

## 2025 Unfrozen Caveman – Preview

The Serb was skeptical. This plan in the works for five years. Five years of talking about Pebble Beach. Dreaming of The Skins game at Pebble Beach. Five years of saving. Many savings plans contemplated. The cockamamie finger basket concept was floated. After all, this is the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary edition of the oldest and Hands-Down the greatest and most glorious Major of all time. The Serb admits, 25 years of UFC is a pretty spectacular achievement. So is The 25 in store.

### UNFROZEN CAVEMAN SILVER ANNIVERSARY



The Serb often questions this TD (and his boss) for the locations and venues choice. Truth to Power! This year, The Serb has only semi-sincere bravissimos for NoCal and these tracks: Pasatiempo (the pros' favorite), Bayonet (the hardest course in Cali), Pacific Grove (the Majors' caddie hidden gem), and the PB triumvirate. A lineup worthy of the 25<sup>th</sup> Unfrozen Caveman. Beautiful. Well done, TD! The Weather is the weather. Cloudy and 60's. Marine layer burning off in the late morning. The June gloom is a thing? The Serb is a trained meteorologist in four countries and The Serb ain't never heard of it. Only Portola could go Cragen, the Pebble Beach Lodge, even if boarded up and off limits, will be total snobbery, which The Serb loves.

And what a great field we have! Major loyalists and bucket listers, alike, have come from far and wide and long for The 25. [Note: The odd wording in this sentence has maxed out The Serb's knowledge of proper comma usage.]

- All is right: TST and LUF are back (The Serb can breathe).
- Many mainstays are here: BT5 (25 strong), W, BDD, YCC, TW5, PTG, TBK (The Serb still surprised, but endlessly aglow), DOED, and The Serb's boy, ATR.
- The noobs and semi-noobs: MSG (back again), BKB (back again, 1 for 1), AMB (UFC rookie), and HRM (Majors rookie).

Serb Bites

Indexes cause Pause: HRM at 19.5, BKB at 14.2 – oh boy. Two favorites there!

Proud New Papas: LUF, DOED, PTG – getting ready to carry the water.

Our Defending Champion: STL is out. On the DL. Focused on Madison in July. A drop in buzz?

OMS Perspectives: Get in line for Pac Grove! Run from Bayonet! The "Random Draw" matters.

Caddy Day: Only W and AMB have fully ponied for Pony Boy. Big advantage? Is it really club selection?

Playing Pebble: The Serb if could envision anyone better off than The Serb, The Serb would spew jealousy.

Finally, The Serb would be far too remiss to not wonder... With all the planning, all that buildup, all the work of the TD, all the hoopla and anticipation, what in The Serbing Serb gives? The Serb is not prone to emotion, but The Serb is a bit perturbed. How is it that so many could talk so glowingly about this singular event for half a decade and then, when it all got real, could decide so easily to just go other directions and to do other things? As if they were Peeps just not going to lunch. Biggest UFC in history. At home or at points unknown: TT, JUD, SWT, JRY, GNR, MGY, WAR, ERN, and MEL. Sad.

The Serb will be right back. The Serb needs a tissue. Who is that pounding on The Serb's door?

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**NOTE:** The Preview above ended abruptly with the recent developments for our beloved The Serb... the remaining comments below were provided "remotely" by The Serb after the recent developments for our beloved The Serb... The Serb is always the consummate professional.

### The Serb's Prediction (from inside this burlap bag over The Serb's head):



Pretenders:  
In the Mix:  
Contenders:

PTG, ATR, LUF, YCC, TST  
BDD, W, AMB, BT5, MSG  
HRM, BKB, DOED, TW5, TBK

Darkhorses to Win: MSG, W, PTG  
**2025 UFC Winner: BKB**

**With the Following Message from The Serb: "A Major's Culture of no fear? The Serb's ASS! We'll speak again. Truth to Power!"**