Chicago – Stadium Court Notes – Saturday, Sept. 4, 2021 – Match 7

2:35 pm - #6 Kelley Kolinske / Zana Muno vs. #10 Megan Rice / Sarah Schermerhorn

Head to Head

- Kolinske has never played against Rice before... she is 2-0 against Schermerhorn, with the last meeting coming in Chicago 2019 (won 21-14, 21-10)
- Muno defeated Rice in their only other meeting, winning 21-18, 21-14 in Chicago 2019
- Muno and Schermerhorn have split their previous two meetings, both of which went three sets... they met in 2019 and 2020, and now again in 2021

Kolinske / Muno are playing together for the 1st time ever

Each of their first 2 matches as partners have gone 3 sets

Kelley Kolinske - age 29 - 6'2" - hometown San Diego, Calif. - currently Jamul, Calif. - Pepperdine

- This is Kolinske's 32nd AVP event... Muno is just her 3rd different partner
- Kolinske has 3 wins, 2 seconds and 3 thirds... she is due for a win, as her victories have come in 2015 (in Cincinnati with Betsi Flint), in 2017 (in San Francisco with Betsi Flint), and in 2018 (in Seattle with Emily Stockman)
- Her husband Billy Kolinske proposed to her on stadium court in Chicago in August 2019

Susannah Muno - age 25 - 5'10" - hometown Hermosa Beach, Calif. - currently Manhattan Beach, Calif. - UCLA

- Muno is playing in her 12th AVP Tournament... she has played 6 times with Crissy Jones, and the other 6 events with 4 different partners
- Muno has a career best of 3rd, which she has done twice with Crissy Jones (in Hermosa Beach 2019 after advancing from the qualifier and winning 5 straight contender's bracket matches, and then again in the 2021 season opener in Atlanta)
- In 2021 entering Chicago, Muno ranked 7th in digs on the Tour (5.39 per set)

Rice / Schermerhorn are playing together for the 3rd time on the AVP Tour

- In their first round match in Atlanta, the duo had to beat some ex-partners... Rice had played one event with Kimberly Hildreth (finished 5th in Seattle 2015 on the NVL Tour) and once with Kathryn Hogan (finished 2nd in Hermosa Beach 2019 as the #13-seeded qualification team)... Schermerhorn had played 18 AVP tournaments with Hildreth, with a best of 2nd in Austin 2019 as the #7 qualification team
- Before Atlanta the last time Rice played on the AVP Tour was in Chicago 2019, and she was eliminated by Schermerhorn (and Kimberly Hildreth)

Megan Rice - age 27 - 5'11" - hometown Boca Raton, Fla. - currently Boca Raton, Fla. - Florida / Florida Atlantic

- This is Rice's 15th AVP event... she has a best of 2nd (Hermosa Beach 2019 with Kathryn Hogan)
- Rice placed 5th in Atlanta (with Schermerhorn), which was her second best AVP finish ever
- Rice did not play on the AVP Tour in 2020... in 2019 she played 7 events with 5 different partners

Sarah Schermerhorn - age 32 - 6'1" - hometown Colfax, N.C. - currently Colfax, N.C. - Elon

- Shermerhorn is playing in her 24th AVP Tournament, with a best of 2nd place (Austin 2019 with Kimberly Hidreth)
- This is just the 6th AVP tournament in her career playing with a partner other than Kimberly Hildreth... the other 3 events came in her first 3 AVP tournaments ever (in 2016 and 2017) and then the 2 in 2021
- From 2018 to 2020, Schermerhorn played exclusively with Kimberly Hildreth... in 2021 has played 4 FIVB events with Aurora Davis (and signed up to play in Cervia, Italy next week with Zana Muno)