5'11" – hometown Lask, Poland – currently Port St. Lucie, Fla.

- Marciniak is playing in her 18th career AVP tournament, with a best of 3rd (in Austin 2018 with Lane Carico)
- In Austin in 2018, Marciniak and Lane Carico lost their first round match, then won four straight contender's bracket matches (including defeating the 3rd-seeded team) to reach the semifinals

#### Megan Rice – age 28 – 5'11" – hometown Boca Raton, Fla.– currently Boca Raton, Fla. – Florida / Florida Atlantic

- Rice is playing in her 16th career AVP tournament with 10 different partners (hasn't played more than 3 events with any person)
- Rice has a career best of 2nd, reaching the finals in Hermosa Beach in 2019 alongside Kathryn Hogan... in that event she was seeded 13th in the qualifier and got into the main draw with a win over Van Gunst... then in the main draw, as the 21st seed they upset 5 teams, including seeds 4 and 5, and their only two losses came at the hands of the event's top seeded team

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**Davis / Van Gunst** are playing together for the 1st time ever

- Duo qualified for Austin after finishing 5th in the Panama City Beach qualifier

#### Aurora Davis – age 30 – 5'8" – hometown Groveland, Fla. – currently Groveland, Fla. – Florida State

- This is Davis' 39th AVP event with her 14th different partner
- Including Austin, Davis has played with a different partner in each of her last 10 AVP tournaments
- Her best finish came with Bree Scarbrough here in Austin in 2019 (7th place)... she was eliminated in that event by Marciniak

#### Teegan Van Gunst – age 27 – 6'0" – hometown Fayetteville, Ga. – currently Santa Ana, Calif. – Georgia Tech / Georgia State

- Van Gunst is playing in her 12th AVP Tournament, and this is her first one with a partner other than her twin Annika Rowland
- This will be Van Gunst's 10th AVP main draw match ever... she has only played one three-set match so far