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Sunday **POLO** Paper



**Santa Clara Faces Beverly Polo
in the Joe Barry Memorial Final**



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TODAY'S FEATURE MATCH

• JOE BARRY MEMORIAL FINAL •



Beverly Polo

1 Bill Ballhaus	2 Lucas Diaz Alberdi	3 Tolito Ocampo	4 Hilario Figueras
			
HANDICAP 0	HANDICAP 6	HANDICAP 6	HANDICAP 4



Santa Clara Polo

1 Keko Magrini	2 Lucas Escobar	3 Luis Escobar	4 Matias Magrini
			
HANDICAP 2	HANDICAP 3	HANDICAP 5	HANDICAP 7



SITE MAP

International Polo Club Palm Beach



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to the International Polo Club Palm Beach

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TEAM PROFILE

Beverly Polo

A newcomer to the high-goal scene at the International Polo Club Palm Beach (IPC), Beverly Polo is led by Bill Ballhaus, who brings his team to Wellington from Beverly Equestrian in The Plains, Virginia. Jumping in the saddle for the first time in 2011, Ballhaus has quickly risen to join 18-goal competition, highlighted by his performance at the conclusion of Wednesday's game. With Beverly Polo trailing in the second half, Ballhaus scored two vital goals, including their 11th goal that pushed the game into overtime. Finding his stride in the #1 position, Ballhaus has effectively pulled Beverly Polo forward, converting 50% of his shots through two games, while working well off the ball.

Leading the team averaging 4.5 goals, Hilario Figueras has justified his increase from a 3-goal to 4-goal handicap in 2021, providing an impressive performance from the penalty line where he has converted 7 of his 8 attempts on the season. From the #4 position, Figueras has been the anchor of Beverly Polo's defence thus far, holding the responsibility of taking their set plays to produce opportunities for his teammates downfield. Still finding his moments to race forward in the game, Figueras brought the ball in front of Palm Beach Equine's goal to set up the overtime winning goal for Ocampo.

Alongside Figueras, Jorge "Tolito" Fernandez



Ocampo Jr. has proven to be a standout player for Beverly Polo. After venturing into the arena in Virginia where he won Most Valuable Player in his first USPA arena tournament, Ocampo has returned to outdoor play in remarkable fashion, leading the team with seven field goals and playing end-to-end polo in the #3 position. With the game on the line in overtime, Ocampo won the throw-in, received a foul, and then found the loose ball to send Beverly Polo to victory last Wednesday. Finding instant chemistry beside Figueras and Lucas Diaz Alberdi, Ocampo will continue to be a player to watch throughout the 18-goal season at IPC.

Few players have had more success in the Joe Barry Memorial in recent years than Lucas Diaz Alberdi. Winning in 2019 with Dutta Corp and in 2020 with Palm Beach Equine, Alberdi has his sights set on a third consecutive title with Beverly Polo, playing the prototypical #2 position. Working tirelessly in the middle of the game to free up space for both Ocampo and Figueras, Alberdi has been a key figure in Beverly Polo's offense, leading the team with four assists. Adding his two goals, Alberdi has been directly involved on half of Beverly Polo's field goals goals, providing a balanced offense that will have Santa Clara's attention on Sunday.



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full-length stick and ball field. Gates Gridley and Ignacio “Nacho” Cabrera have built the program from 10 horses and 100 lessons in 2017 to 28 horses and over 600 lessons in 2020. The School operates from Tuesday through Sunday from October through May and has a string of horses that can accommodate any level of riding, whether you are a beginner looking to try a new sport, or an experienced player looking to participate in practices, leagues, or stick and ball.

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Sunday Polo Schedule

January 3	Joe Barry Cup	18 goal
January 10	Joe Barry Cup	18 goal
January 17	Joe Barry Cup Final	18 goal
January 24	Ylvisaker Cup	18 goal
January 31	Ylvisaker Cup	18 goal
February 7	Ylvisaker Cup Final	18 goal
February 14	2020 USPA Gold Cup® Final	22 goal
February 21	C.V. Whitney Cup	22 goal
February 28	C.V. Whitney Cup	22 goal
March 7	C.V. Whitney Cup Final	22 goal
March 14	USPA Gold Cup®	22 goal
March 20*	U.S. Open Women's Polo Championship® Final	22 goal
March 21	USPA Gold Cup®	22 goal
March 28	USPA Gold Cup® Final	22 goal
April 4	U.S. Open Polo Championship®	22 goal
April 11	U.S. Open Polo Championship®	22 goal
April 18	U.S. Open Polo Championship® Final	22 goal

*Saturday afternoon game


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POLO 101

SPECTATOR'S GUIDE TO THE GAME

FAST GAME	FAST FACTS	
4 PLAYERS per team	6 CHUKKERS or periods in a match	
35 MPH top SPEED of a polo pony	300 YDS X 160 YDS THE SIZE of a regulation polo field. Equivalent to nine football fields	7½ MINUTES in a chukker
48 POLO PONIES are used per game. Most players play one or more horses each chukker.		110 MPH SPEED a polo ball can reach during play
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PLAYER PROFILE

Lucas Escobar

An active Team USPA member, Lucas Escobar, joins Santa Clara for the 2021 18-goal season at the International Polo Club Palm Beach (IPC), scoring five goals in his Joe Barry Memorial debut against Beverly Polo on Sunday. At the young age of 17, Lucas made his debut at the 22-goal level, joining Pieres brothers—Facundo and Gonzalito—in Pilot's starting lineup in the 2020 Gauntlet of Polo[®]. Holding a 3-goal handicap, Lucas has seen his handicap increase steadily over the past three years with his

consistent play, rising from an A handicap in 2017. Slated to be raised to a 4-goal handicap in June of 2021, Lucas competes alongside his father Luis Escobar in the Joe Barry Memorial and Ylvisaker Cup, making him a player to watch for the remainder of the 18-goal season.

Lucas enters the 2021 year after a strong 2020 season that began with valuable experience at the 22-goal level. Averaging 0.9 goals per game, Lucas contributed at the front of the game while working well off the ball in his seven games to provide space for the elite 10-goalers behind him. Building on his early success, Lucas excelled in the summer season at Santa Barbara Polo & Racquet Club, capturing the 2020 America Cup with Santa Clara.

LUCAS ESCOBAR		2020 AVG	SUNDAY AT IPC
	GOALS SCORED	0.9	5
	SHOTS AT GOAL	2.7	4
	SHOOTING %	32%	100%
	THROW-INS WON	0.4	4
	ASSISTS	0.7	1
HANDICAP: 3			



With the victory, Lucas added to an impressive resume that also included titles in the 2019 Silver Air Pacific Coast Open, as well as the 2017 National Youth Tournament Series Championship[®], playing for the Florida Region. However, of his notable tournament victories, the 2019 Westchester Cup held at IPC may top the list, where Lucas earned the Most Valuable Player award, scoring four of USA's six goals in the victory over England. One year older and holding one more goal on handicap,

Lucas entered the opening game of the season on the Home of the U.S. Polo Assn - Field 1, displaying an impressive performance that was crucial in Santa Clara's thrilling 11-10 overtime victory. Scoring five goals and providing a dynamic duo alongside Keko Magrini, Lucas shot a perfect 4 for 4 from the field, while adding an assist. Lucas' steady improvement year after year demonstrates his progression into high-goal play and will prove to be a significant factor for Santa Clara throughout the rest of the 2021 Joe Barry Memorial.

Lucas returns to the fields of IPC as Santa Clara faces Palm Beach Equine on Wednesday at 3:30pm, with a victory securing their place in next Sunday's final.

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Wednesday, January 20, 2021 • 3:00 p.m.

Beverly Polo vs Aspen/Dutta Corp.

Thursday, January 21 • 3:00 p.m.

Tamera vs Palm Beach Equine

Sunday, January 24 • 3:00 p.m.

Aspen/Dutta Corp. vs Palm Beach Equine



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2021 Joe Barry Memorial Final

Sunday, January 17, 2021 • 3:00 p.m.

U.S. Polo Assn. Field 1



TEAM Santa Clara Polo

COLORS _____

Rating	Pos.	PLAYER		1	2	3	4	5	6	Of	Totals	
2	1	K. Magrini										
3	2	Lucas Escobar										
5	3	Luis Escobar										
7	4	M. Magrini										
	ALT											
17	Team Rating			Totals						By handicap		0
												TOTAL



TEAM Beverly Polo

COLORS _____

Rating	Pos.	PLAYER		1	2	3	4	5	6	Of	Totals	
0	1	B.Ballhaus										
6	2	L. Diaz Alberdi										
6	3	T. Ocampo										
4	4	H. Figueras										
	ALT											
16	Team Rating			Totals						By handicap		0
Defending Champion:												TOTAL

Defending Champion:

Today's Announcer: **Tony Coppola**



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