

# Fort Lauderdale – Stadium Court Notes – Sunday, July 31, 2022 – Match 1

## 9:05 am – #3 Sara Hughes / Kelley Kolinske vs #6 Zana Munro / Brandie Wilkerson

### Head to Head

- This is the first meeting between the two teams
- Munro has never played against Hughes or Kolinske
- Hughes is 3-1 against Wilkerson all time... Wilkerson is 5-2 all time against Kolinske

**Hughes / Kolinske** are playing together for the 3rd time on the AVP Tour and 9th time overall

- They played in 6 FIVB events this year, improving from 9th to 5th to winning a gold medal in the Itapema (Brazil) Challenge on April 17... the duo also placed 5th in the World Championships in Rome in June
- In capturing the FIVB title in April, the duo beat 5 Olympians, including 2016 Silver Medalist Barbara Seixas
- On the AVP Tour they have a 7-5 match record... they are 7-0 when winning the first set and 0-5 when losing the first set... they are 2-2 in three set matches

**Sara Hughes** – age 27 – 6'2" – hometown Costa Mesa, Calif. – currently Costa Mesa, Calif. – Southern Cal

- This is Hughes' 30th AVP event with 8 different partners... she has 3 wins, 4 seconds and 9 thirds... last win was Hermosa Beach 2018
- Hughes has been in the semifinals in 16 of her 29 AVP events completed (55%), and in the championship match 7 times (24%)
- Hughes' AVP career began with 3 events losing in the qualifier, then advanced to the semis in 4 of her next 7 AVP tournaments, then won 3 consecutive times, then reached the semis in 8 of her next 10 AVP events... she then went 5 straight tournaments with a 5th place or lower (longest streak of her career) before her 3rd place finish last event in Hermosa Beach

**Kelley Kolinske** – age 30 – 6'2" – hometown San Diego, Calif. – currently Jamul, Calif. – Pepperdine

- Kolinske is playing in her 35th AVP Tournament with 4 different partners... she has 3 wins, 3 seconds, 5 thirds... her victories came in 2015, 2017 and 2019
- Kolinske played just once in 2014 (9th place), but since then has advanced to the semifinals at least once in each of the last 8 seasons, including to a championship match in 4 different years

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**Munro / Wilkerson** are playing together for the 2nd time overall

- The duo placed 5th in New Orleans
- On the AVP Tour they have an 6-3 match record... they are 6-1 when they win the first set, and 0-2 when they lose the first set... they are 0-1 in three set matches

**Zana Munro** – age 26 – 5'10" – hometown Hermosa Beach, Calif. – currently Manhattan Beach, Calif. – UCLA

- This is Munro's 15th AVP event with her 7th different partner
- Munro has advanced to 3 AVP semifinals (with Crissy Jones in Hermosa Beach 2019, with Jones in Atlanta in 2021, and with Kelley Kolinske in Chicago 2021)
- After playing with Wilkerson in New Orleans, Munro played with Lauren Fendrick in Hermosa Beach (finished in 5th place)
- All time in AVP main draws, Munro is 10-6 in three-set matches

**Brandie Wilkerson** – age 30 – 5'10" – hometown Lausanne, Switzerland – currently Toronto, Canada

- Wilkerson is playing her 17th career AVP event with her 6th different partner
- Her best career AVP finish has been 2nd three times (2017 Manhattan Beach and 2018 New York with Nicole Branagh, 2020 Long Beach event #1 with Sara Hughes) and 3rd three times
- From 2019-2020 Wilkerson advanced to the semifinals in 4 straight AVP tournaments, but since then has played in 5 AVP events (prior to Fort Lauderdale) with a best of 5th place