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VELUX EHF Champions League
Season 2019/20

MATCH **WEEK** *OF THE*

Group A, Round 4
Aalborg Handbold (DEN)
vs
MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN)

Jutlander Bank Arena (Aalborg Ost, DEN)
Sunday 13 October, 16:50 CET



Aalborg Handbold (DEN) vs MOL-Pick Szeged (HUN)

Group A



Most games vs MOL-Pick Szeged:

Johan Olaf Ask, Niclas Andreas Barud, Emil Berggren, Rasmus Carlsen, Mads Christiansen, Rune Spliid Christiansen, Buster Juul-Larsen Engelbrecht, Ole Erevik, Ingimundur Ingimundarson, Christian Jensen, Henrik Møllgaard Jensen, Magnus Saugstrup Jensen, Simon Hald Jensen, Jannick Green Krejberg, Jonas Erik Larholm, Jan Emanuel Lennartsson, Tobias Möller, Nicolai Nygaard Pedersen, Sören Pedersen, Sander Sagosen, Morten Andreas Slundt, Havard Tvedten, Soren Westphal each 2

Most goals vs MOL-Pick Szeged:

Jonas Erik Larholm	20
Jan Emanuel Lennartsson	13
Sander Sagosen	13
Havard Tvedten	9
Kristian Kjelling	7

Domestic league

Primo Tours Ligaen

Last 3 games:

09/10 @ TTH Holstebro	W25:27
04/10 vs Lemvig-Thyborøn	W28:27
04/09 @ SønderjyskE	W22:29

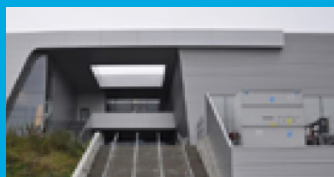
Next game:

16/10 vs Fredericia HK

Standings as of 11/10:

1. Aalborg	7	209:83	13
2. Bjerringbro-S.	6	194:163	9
3. Ribe-Esbjerg	6	166:156	9
4. Holstebro	7	207:186	8
5. GOG	7	212:208	8
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14. Kolding	6	156:197	1

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Playing hall

Jutlander Bank Arena
Willy Brandts Vej 31
9220 Aalborg Ost
Denmark
Capacity: 4,666

- Aalborg are the biggest surprise of the VELUX EHF Champions League group phase so far with three victories from three matches against Elverum, Zagreb and Celje
- Aalborg already have more points than after the entire group phase of 2017/18, when they finished with five points
- Szeged started brilliantly by beating Barça, then lost against PSG and tied with Flensburg
- players from these two teams were ranked first and second in the EHF Player of the Month September voting: Bogdan Radivojevic (Szeged) and Sebastian Barthold (Aalborg)
- the duo lead the CL top scorer list with 21 goals each. Both reached double figures in a single match: Radivojevic netted 11 against Flensburg (24:24), Barthold 12 against Zagreb (30:20)
- Barthold is one of three Norwegians in Aalborg's all-Scandinavian squad, alongside two Icelanders and one Swede
- Iceland (Stefan Sigurmannsson) and Sweden (team captain Jonas Källman) are also represented in Szeged's squad
- Aalborg's roster includes two 2016 Olympic champions: Henrik Møllgaard and Mads Christiansen. Møllgaard is also a world champion (2019), Christiansen an EHF EURO champion (2012)
- Møllgaard and Szeged's newcomer Luka Stepancic were teammates at PSG Handball
- from four previous CL meetings, Szeged have won two matches, Aalborg one, and they recorded one draw
- Aalborg reached the Last 16 twice while Szeged were quarter-finalists five times, including three times in the past five seasons
- four Szeged players have won the CL: Jonas Källman (Ciudad Real/2006, 2008, 2009), Bogdan Radivojevic (Flensburg/2014), Jorge Maqueda and Joan Canellas (both Vardar/2017)
- Maqueda was world champion (2013) and Canellas EHF EURO champion (2018) with Spain, and coach Juan Carlos Pastor steered Spain to their first ever world title in 2005
- Pastor also won two European Cup competitions: the Cup Winners' Cup 2009 (Valladolid) and the EHF Cup 2014 (Szeged)
- Szeged's EHF Cup triumph in 2014 makes them the only non-German club to win the title since 2004. On Pastor's 46th birthday, they beat Montpellier in the final in Berlin
- Szeged goalkeepers Roland Mikler and Mirko Alilovic are former teammates from Telekom Veszprém HC
- eight different nations are represented in Szeged's squad: Hungary, Croatia, Serbia, Slovenia, Spain, Iceland, Czech Republic and Russia
- Szeged have the tallest squad of all 28 teams in the CL this season, with an average height of 1.96m. Aalborg's players average 1.91m in height

Round 4



Most games vs Aalborg Handbold:

Attila Vadkerti	4
Szabolcs Zubai	3
Gabor Ancsin, Adam Bajorhegyi, Maros Balaz, Zsolt Balogh, Alen Blazevic, Dean Bombac, Maxim Butenko, Roberto Garcia Parrondo, Peter Grünfelder, Ferenc Ilyes, Jonas Källman, Mate Lekai, Roland Mikler, Rajko Prodanovic, Jose Manuel Sierra Mendez, Frantisek Sulc, Peter Tatai, Robert Teimel, Szabolcs Törő, Michal Toth, Piotr Wyszomirski	each 2

Most goals vs Aalborg Handbold:

Zsolt Balogh	17
Szabolcs Zubai	12
Frantisek Sulc	11
Mate Lekai	10
Szabolcs Törő	8

Domestic league

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Last 3 games:

08/10 @ Orosházi FKSE	W30:42
05/10 vs Mezökövesdi KC	W40:19
25/09 @ Tatabánya KC	W28:34

Next game:

16/10 vs Balatonfüredi KSE

Standings as of 11/10:

1. Veszprém	7	272:172	14
2. Szeged	7	254:169	14
3. Ferencváros	5	148:125	10
4. Gyöngyös	5	152:127	8
5. Csurgó	6	150:147	7
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14. Vác	6	133:197	0

Previous matches in European Cup competitions

Aalborg Handbold vs MOL-Pick Szeged 1-1-2 (110:118) 3:5

10.10.2010	Pick Szeged vs AaB Handball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	37:28 (18:13)
06.03.2011	AaB Handball vs Pick Szeged, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	34:30 (17:19)
12.10.2014	Aalborg Handball vs MOL-Pick Szeged, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	25:28 (11:15)
22.02.2015	MOL-Pick Szeged vs Aalborg Handball, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	23:23 (10:10)a

Aalborg Handbold vs Hungarian clubs 2-1-3

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2010/11	Pick Szeged	34:30	28:37	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C
2014/15	MOL-Pick Szeged	25:28	23:23	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D
2017/18	Telekom Veszprém HC	29:26	24:30	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

MOL-Pick Szeged vs Danish clubs 11-2-5

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
1982/83	KFUM Fredericia	27:16	29:27	Cup Winners' Cup – Last 16
1983/84	Helsingør IF	31:21	23:25	Cup Winners' Cup – Quarter-final
2007/08	GOG Svendborg TGI Gudme	34:33	25:28	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 4
2010/11	AaB Handball	37:28	30:34	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C
2011/12	AG Kobenhavn	31:34	24:36	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D
2014/15	Aalborg Handball	23:23	28:25	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D
2015/16	KIF Kolding Kobenhavn	34:23	27:22	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2016/17	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	33:24	26:24	VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16
2018/19	Skjern Handbold	33:33	29:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

Last 10 games in the VELUX EHF Champions League:

Aalborg Handbold: current run – won three

29.09.2019	Celje SLO	@ RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO	W 28:29
22.09.2019	Aalborg DEN	vs HC PPD Zagreb CRO	W 30:20
15.09.2019	Elverum NOR	@ Elverum Handball NOR	W 24:34
04.03.2018	Aalborg DEN	vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER	L 24:31
24.02.2018	Celje SLO	@ RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO	L 32:28
18.02.2018	Aalborg DEN	vs THW Kiel GER	L 20:27
07.02.2018	Brest BLR	@ HC Meshkov Brest BLR	D 23:23
02.12.2017	Paris FRA	@ Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	L 31:28
26.11.2017	Aalborg DEN	vs Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 29:26
18.11.2017	Kielce POL	@ PGE Vive Kielce POL	L 28:27

MOL-Pick Szeged: current run – winless two

28.09.2019	Szeged HUN	vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER	D 24:24
22.09.2019	Paris FRA	@ Paris Saint-Germain HB FRA	L 30:25
14.09.2019	Szeged HUN	vs Barça ESP	W 31:28
05.05.2019	Szeged HUN	vs HC Vardar MKD	W 25:29
25.04.2019	Skopje MKD	@ HC Vardar MKD	L 31:23
31.03.2019	Szeged HUN	vs Orlen Wisła Płock POL	W 23:16
24.03.2019	Płock POL	@ Orlen Wisła Płock POL	W 20:22
03.03.2019	Szeged HUN	vs HC PPD Zagreb CRO	D 26:26
23.02.2019	Nantes FRA	@ HBC Nantes FRA	L 29:26
17.02.2019	Szeged HUN	vs HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 30:29



Most Goals in one game Aalborg Handbold vs MOL-Pick Szeged:

Jonas Erik Larholm	11	06.03.2011	AaB Handball-Pick Szeged	34:30
Jonas Erik Larholm	9	10.10.2010	Pick Szeged-AaB Handball	37:28
Sander Sagosen	9	12.10.2014	Aalborg Handball-MOL-Pick Szeged	25:28
Jan Emanuel Lennartsson	8	06.03.2011	AaB Handball-Pick Szeged	34:30
Kristian Kjelling	7	10.10.2010	Pick Szeged-AaB Handball	37:28

Most Goals in one game MOL-Pick Szeged vs Aalborg Handbold:

Zsolt Balogh	13	12.10.2014	Aalborg Handball-MOL-Pick Szeged	25:28
David Katzirz	7	10.10.2010	Pick Szeged-AaB Handball	37:28
Frantisek Sulc	7	10.10.2010	Pick Szeged-AaB Handball	37:28
Mate Lekai	6	10.10.2010	Pick Szeged-AaB Handball	37:28
Szabolcs Zubai	6	10.10.2010	Pick Szeged-AaB Handball	37:28
Szabolcs Törő	6	06.03.2011	AaB Handball-Pick Szeged	34:30
Dean Bombac	6	12.10.2014	Aalborg Handball-MOL-Pick Szeged	25:28

Details of last Aalborg Handbold vs MOL-Pick Szeged match: 22.05.2015 (Szeged, HUN)

MOL-Pick Szeged-Aalborg Handball 23:23 (10:10)

(VELUX EHF Champions League, Group D)

Referees: Zigmars Stolarovs/Renars Licis (Latvia).

Suspensions: 4' – 8' (Blazevic 4' – Tvedten 2', Simon Hald Jensen 4', Barud 2').

Number of 7m: 3/2 – 2/2.

Attendance: 3,000.



Soren Westphal
Ole Erevik

Nicolai Nygaard Pedersen

Sander Sagosen (4) (3)

Morten Andreas Slundt (2)

Martin Larsen (6)

Havard Tvedten (5) (4)

Simon Hald Jensen (1) (4)

Marcus Mork Kristiansen (4)

Buster Juul-Lassen Engelbrecht

Christian Jensen (1) (5)

Niclas Andreas Barud (1)

Magnus Saugstrup Jensen

Emil Berggren (3) (3)

Jose Manuel Sierra Mendez

Piotr Wyszomirski

Attila Vadkerti

Jonas Källman

Antonio Jesus Garcia Robledo

Balint Fekete

Ferenc Ilyés

Zsolt Balogh

Alen Blazevic

Rajko Prodanovic

Márk Hegedüs

Vladan Loncar

Dean Bombac

Roberto Garcia Parrondo

Gabor Ancsin

Bence Szabo



VELUX EHF Champions League backs International Day of the Girl Child

The VELUX EHF Champions League's links with charity partner Plan International has been strengthened further ahead of this week's International Day of the Girl Child.

International Day of the Girl Child, which is celebrated globally on 11 October, highlights and addresses the needs and challenges facing girls under the age of 18, while promoting girls' empowerment and the fulfilment of their human rights.

As part of the EHF Champions League's continued support of the initiative, handball legend Dominik Klein and EHF Marketing Managing Director David Szlezak visited Brazil while this Sunday's Match of the Week will see a number of special activations take place.



Former German star Klein, in his role as charity ambassador, joined ex-Austrian international Szlezak in Brazil to witness first-hand the work that Plan International is doing to help improve the lives of girls. The charity states over seven million girls under the age of 18 become parents while 130 million worldwide do not attend school.

As part of the visit, the pair met 12-year-old Lays, who has been sponsored by EHF Marketing and who lives with her father and stepmother in an area of Brazil where 60 per cent of children and adults live in poverty, and where schools are either poorly-equipped or lack teaching staff.

This weekend's VELUX EHF Champions League Match of the Week between Aalborg Handbold and MOL-Pick Szeged on Sunday 13 October will also honour the International Day of the Girl Child. The centre circle will be coloured pink and a young girl will play a key role in the whole set-up, including the hand-over of the Player of the Match award.

With this, both clubs and the spectators together with the EHF Marketing and Plan International can show the importance of the International Day of the Girl Child.

David Szlezak, managing director of EHF Marketing GmbH, said: "We are extremely proud of the positive and proactive work that Plan International is providing to girls like Lays and her family. Our experience in Brazil further highlighted the fantastic work of the organisation but also showed why the continued support of such projects is vital to communities. We hope that our partnership with Plan International can continue to help give them a platform to carry out the life-changing work around the world to those who need it."

For further information on International Day of the Girl Child: <https://www.un.org/en/events/girlchild/>

Visit <https://www.plan-international.at> for more information on Plan International.

Aalborg Handbold players' career statistics against MOL-Pick Szeged

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Mikael Aggefors	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Sören Hansen Brunsborg	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kristian Skinstad Saeveraas	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
René Antonsen	DEN	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Sebastian Barthold	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Benjamin Batsberg	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jonas Neve Byrresen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Andreas Hussmann Christensen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mads Christiansen	DEN	2	1	0	1	6	3,00	4	0
Tobias Hansesgaard Ellebaek	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Benjamin Jakobsen	DEN	2	0	1	1	2	1,00	2	8'
Andreas Holst Jensen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Frederik Bech Jensen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Magnus Saugstrup Jensen	DEN	2	0	1	1	1	0,50	1	0
Buster Engelbrecht Juul-Lassen	DEN	2	0	1	1	0	0,00	0	0
Victor Klove	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Knud Ronau Larsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mishels Liaba	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Ómar Ingi Magnusson	ISL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mark Strandgaard Marcher	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Henrik Møllgaard Jensen	DEN	4	2	1	1	6	1,50	5	2'
Oliver Amnitzboll Norlyk	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jakob Wolf Rasmussen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mikkel Lang Rasmussen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Tobias Mellby Simonsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Janus Dadi Smarason	ISL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Magnus Moland Sönnichsen	DEN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0



Benjamin Jakobsen (Skjern Handbold 2018/19); Henrik Møllgaard Jensen (Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2016/17)

'Player of the Match' trophy

The Match of the Week 'Player of the Match' trophy, introduced by EHF Marketing GmbH in the 2017/18 season, is being awarded at all MOTWs in the VELUX EHF Champions League 2019/20 season.

The trophy will be handed over on court shortly after the match by alternating sponsors throughout the season. In Round 4 the trophy will be presented by charity partner Plan International and handed over by a girl chosen by the club.

Awarded players in the 2019/20 season:

Round 1: Nikola Bilyk (THW Kiel)

Round 2: Harald Reinkind (THW Kiel)

Round 3: Rodrigo Corrales (PSG Handball)



MOL-Pick Szeged players' career statistics against Aalborg Handbold

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Mirko Alilovic	CRO	2	1	0	1	0	0,00	0	0
Barnabas Marczika	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Roland Mikler	HUN	4	2	0	2	0	0,00	0	0
Martin Nagy	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Bruno Bajusz	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Bence Banhidi	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Alen Blazevic	CRO	2	1	1	0	4	2,00	4	6'
Richard Bodo	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Dean Bombac	SLO	4	3	1	0	11	2,75	6	0
Joan Cañellas Reixach	ESP	2	2	0	0	5	2,50	3	0
Csaba Csiki	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Matej Gaber	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Nik Henigman	SLO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jonas Källman	SWE	2	1	1	0	3	1,50	3	0
Stanislav Kasperek	CZE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Marcell Lörincz	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jorge Maqueda Pena	ESP	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Bogdan Radivojevic	SRB	2	2	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Balint Rosta	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Miklos Rosta	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Stefan Rafn Sigurmannsson	ISL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mario Sostaric	SLO	2	1	0	1	1	0,50	1	2'
Luka Stepanic	CRO	2	2	0	0	6	3,00	4	0
Martin Jozsef Tokes	HUN	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Dmitry Zhitnikov	RUS	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0



Mirko Alilovic (Telekom Veszprém HC 2017/18); Dean Bombac (PGE Vive Kielce 2017/18); Joan Cañellas Reixach (HSV Hamburg 2013/14); Roland Mikler (Telekom Veszprém HC 2017/18); Bogdan Radivojevic (SG Flensburg-Handewitt 2013/14); Mario Sostaric (RK Gorenje Velenje 2013/14); Luka Stepanic (Paris Saint-Germain Handball 2017/18); Dmitry Zhitnikov (Chekhovskie Medvedi 2010/11 – DNP)

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