

Chicago – Stadium Court Notes – Sunday, September 4, 2022 – SEMIFINALS
12:20 pm – #4 Taylor Crabb / Taylor Sander vs #5 Phil Dalhausser / Casey Patterson

Head to Head

- These two teams are tied 2-2 in the head to head series... Dalhausser / Patterson won 17-21, 21-19, 15-13 in the New Orleans championship match, then Crabb / Sander won in the Hermosa Beach semifinals 17-21, 23-21, 15-9... Dalhausser / Patterson won the abbreviated Atlanta match 28-23, then on Friday here Crabb / Sander won 21-17, 18-21, 15-13

Taylor Crabb / Sander are playing together for the 7th time on the AVP Tour and 11th time overall

- Duo placed 5th in their AVP debut in Austin, then 2nd in New Orleans and Hermosa Beach before finishing 3rd in Fort Lauderdale, 7th in Atlanta and 3rd in Manhattan Beach
- In 1 season as partners on the AVP, they are 23-10 in matches, 17-3 when winning the first set, 6-6 when losing the first set... they are 0-1 in one-set matches and 9-5 in three-set matches
- They began the season with an 11-3 match record, but then went 5-5... since that point they have gone 7-2
- Of their 10 match losses, 8 have come to teams seeded 1st or 2nd
- They are 2-2 in semifinal matches

Taylor Crabb – age 30 – 6'0" – hometown Honolulu, Hawai'i – currently Redondo Beach, Calif. – Long Beach State

- This is Crabb's 47th AVP event with his 5th different partner
- Crabb has 8 wins (all with Jake Gibb), 11 seconds (with 4 different partners), and 14 thirds
- Crabb led the AVP Tour in victories in 2019 with 4, but has not won since then (Honolulu 2019)
- Crabb has now advanced to the semifinals in 34 of his 47 AVP tournaments (72% of the events)
- Crabb has had 19+ kills and 9+ digs in each of his 3 matches in Chicago so far... he is still looking for his first ace of the tournament

Taylor Sander – age 30 – 6'5" – hometown Corona, Calif. – currently Huntington Beach, Calif. – Brigham Young

- Austin marked his AVP debut... on the AVP Tour he has a career 23-10 match record with 8 of the losses coming against teams seeded first or second and coming against teams with at least one beach Olympian
- Sander has the most total aces of any player on tour this season... after having 19 kills and 2 blocks in the first two Chicago matches combined, he had 15 kills and 4 blocks in his third match here

Dalhausser / Patterson are playing together for the 4th time ever

- They won in New Orleans in their debut, then placed third in both Hermosa Beach and Atlanta
- Patterson's wife Lexi had a baby boy which prevented them from playing in Fort Lauderdale
- Entering this match they are 16-5, including 12-3 when winning the first set and 2-2 when losing the first set... they are 2-0 in one-set matches and 7-4 in three-set matches (started 4-0 but since have gone 3-4)
- They are 1-2 in AVP semifinal matches
- They are the 6th oldest team to ever play in an AVP main draw (missing the 5th spot by less than a week)... here are the oldest:
 - John Hyden / Ricardo Santos in Manhattan Beach 2021
 - Scott Ayakutubby / Brent Frohoff in Manhattan Beach 2008
 - Casey Patterson / Ed Ratledge in Austin 2022
 - Reid Priddy / Ricardo Santos in Honolulu 2019
 - Ty Loomis / Ricardo Santos in Chicago 2019
 - Phil Dalhausser / Casey Patterson in Chicago 2022

Phil Dalhausser – age 42 – 6'9" – hometown Baden, Switzerland – currently Newbury Park, Calif. – Central Florida

- This is Dalhausser's 152nd AVP event, winning 61 titles (plus 38 FIVB wins and 1 NVL victory)... he has 21 seconds, 23 thirds and 1 fourth... he has now been in the semifinals in 107 of his 152 AVP tournaments (70%)
- Since winning in Austin in 2005, Dalhausser won at least one title (AVP or FIVB) in 16 straight seasons before last year
- He is 82-24 in AVP semifinal matches (77%)
- Dalhausser's AVP match record by year the past 3 seasons: 20-7 in 2019, 11-1 in 2020, 2-4 in 2021, 22-11 in 2022 (his next loss will give him as many losses this season as the previous three years combined)
- Dalhausser is playing in Chicago for the 12th time (all on the AVP Tour)... he has 2 wins here (2008 with Todd Rogers and 2016 with Nick Lucena) and played in the championship match 6 times
- This season Dalhausser has played his 8 AVP events (including Chicago) with 3 different partners... this is the first time in his career that he has played with 3 different partners within the same AVP season
- Dalhausser has 2+ aces and 2+ blocks in his last 4 matches here (had just 1 block and 0 aces in his first match)

Casey Patterson – age 42 – 6'6" – hometown Manhattan Beach, Calif. – currently Huntington Beach, Calif. – Brigham Young

- Patterson is playing in his 111th AVP Tournament with his 22nd different partner
- He has 18 wins, 6 second-place finishes, and 18 third-place finishes... he was in the finals in all 3 AVP tournaments last year
- He has now advanced to the semifinals 43 times in his 111 AVP events (39%)
- Patterson is playing in Chicago for the 10th time... he is the defending Chicago champion, having won here last year with Chase Budinger... he also won in 2012 (on another tour) with Ryan Doherty
- In his first time playing in Chicago (2007), he won a qualifier match against Jeff Conover... in that qualifier Conover defeated Kevin Wong and then lost to Patterson (both future beach volleyball Olympians)
- Patterson has 18+ kills and 10+ digs in each of his five matches in Chicago