

Austin – Stadium Court Notes – Saturday, May 7, 2022 – Match 4

12:20 pm – #5 Casey Patterson / Ed Ratledge vs. #10 Eric Beranek / Avery Drost

Head to Head

- This is the first meeting between the teams
 - Patterson is 2-0 all time against Beranek, with both meetings coming in 2019
 - Patterson is 9-1 all-time against Drost, with the first 3 meetings coming on a different tour... the lone Drost win came in New York in 2018
 - Ratledge has swept Beranek all 3 times the two players have met on the court, and this will be the 4th straight year they have faced off against each other
 - Ratledge and Drost have played each other 15 times previously, with Ratledge holding a slim 8-7 lead... the series dates back to 2012

Patterson / Ratledge are playing together for the 1st time ever

Casey Patterson – age 42 – 6'6" – hometown Manhattan Beach, Calif. – currently Camarillo, Calif. – BYU

- This is Patterson's 106th AVP event with his 21st different partner
- Patterson has won 17 times on the AVP Tour, to go with 6 seconds and 16 thirds
- With Jake Gibb retiring, Patterson becomes the AVP's active leader with playing in a at least one semifinal in 9 consecutive seasons

Ed Ratledge – age 45 – 6'8" – hometown Fountain Valley, Calif. – currently Huntington Beach, Calif. – UCLA

- Ratledge is playing in his 163rd AVP Tournament with his 29th different partner
- Ratledge has 1 win (San Francisco 2018 with Roberto Rodriguez) and 4 thirds (3 with Rodriguez, 1 with Eric Zaun)

Beranek / Drost are playing together for the 2nd time on the AVP Tour

- The pair placed 9th in Chicago 2021 in their only other event as partners

Eric Beranek – age 25 – 6'0" – hometown Redondo Beach, Calif. – currently Hermosa Beach, Calif. – Orange Coast College

- This is Beranek's 27th AVP event... he has played with 14 different partners (none more than 4 events)
- His best finish was a 3rd with Billy Kolinske in Manhattan Beach 2019
- Beranek had just turned 4 years old when Ratledge played in his first ever pro beach event (Manhattan Beach in 2000)

Avery Drost – age 35 – hometown Redlands, Calif. – currently Redondo Beach, Calif.

- Drost is playing in his 69th AVP Tournament with 25 different partners
- Drost has played in 4 AVP semifinals with 3 different partners (2 with Billy Kolinske, 1 with Chase Frishman and 1 with Gregg Weaver), with his last one coming in Hermosa Beach in 2017
- Drost has finished in 9th each of his other 3 times playing in Austin, all with different partners... a loss today would give him his 4th different 9th-place finish with a 4th different partner