



MATCH NOTES

MATCH 19

Vegas Thrill (6-12) vs. Grand Rapids Rise (9-9)



Saturday | April 20 | 7 p.m. PT

YouTube

Lee's Family Forum | Henderson, Nevada

Vegas Head Coach	Fran Flory	Grand Rapids Head Coach	Cathy George
Thrill Record (1st season)	6-12 (.333)	Rise Record (1st season)	9-9 (.500)
Career Record (32nd season)	521-425 (.550)	Career Record (36th Season) ...	676-466 (.592)

SERIES NOTES: This will be the fourth all-time meeting between the Thrill and Rise. Grand Rapids leads the all-time series 2-1. In the first matchup, Vegas recorded the first reverse sweep in league history on March 17 at the Van Andel Arena. The Thrill dropped the next outing against Grand Rapids in four sets on March 26 at the Lee's Family Forum. In the most recent meeting, Vegas fell in a five-set thriller on April 13 at Van Andel Arena.

BROADCAST INFORMATION



Today's match will be broadcast on youtube.com/@realprovb
Today's announcer team includes:
Victoria Dennis (Analyst) and A.J. Kanell (Play-by-Play)

WELCOME TO PROFESSIONAL VOLLEYBALL

The Vegas Thrill are one of seven teams taking the court in the inaugural season of Pro Volleyball Federation. Below are a few facts about Las Vegas and Pro Volleyball Federation.

- Pro Volleyball Federation head coaches have combined for more than 2,500 career victories.
- The League boasts 17 players from the United States who have played with the National Team. Overall, there are 35 players who have been part of an Olympic or National Team.
- The Thrill are the sixth professional sports team to be based out of Las Vegas (Vegas Golden Knights, Las Vegas Raiders, Las Vegas Aces, Las Vegas Aviators, Las Vegas Lights FC).

VEGAS - GRAND RAPIDS CONNECTIONS

- Thrill outside hitter Gabby Gonzales and Rise setter Mac Podraza played four seasons together at Ohio State (2019-22). The duo led the Buckeyes to a combined record of 80-37, including two NCAA Regional Semifinal appearances (2020 and 2021) and an NCAA Regional Final appearance (2022).
- Thrill middle blocker Berkeley Oblad and Rise outside hitter Shannon Scully were teammates together at Utah for the 2017 season. The duo led the Utes to a combined record of 24-10 and an NCAA Regional Semifinal appearance.



VEGAS THRILL COMMUNICATIONS

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2024 SCHEDULE

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
02/07	at Omaha	W 3-2
02/10	at Orlando	L 3-1
02/15	Omaha	L 3-1
02/19	San Diego	W 3-0
02/22	Orlando	L 3-1
02/24	Columbus	L 3-0
02/26	at Columbus	L 3-1
02/29	at San Diego	W 3-2
03/04	Atlanta	L 3-0
03/09	at Atlanta	L 3-1
03/11	at Columbus	W 3-1
03/17	at Grand Rapids	W 3-2
03/24	San Diego	L 3-0
03/26	Grand Rapids	L 3-1
03/30	at Omaha	L 3-0
04/08	Atlanta	L 3-0
04/13	at Grand Rapids	L 3-2
04/17	Columbus	W 3-0
04/20	Grand Rapids	7 p.m.
04/26	at San Diego	7 p.m.
04/28	at Atlanta	11 a.m.
05/01	Orlando	7 p.m.
05/06	Omaha	7 p.m.
05/11	at Orlando	1 p.m.

All times Pacific Standard and subject to change



NEWS

LAST OUTING

The Vegas Thrill defeated the Columbus Fury in a three-set sweep on April 17 at the Lee's Family Forum. With the victory, Vegas broke a five-match losing streak. In the match, outside hitter Khat Bell recorded her seventh double-double of the season with 15 kills and 17 digs, while setter Alisha Glass Childress collected her ninth with 41 assists and 14 digs.

VEGAS THRILL SIGN MCKENNA VICINI

The Lexington, Kentucky, native spent five seasons at Stanford. The outside hitter was a national champion in her freshman season with the Cardinals in 2019. During her time with the program, she was a three-time Pac-12 champion and a two-time All-Pac-12 Conference honorable mention. Vicini was coached under current teammate Alisha Glass Childress, who was an assistant coach at the time and Thrill associate head coach Denise Corlett.

VEGAS THRILL SIGN ERIN LIVINGSTON

The Corona, California, native spent five seasons with BYU (2019-23). In her senior year, Livingston led Cougars with 456 kills, which ranked No. 21 nationally. She recorded double-digit kills in 28 of 32 matches, including the final 13 matches. The outside hitter also had 142 digs, 48 total blocks and 28 service aces. During her stint with the program, Livingston was a four-time All-American.

VEGAS THRILL SIGN PAYTON CAFFREY

The four-year pro out of Chuluota, Florida, spent two seasons with West Virginia (2016-17). During her time with the program, she was named All-Big 12 First Team twice and earned AVCA All-Midwest Regional Honorable Mention. The outside hitter then transferred to Florida State in 2018, playing for the Seminoles indoor and beach volleyball team. Caffrey played for the indoor team in 2018 and 2019, she was named the 2018 ACC Player of the Year and an AVCA All-American Honorable Mention in 2018. Caffrey played three seasons for the beach volleyball team (2019-21) leaving the program ranked No. 3 all-time in career winning percentage (.859) and No. 20 all-time in wins (73).

LEAGUE LEADER IN ASSITS

Thrill setter Alisha Glass Childress currently leads the league in assists with 748. The setter has gathered at least 30 assists in 17 matches, including a season-high 57 at the San Diego Mojo (Feb. 29). Glass Childress additionally has collected at least 10 digs on five different occasions with a season-high 19 against the Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 15). In her most recent outing against the Columbus Fury (April 17) she had 41 assists, 14 digs and two blocks.

TEXAS NATIONAL CHAMPIONS (2012)

Thrill players Khat Bell and Molly McCage were teammates at Texas during the 2012 National Championship run. The duo led the Longhorns to a combined 31-4 record that season. During the championship match, McCage recorded a season-high eight total blocks, four kills and one dig, while Bell collected six total blocks, four kills and three digs.

GLASS CHILDRESS NAMED PLAYER OF THE WEEK

Thrill setter Alisha Glass Childress was the first setter in league history to be named to the Pro Volleyball Federation Player of the Week. Glass Childress averaged 11.2 assists in the tight five-set victory over Grand Rapids (Mar. 19). Glass Childress racked up 10 digs, four kills and three blocks in the match.

U.S. NATIONAL TEAM MEMBERS

Thrill players Alisha Glass Childress and Molly McCage each represented the U.S. National Team. Glass Childress represented the U.S. team as a player and as an assistant coach. As a player, Glass Childress led Team USA to a bronze medal at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio, where she earned Best Setter honors. She was also selected Best Setter of the 2016 NORCECA Olympic Qualification Tournament, guiding the U.S. to gold and an automatic spot in the Rio Games. The Leland, Michigan, native also served as an assistant coach with the U.S. National Team at the 2018 Pan American Cup, where the U.S. rallied to win gold over the host Dominican Republic team. McCage also represented team USA, winning gold at the Pan American Cup in 2018.

RECENT TRANSACTIONS

- ⇒ The Thrill signed outside hitter Erin Livingston to a contract (April 16).
- ⇒ The Thrill signed outside hitter Payton Caffrey to a contract (April 16).
- ⇒ The Thrill waived Meghan Jemison (April 16).
- ⇒ The Thrill have placed middle blocker Molly McCage on Short-Term Injured Reserve (April 11).
- ⇒ The Thrill signed middle blocker McKenna Vicini to a contract (April 11).
- ⇒ The Thrill waived Hannah Pukis (April 6).
- ⇒ Libero Madison Schermerhorn was elevated to the active roster (April 6).
- ⇒ The Thrill waived Hannah Pukis (April 6).

FRANCHISE FIRSTS

STAT	FIRST
Serve	Alisha Glass Childress at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Dig	Kylie Murr at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Set	Alisha Glass Childress at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Assist	Alisha Glass Childress at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Block	Molly McCage at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Ace	Hannah Maddux at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Point	Layne Van Buskirk at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Successful Challenge	Block touch challenge (13-10) Thrill at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7)
Set Win	Second set at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Set Loss	First set at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Three-Set Win	Thrill vs. Mojo (Feb. 19).
Four-Set Win	Thrill at Fury (March 11).
Five-Set Win	Thrill at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).
Home Victory	Thrill vs. Mojo (Feb. 19).
Road Victory	Thrill at Omaha Supernovas (Feb. 7).

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PROJECTED STARTERS



OH-Maddux



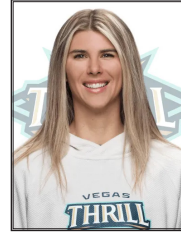
OH-Gonzales



OPP-Bell



MB-Van Buskirk



MB-Oblad



S-Glass Childress



L-Murr

ALPHABETICAL ROSTER

* - Franchise Tagged Players

NO.	NAME	POS	HT	EXP	HOMETOWN	COLLEGE	ACQUIRED	INSTAGRAM
1	Khat Bell	OH	6-2	8	San Diego, CA	Texas	FA	@_khatbell
6	Alisha Glass Childress	S	6-0	9	Leland, MI	Penn State	FA	@aglass1_6
14	Payton Caffrey	OH	6-0	R	Chuluota, FL	Florida State	FA	@paytoncaffrey
15	Gabby Gonzales	OH	6-3	R	Marietta, GA	Ohio State/Oregon	DR	@gabbygonzaless
21	Ainise Havili	S	5-10	4	Fort Worth, TX	Kansas	FA	@ahavili
91	Saskia Hippe	OPP	5-10	15	Berlin, Germany	-	FA	@saskia_hippe
18	Erin Livingston	OH	6-2	R	Corona, CA	BYU	FA	@_erin_livingston
11	Hannah Maddux	OH	6-2	R	San Antonio, TX	South Alabama	DR	@hannah.maddux
19	Amani McArthur	ALT/MB	6-3	R	Kennesaw, GA	Mich. State	FA	@lovely_maniiii
5	Molly McCage	MB	6-3	8	Spring, TX	Texas	FA	@mollymccage
4	Kylie Murr	L	5-6	R	Yorktown, IN	Ohio State/Minnesota	DR	@kyliemurr
12	Berkeley Oblad	MB	6-4	4	Henderson, NV	Utah	FA	@berkeleydawn12
10	Paulina Prieto-Cerame	OPP	6-2	4	San Juan, PR	Penn State/Texas	FA	@paulinaprietoceramee
17	Kenna Sauer	OH	6-1	R	Ankeny, IA	Houston/Texas Tech/Missouri	FA	@kenna_sauer
2	Madison Schermerhorn	ATL/L	5-10	R	Ligonier, IN	Purdue	DR	@m_schermerhorn
7	Layne Van Buskirk	MB	6-4	4	Windsor, Canada	Pitt	FA	@laynevanbuskirk
28	McKenna Vicini	MB	6-2	R	Lexington, Kentucky	Stanford	FA	@mckennavicini

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach: Fran Flory (Texas, 1984)

Associate Head Coach: Denise Corlett (UCLA, 1981)

Assistant Coach: Melody Nua (UNLV, 2009)

FA = Free Agency DR = Draft TR = Trade

NUMERICAL

- 1 Khat Bell
- 2 Madison Schermerhorn
- 4 Kylie Murr
- 5 Molly McCage
- 6 Alisha Glass Childress
- 7 Layne Van Buskirk
- 10 Paulina Prieto-Cerame
- 11 Hannah Maddux
- 12 Berkeley Oblad
- 14 Payton Caffrey
- 15 Gabby Gonzales
- 17 Kenna Sauer
- 18 Erin Livingston
- 19 Amani McArthur
- 21 Ainise Havili
- 24 Meghan Jemison
- 28 McKenna Vicini
- 91 Saskia Hippe

FROM WHERE?

Texas	3
California	3
Georgia	2
Indiana	2
Florida	1
Nevada	1
Michigan	1
Iowa	1
Kentucky	1
Canada	1
Puerto Rico	1
Germany	1

PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Name	Pronunciation
Khat Bell	CAT
Maddie Schermerhorn	SKIMMER-horn
Kylie Murr	KIE-lee murr
Molly McCage	mic-CAGE
Alisha Glass Childress	uh-LEESH-uh
Paulina Prieto-Cerame	PREE-et-toe se-RAH-may
Berkeley Oblad	BURK-lee OH-blad
Kenna Sauer	KEN-nuh SOUR
Amani McArthur	uh-MON-nee
Ainise Havili	uh-NEE-say huh-VEE-lee
Saskia Hippe	SAW-skee-uh HIP-ay
McKenna Vicini	Muh-KEN-nuh Vi-CHEE-nee
Erin Livingston	LIV-ing-stun
Associate Head Coach: Denise Corlett	COR-lett
Assistant Coach: Melody Nua	NEW-uh

HEAD COACH FRAN FLORY

Former head coach in the SEC, Fran Flory becomes the first head coach in franchise history of the Vegas Thrill. Flory comes to the Thrill after spending 24 seasons at LSU, along with 32 total years of coaching experience. Flory is the longest-tenured head coach at LSU and the Tigers winningest coach in program history with 405 victories, including nine NCAA Tournament appearances, seven 20-win seasons, seven SEC West divisional titles, and the 2009 SEC Championship. During her time with the Tigers, Flory coached 49 All-SEC recipients and 16 AVCA All-South Region selections, including AVCA All-Americans Brittnee Cooper (2007-2009) and Taylor Bannister (2017, 2019). Cooper was also named SEC Player of the Year in 2009, while Elena Martinez won back-to-back SEC Defensive Player of the Year awards in 2007 and 2008. Flory started her coaching career as the head coach at Wittenberg (1986), then was an assistant coach at Texas A&M (1987). Flory also served as an assistant coach for LSU from 1988-91, then held head coaching stints at Southeastern Louisiana (1992) and Kentucky (1993-1997). Before returning to Baton Rouge, Louisiana, becoming the head coach at LSU in 1998. At the time, Flory was the fifth head coach in program history for the Tigers. In her 32 years of coaching, Flory has collected 515 wins. In 2022, she was inducted into the American Volleyball Coaches Association's Hall of Fame. Flory also had a lot of success as a player the University of Texas (1980-83). The outside hitter was a member of Texas' AIAW National Championship squad. She received All-Southwest Conference and All-South Region honors during all three seasons with the Longhorns.



Coaching History

2024-present.....	Vegas Thrill (Head Coach)
2014-16.....	LSU Beach (Head Coach)
1998-2021.....	LSU (Head Coach)
1993-1997.....	Kentucky (Head Coach)
1992.....	Southern Louisiana (Head Coach)
1988-1991.....	LSU (Assistant Coach)
1987.....	Texas A&M (Assistant Coach)
1986.....	Wittenberg (Head Coach)

Year-By-Year (as Head Coach)

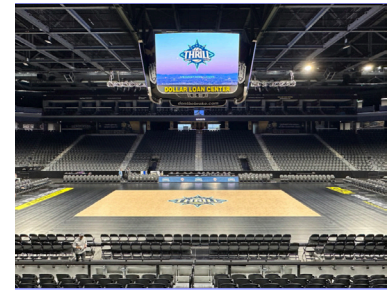
Year	School	Overall	Conference	Home Record	Postseason
2021	LSU	13-14	9-9 / SEC	6-5	--
2020/21	LSU	9-11	9-13 / SEC	8-2	--
2019	LSU	15-13	9-9 / SEC	6-5	--
2018	LSU	12-17	7-11 / SEC	5-7	--
2017	LSU	20-10	11-7 / SEC	8-3	NCAA First Round
2016	LSU	9-20	4-14 / SEC	2-11	--
2015	LSU	9-20	4-7 / SEC	4-7	--
2014	LSU	20-9	14-4 / SEC	7-2	NCAA Second Round
2013	LSU	19-13	8-10 / SEC	7-6	NCAA Second Round
2012	LSU	12-17	8-12 / SEC	5-5	--
2011	LSU	19-11	12-8 / SEC	9-5	--
2010	LSU	25-5	16-4 / SEC	12-1	NCAA First Round
2009	LSU	25-7	18-2 / SEC	12-3	NCAA Second Round
2008	LSU	18-10	13-7 / SEC	8-2	NCAA First Round
2007	LSU	25-8	15-5 / SEC	13-2	NCAA Second Round
2006	LSU	26-6	16-4 / SEC	11-2	NCAA First Round
2005	LSU	21-8	11-5 / SEC	6-0	NCAA First Round
2004	LSU	17-12	8-8 / SEC	8-5	--
2003	LSU	11-19	6-10 / SEC	6-6	--
2002	LSU	17-11	9-7 / SEC	5-4	--
2001	LSU	16-11	10-5 / SEC	8-2	--
2000	LSU	15-17	6-9 / SEC	7-7	--
1999	LSU	17-15	7-8 / SEC	10-4	--
1998	LSU	15-16	5-10 / SEC	8-5	--
1997	Kentucky	14-17	4-10 / SEC	6-7	--
1996	Kentucky	12-20	8-6 / SEC	10-8	--
1995	Kentucky	10-18	7-7 / SEC	5-5	--
1994	Kentucky	13-21	8-6 / SEC	8-5	--
1993	Kentucky	29-4	12-2 / SEC	17-1	NCAA Second Round
1992	Southeastern La.	21-13	--	--	--
1986	Wittenberg	11-21	4-12 / OAC	--	--
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Totals	31 Years	515-302	240-206	227-127	

Lee's Family Forum

200 S Green Valley Pkwy
Henderson, Nevada 89012

The Lee's Family Forum (formerly Dollar Loan Center) is the home of the Vegas Thrill. The Foley Entertainment Group announced April 2 that the multi-purpose sports and entertainment arena was being renamed the Lee's Family Forum. The new name was made possible through a partnership agreement between Foley Entertainment Group and the Lee Family, which owns local-based business Lee's Discount Liquors.

The state-of-the-art arena located in Henderson, Nevada, was opened in March 2022. The \$84 million project took only a span of 18 months to build. The arena has a capacity of 5,567 seats, while holding 28 suites. Lee's Family Forum is not only the home of the Thrill, but also hosts the Henderson Silver Knights (AHL affiliate of the Vegas Golden Knights), the Vegas Knight Hawks of the Indoor Football League and the NBA G League Ignite.



LFF QUICK FACTS

Grand Opening.....	March 8, 2022
Construction	Sept. 2020-Feb. 2022
First Professional Game.....	Silver Knights vs. Condors, April 2, 2022
First Thrill Match.....	Thrill vs. Supernovas, Feb. 15, 2024
Cost.....	\$84 million
Capacity.....	5,567
Suites	28
Square Feet.....	200,000
Ownership Group	Foley Entertainment Group
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	Andy Abboud
	City+Ventures: Danny White

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Pro Volleyball Federation, USA Volleyball Announce Alliance

Pro Volleyball Federation has teamed up with USA Volleyball – the national governing body of the sport in the U.S. – to promote volleyball at its highest level.

USA Volleyball will support Pro Volleyball Federation's professional league in America, which launched in January. The partnership reinforces the League's commitment to work with USA Volleyball clubs, athletes and regions while USAV supports Pro Volleyball Federation's commitment to providing top professional opportunities to America's greatest female volleyball players.

Pro Volleyball Federation currently boasts 17 players from the United States who have spent time in the U.S. National Team gym. In total, there are 35 domestic and international players in the League who have been part of their respective country's Olympic or national team system.

More than 135 athletes have signed contracts to play in the inaugural season of Pro Volleyball Federation. They will be led by a group of accomplished coaches who have combined for more than 2,500 career victories.

PRO VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION



Pro Volleyball Federation is REAL PRO VOLLEYBALL and the premier women's professional volleyball league in North America. Pro Volleyball Federation will begin play in January 2024 with world class players and coaches, including some of America's

greatest volleyball players and elite players from around the world. Our entire focus is on ensuring that our level and quality of play, our treatment of players, the quality of our event presentations, and our day-to-day fan experience is world class and the very best offered in North America. For more information, visit ProVolleyball.com.

2024 Pro Volleyball Federation Standings

	W	L	PCT.	Home	Away
Atlanta Vibe	16	5	.761	8-2	8-3
Omaha Supernovas	11	6	.647	6-3	5-3
Grand Rapids Rise	9	9	.500	5-4	4-5
San Diego Mojo	7	8	.467	4-4	3-4
Orlando Valkyries	7	11	.389	3-6	4-5
Columbus Fury	6	10	.375	4-4	2-6
Vegas Thrill	6	12	.294	2-7	4-5

UPCOMING PRO VOLLEYBALL FEDERATION SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 20

Grand Rapids at Vegas 7 p.m. PT

Sunday, April 21

Atlanta at Orlando 2 p.m. ET

Tuesday, April 23

Omaha at San Diego 7 p.m. ET

Friday, April 26

Orlando at Columbus 7 p.m. ET

Friday, April 26

Grand Rapids at Omaha 7 p.m. ET

Friday, April 26

Orlando at Columbus 7 p.m. ET

Friday, April 26

Vegas at San Diego 7 p.m. ET

Sunday, April 28

Grand Rapids at Columbus 7 p.m. ET



COMING IN 2025

Dallas

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