

Fort Lauderdale – Stadium Court Notes – Sunday, July 31, 2022 – SEMIFINALS

12:20 pm – #1 Theo Brunner / Chaim Schalk vs #5 Paul Lotman / Miles Partain

Head to Head

- The series is tied 1-1... Lotman / Partain won in Hermosa Beach 15-21, 21-16, 16-14 but then two days later in the semifinals Brunner / Schalk won 21-13, 18-21, 15-12

Brunner / Schalk are playing together for the 6th time on the AVP Tour and the 21st time overall

- The duo has advanced to the semifinals in 4 of their 5 AVP tournaments, and won in Hermosa Beach
- Internationally they played 15 times with one gold and one fourth-place finish
- On the AVP Tour they are 21-7 in matches... they are 19-3 when winning the first set and 2-4 when losing the first set... they are 5-3 in three-set matches... they enter the semifinals having won 8 consecutive matches

Theo Brunner – age 37 – 6'7" – hometown Ridgefield, Conn. – currently Torrance, Calif. – Cal-Santa Barbara

- This is Brunner's 59th AVP event, winning 4 times (in Huntington Beach 2013 with Nick Lucena, in Seattle 2016 with Billy Allen, in Hermosa Beach 2018 with John Hyden and Hermosa Beach 2022 with Schalk)... he also has 5 seconds and 12 thirds... he has now been in the semifinals in 22 of his AVP tournaments (37%)
- Since advancing to his first semifinal in 2013, he has been in at least one AVP semifinal in each season with the exception of 2015 (played just 2 tournaments that year)
- Brunner has never played with a partner more than 8 times in his AVP career... he has played with 15 different partners, has advanced to the semifinals with 6 of them and to a title match with 5 different players

Chaim Schalk – age 36 – 6'5" – hometown Red Deer, Alberta – currently Gardena, Calif.

- Schalk is playing in his 29th AVP Tournament with his 7th different partner
- He has 2 wins (in Seattle 2019 with Jeremy Casebeer and Hermosa Beach 2022 with Brunner), 3 second-place finishes, and 8 third-place finishes
- Schalk has advanced to the semifinals in 14 of his 29 AVP tournaments (48%), and has done so with 5 different partners

Lotman / Partain are playing together for the 9th time on the AVP Tour and 10th time overall

- Their AVP tournaments together have been spread out (played 2 spread out in 2018, 1 in 2019, 2 in 2021, 4 in 2022)
- In 4 seasons as partners on the AVP (including qualifiers), they are 30-13 (70%) in matches, 23-3 (88%) when winning the first set, 7-10 (41.2%) when losing the first set, and 13-8 (61.9%) in three-set matches
- The duo has played 18 matches this season, and 11 of them have gone to a third set (6-5 in those), including 7 of their last 10 matches...all 5 of their match losses this season have come to teams seeded fourth or better

Paul Lotman – age 36 – 6'7" – hometown Lakewood, Calif. – currently San Diego, Calif. – Long Beach State

- Lotman is playing in his 29th career AVP tournament... this is his 10th different partnership
- Lotman has a best of 3rd four times on the AVP (in Chicago 2021 with Partain and in each of the last 3 events with Partain)... all 7 of his best finishes on the AVP Tour have come with Partain (including Fort Lauderdale)
- Lotman began the year in Austin playing with Skylar del Sol (finished 9th place)

Miles Partain – age 20 – 6'2" – hometown Pacific Palisades, Calif. – currently Pacific Palisades, Calif. - UCLA

- Partain is playing in his 24th AVP tournament with his 8th different partner... he has played 9 times with Lotman and 7 times with his brother Marcus Partain, while the other 8 events came with 6 different partners
- In his first 19 AVP tournaments, he had a best of 5th place... in each of his last 4 events, he has finished in 3rd place