

Manhattan Beach – Stadium Court Notes – Saturday, August 20, 2022 – Match 3

10:40 am – #7 Andy Benesh / Miles Evans / Jacob Landel / Lev Priima

Head to Head

- This is the first meeting between the teams
- Benesh has never played against Landel
- Priima won the first meeting against Benesh (Honolulu 2019), but Benesh has won the other 2 meetings (in Austin and New Orleans this season)
- Evans has never played against either Landel or Priima

Benesh / Evans are playing together for the 2nd time on the AVP Tour and 5th time overall

- The duo won a silver medal internationally together in April
- Their only other AVP tournament together was in Denver 2022 (Tour Series), which they won... after losing their first round match, Benesh and Evans had to win 6 straight elimination matches to reach the championship match... they won the first 5 of those in sweeps
- On the AVP Tour they are 9-2 in matches, including 9-1 when winning the first set and 0-1 when losing the first set... they are 1-2 in three-set matches
- In 10 of their 11 matches together on the AVP Tour, they have won the first set

Andy Benesh – age 27 – 6’9” – hometown Ranch Palos Verdes, Calif. – currently Palos Verdes Peninsula, Calif. – USC

- Benesh is playing in his 26th career AVP tournament with 8 different partners
- This is his 8th AVP event of the year with a 4th different partner
- In 5 of his last 9 AVP tournaments, Benesh has reached the semifinals... prior to that stretch he had never made a semifinal in his first 16 tournaments
- Benesh is 1 of 4 players this season to win multiple times on the AVP Tour (Phil Dalhausser 2, Benesh 2 including 1 Tour Series, Dave Palm 2 Tour Series and Roberto Rodriguez 2 Tour Series)
- Benesh was 3rd in Manhattan Beach last year with Billy Allen

Miles Evans – age 32 – 6’4” – hometown Santa Barbara, Calif – currently Santa Barbara, Calif. – Santa Barbara City College

- Evans is playing in his 25th AVP tournament with his 13th different partner
- He has one win (Denver 2022 on the Tour Series with Andy Benesh and one 2nd place finish (Hermosa Beach 2019 with Ryan Doherty)
- Evans has won on the NVL, NORCECA, FIVB and now AVP Tour

Landel / Priima are playing together for the 14th time on the AVP Tour

- The duo began as partners in 2018, and just set their career best in Atlantic City on the Tour Series (3rd)... prior to Atlantic City, the duo had won a total of 3 AVP main draw matches, then proceeded to win 4 straight en route to their first semifinal
- In 4 seasons as partners on the AVP (including qualifiers), they are 34-21 (62%) in matches, 27-2 (93%) when winning the first set, 7-19 (27%) when losing the first set, and 9-6 (60%) in three-set matches
- In their 3 AVP tournaments this season they have 4 match losses, and they have come against teams seeded 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th

Jacob Landel – age 30 – 6’2” – hometown Long Beach, Calif. – currently Santa Cruz, Calif. – Cal-Santa Cruz

- Landel is playing in his 19th career AVP tournament... he has played a total of 5 AVP tournaments with 3 different partners and the remaining 14 have all come with Priima

- Before this year began Landel's career AVP best was 13th (4 times)... this year, he set a career best of 7th (with Bruno Amorim in Waupaca) and then 3rd (with Priima in Atlantic City) with both of those on the Tour Series

Lev Priima – age 32 – 6'4" – hometown San Jose, Calif. – currently Hermosa Beach, Calif.

- Priima is playing in his 22nd AVP tournament with his 5th different partner... he has played 14 times with Landel (including Atlanta) and the other 8 AVP events have come with 4 different partners
- Priima entered the 2022 season with a career best of 13th (5 times)... this year he has played 8 times, and all have equaled or surpassed his previous career best (13th 4 times, 9th, 7th, 3rd)
- Only Avery Drost and Logan Webber (9th AVP event of the year) have played more times than Priima has this year (Manhattan Beach is his 8th AVP tournament)