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MOL-PICK SZEGED vs PARIS SAINT-GERMAIN HANDBALL

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6th, 2020 - 20:00 - VAROSI SPORTCSARNOK (SZEGED)





BACK TO WORK

After the international break, the Paris Saint-Germain Handball is back on the court more than a month after its last match. The Rouge & Bleu ended 2020 by winning the third-place match in the EHF Final 4, in Cologne, against another Hungarian team, Vesprém (31-26).

FINALLY PLAYED

Last September, Paris was supposed to launch their Champions League season in Szeged. After five Covid-19 cases detected in the opposing team, the EHF decided to postpone the match.

STILL ROAD WARRIORS?

In December, Paris won in Nantes (26-24) and in Montpellier (36-32, its two main rivals in Lidl Starligue. The Rouge et Bleu will have another big challenge today in Szeged, where they lost their last two times.

WORLD'S BEST, AGAIN!

Mikkel Hansen won the World Championship with Denmark in Egypt and has been designed Most Valuable Player of the competition. In the previous edition, in 2019, "Mikki" already collected both trophies.

COMPANEROS

Viran Morros and Ferran Sole won the bronze medal at the World Championship, after winning vs team France The right wing has been elected among the best 7 of the competition. They will face one of their Roja's teammates today: the centre back, Joan Canellas.

POSTPONED

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic and new government measures, the next two matches of Paris against Vardar and Elverum, originally scheduled next Tuesday and Thursday, have been postponed.

THE FIRST

Luc Steins, who signed with Paris to replace Nikola Karabatic as a medical joker, will play his first Champions League match tonight. The center-back missed the week 8 against Porto due to an ankle injury and the EHF Champions League Final4 played last December after testing positive at COVID-19.

OLD MATE

Luka Stepancic played with the Rouge et Bleu during three seasons from 2016 to 2019. The Croatian right back will face Paris with Szeged's jersey for the 3rd time.

MEET THE MENTOR

Paris' coach, Raul Gonzalez, will face his mentor Juan Pastor, Spanish coach of Szeged. Pastor is one of the masterminds of contemporary handball, winning a lot of silverware in his career. Szeged wanted him to rebuild their team and win the Hungarian title vs Veszprem, what they did in 2018.

PERFECTION

Paris is leading the Lidl Starligue with 13 wins in 13 games. Montpellier is at the 2nd place 6 points behind (and one game in hand).

THERE WILL ONLY BE ONE LEFT

Paris is still the only undefeated team in all national competitions since the beginning of the 2019-2020 season. Moreover, the Rouge et Bleu didn't lose in their last 34 Lidl Starligue games.

INJURIES

In addition to Nikola Karabatic, few other players are not available for today's game. Luka Karabatic (abdominals) and Elohim Prandi (shoulder) didn't travel with the team.



TRIVIA QUESTION

HOW MANY GOALS ALL COMPETITIONS INCLUDED DID LUKA STEPANCIC SCORE WITH PARIS BETWEEN 2016 AND 2019?

Answer in the next Game Notes



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Statistics in Velux EHF Champions League - Group phase



3 wins / 0 tie / 3 losses

2nd attack of Group A (31,67 gpm) 7th defense of Group A (30,67 gpm) 190 goals scored / 184 goals against



2 wins / 0 tie / 4 losses

8th attack of Group A (26 gpm) 1st defense of Group A (26,17 gpm) 156 goals scored / 157 goals against

HEAD-TO-HEADS AGAINST MOL-PICK SZEGED

16/02/2020	LDC	SZEGED vs PARIS	32 -29
22/09/2019	LDC	PARIS vs SZEGED	30 -25
24/11/2018	LDC	SZEGED vs PARIS	33 -32
04/11/2018	LDC	PARIS vs SZEGED	33 -31
29/04/2017	LDC	PARIS vs SZEGED	30-30
23/04/2017	LDC	SZEGED vs PARIS	27 -30
16/11/1997	City Cup	SZEGED vs PARIS	26 -19
08/11/1997	City Cup	PARIS vs SZEGED	24 -19

In EHF CL vs Szeged: 3W-1D-2L



2020-2021 SEASON

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LAST GAMES

EHF CL Final 4 3rd place 28/11/2020 26-31



SCORE 31
55 SHOOTING ACCURACY (%) 62
30 GOALKEEPER SAVES (%) 33
NC ASSISTS NC
NC TURNOVERS NC
6 2 MINUTES 3



NEXT GAMES

EHFCL W6 (POSTPONED) NEW DATE TBC



PARIS SAINT-GERMAIN HANDBALL



HC VARDAR SKOPJE

LDC Final 4 Semi-finals 28/11/2020 37-32



37SCORE3266SHOOTING ACCURACY (%)6232GOALKEEPER SAVES (%)27NCASSISTSNCNCTURNOVERSNC32 MINUTES2



LIDL STARLIGUE W16 13/02/2020 17:00



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STATISTICS

TEAM STATISTICS

Most goals scored by PSG in a game season 2020-2021: 42 goals vs Limoges (J7)

Most goals conceded by PSG in a game season 2020-2021: 35 buts vs Toulouse (J4)

Less goals scored by PSG in a game season 2020-2021: 26 goals vs Nantes (J12)

Less goals against by PSG in a game season 2020-2021: 20 goals vs Limoges (J7)

Best shooting success in a game season 2020-2021: 81% against Limoges (J7) (42 goals on 52 shots)

Worst shooting success in a game season 2020-2021: 57% @ Nantes (J12) (26 buts sur 46 tirs tentés)

Most stops in a game season 2020-2021: 21 stops against Créteil (J10) - Genty

Number of consecutive wins at home in Lidl Starlique: 41 (last loss 08/06/2017 against Nantes, 37-38)

Number of games without losses at home in EHF Champions League: 41 (from the 16/11/2014 vs Kiel to 01/12/2019 vs Barca)

Number of games without losses at home all competitions: 56 (from the 08/06/2017 vs Nantes to 01/12/2019 vs Barcelone)

VARIOUS STATISTICS

Biggest winning streak in club history: **18** games (03/10/18 to 09/05/2019)

Biggest losing streak during 2019-2020 season:

1 game

Biggest goal difference in a victory game in 2020-2021:

+22 against Limoges (J7)

Biggest goal difference in a loss game in Lidl Starligue 2020-2021:

No loss

89% of wins on the season 2019-2020 in all competitions included, best rate for a French team

6 consecutive titles of french champions, best rate for a French

26 points in group phase of Champions League 2018-2019: new record since the new rule's instauration

129 pts cumuled in group phase of Champions League since 2015-2016, against 128 for Barcelone

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

Best scorer season 2020-2021: Remili – 63 goals

Best scorer in a season in Lidl Starligue: Hansen – 228 goals (2015-2016)

Only player over 200 goals in a season in Lidl Starligue:

Hansen (2014-15 with 203 goals and 2015-16 with 228 goals)

Best scorer on shots season 2020-2021: Remili – 59 goals

Best scorer on penalty kick season 2020-2021: Hansen – 26 goals

Most goals on shots in a game season 2020-2021: **13 - Prandi** (vs Limoges le 31/10/2020 - J7)

Best shooting accuracy on shots season 2020-2021: 100 % – Karabatic L et Morros

Best goal per game average season 2020-2021: Hansen – 4,85 gpm

Most saves in one game season 2020-2021: Genty – **21** (vs Créteil J10)

Most saves this season season 2020-2021: Gérard - 124

Most saves on shots this season season 2020-2021: Gérard – 18

Best saves rate in a game season 2020-2021: Genty - 50%

Longest distance in a game season 2020-2021: 4 662 m – Kristopans (vs Toulouse J4)

Most sprints in a game season 2020-2021: 20 - Solé (vs Cesson J2)

Higher jump in a game season 2020-2021: 65 cm – Toft Hansen (vs Cesson J2) et Prandi (vs Toulouse J4)

Fastest player in a game season 2020-2021: 30,23 km/h – Nahi ((vs Toulouse J4)

Most titles of France Championship: Nikola Karabatic – **12** (7 with Montpellier and 5 with Paris)



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Games: 6

Stops: 61

ROSTER



1 Vincent GERARD

Lidl Starlique 2020-2021 EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 13 Stops: 124 Stops per game: 9,54 Success rate: 37,46% Warnings: 0 2 minutes: 0

Disqualification: 0

GOALKEEPER 34 yo 1m89 French 97 kg

with Paris Saint-Germain In career

Stops in LDL: 226 Stops in LDL: 3 207 Including 189 penalties

Stops in EHF CL: 131

Stops in EHF CL: NC

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2019

After started in Metz, Vincent Gérard played in Montpellier and then Istres, where he won the Coupe de la Ligue 2009 with being named MVP of the final. In Dunkerque (2010-2015), he won a title of French champion (2014). The « Lorrain » joined for a second time the MHB in 2015 and won four trophies including the Champions League 2018. With the French national team, he became European Champion in 2014 and World champion in 2017. He was elected best goalkeeper at the 2017 World Cup, Euro 2018 and 5 times in Lidl Starlique.



6 Luc STEINS

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

Games: 10 Goals: 24 Goals per game: 2,40 Success rate: 80% Warning: 0 2 minutes: 4 Disqualification: 0

Games: 0 Goals: 0

EHF CL 2020-2021

with Paris Saint-Germain

Goals in LDL: 24 including 0 penalties

CENTER-BACK

Goals in EHF CL: 0

Dutch 73 kg

1m73

Goals in LDL: 160 including 0 penalties

25 vo

In career

Goals in EHF CL: 0

At Paris Saint-Germain since November 2020

Luc Steins joined Paris end of November to replace Nikola Karabatic, who underwent a knee surgery. He started at the pro level at the age of 17, with the Limburg Lions, won consecutive Dutch Cup-Championship doubles in 2015 and 2016, before moving to Massy. Named Player of the Season in the Proligue in 2016-17, Steins then signed in Tremblay-en-France, where he went on to play two seasons before signing for Toulouse in the Summer of 2019. The 25-year-old has 66 caps and 190 goals with the Dutch national team.



9 Adama KEITA

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

Games: 12 Goals: 18 Goals per game: 1,50 Success rate: 75 % Warning: 0 2 minutes: 1 Disqualification: 0

EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 6 Goals: 5

LEFT WING

with Paris Saint-Germain

23 yo French 1m85 83 kg

In career

Goals in LDL:72 Goals in LDL:72

including 1 penalty including 1 penalty

Goals in EHF CL: 48 Goals in EHF CL: 48

From Club youth system

Adama Keita is playing his second season as a professional with the Paris Saint-Germain. From Club youth system, the left winger was captain and best scorer of the reserve team. Selected in few youth French national teams, Adama Keita, born in Paris, won the bronze medal at the U21 World Championship in 2017, together with Melvyn Richardson or Dika Mem. His older brother Mahamadou also plays in Lidl Starlique, with the US Ivry and the same position.



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10 Dainis KRISTOPANS

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021 EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 13 Goals: 1628 Goals per game: 2,15 Success rate: 57% Warning: 3 2 minutes: 9 Disqualification: 0

Games: 6 Goals: 16

Games: 6

Goals: 11

Games:5

Stops: 6

RIGHT BACK

30 yo Latvian

2m15 135 kg

with Paris Saint-Germain In career

Goals in LDL: 28 Goals in LDL: 28 including 0 penalties including 0 penalties

Goals in EHF CL:16 Goals in EHF CL: 451

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2020

Tallest handball player in the world (2m15), Dainis Krištopāns will share the right-back position with Nedim Remili, coached by his former coach at Varder Skopje, Raul Gonzalez. In 2019, the Latvian international won the Champions League with the Macedonian club and finished best player at his position in the competition.



11 Benoît KOUNKOUD

Lidl Starlique 2020-2021 EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 12 Goals: 24 Goals per game: 2 Success rate: 75% Warning: 0 2 minutes:1 Disqualification: 0

RIGHT WING

1m90 23 yo French 89 kg

with Paris Saint-Germain In career

Goals in LDL: 197 Goals in LDL: 197

Goals in EHF CL: 110 Goals in EHF CL: 110

From Club youth system

Benoît Kounkoud joined the youth system of the club in 2014 after his performances with his club of La Source, on La Réunion island. He discovered the Lidl Starlique few months later at 17 years old. With the French national team, the right wing became U20 European Champion in 2014 and U21 World Champion in 2015. His rise is rewarded by a selection in the French national team at the 2016 European championship. After getting injured and undergoing knee surgery, he missed the second part of the 2018-2019 season. He is one of the oldest players in the team after Luc Abalo and Mikkel Hansen.



12 Yann GENTY

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021 EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 11 Stops: 56 Stops per game: 5,09 Success rate: 33,73% Warnings: 0 2 minutes: 0 Disqualification: 0

GOALKEEPER

39 yo French 1m85 89 kg

with Paris Saint-Germain

In career

Stops in LDL: 3 057

including 0 penalties

Stops in EHF CL: NC

Stops in EHF CL: 6

Stops in LDL: 56

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2020

Born in Enghien-les-bains (Val d'Oise, France), in 1981, Yann Genty began handball at 4 years old at the club of Saint-Gratien as a wing. Then, he went in direction to Billere Handball where he spent two seasons, and joined Aurilac and Istres in 2010, where he replaced Vincent Gerard, who left for Dunkerque. After a period in Cesson, Yann Genty joined the Chambery squad, where he finished best goalkeeper for his first season. In May 2019, he was called by the French team coach for the first time, to play the last two qualification matches of the Euro 2020.



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14 Ferran SOLE SALA

Lidl Starlique 2020-2021

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

Goals per game: 2,18 Success rate: 75 %

Disqualification: 0

Goals per game: 3,17 Success rate: 73%

Games: 12

Goals: 38

Warning: 0 2 minutes: 0 Disqualification: 0

Games: 11

Goals: 24

Warning: 0 2 minutes:1

Games: 13

Goals: 63

Warning:1 2 minutes: 5 EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 6

Goals: 8

with Paris Saint-Germain

RIGHT WING

1m93

28 yo Spanish

84 kg

In career

Goals in LDL: 38 Goals in LDL: 459 including 7 penalties including 7 penalties

Goals in EHF CL: 11 Goals in EHF CL: 11

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2020

Born in Barcelona, Ferran Solé started in Spain, at BM Granollers, where he finished as the EHF Cup 2015-2016's top scorer, before taking the road to the Fenix Toulouse Handball in France. He won the 2018 European Championship with the Spain and finished as the best right wing of the competition. Last January, he won the 2020 edition with his national team.



15 Henrik TOFT HANSEN

EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 6

Goals: 12

LINE PLAYER

2m 102 ka

Danish

with Paris Saint-Germain In career

Goals in LDL: 87 Goals in LDL: 87

34 yo

including 0 penalties including 0 penalties

Goals in EHF CL: 49 Goals in EHF CL: 251

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2018

Henrik Toft Hansen began his professional career in Mors, in the north of Denmark, his native region. After ten seasons, he moved to Germany, first of all in Hamburg and then in Flensburg alongside with his brother, René. The line player won all major titles with team Denmark: 2012 European championship, 2016 Olympic Games and 2019 World championship together with his teammate in Paris, Mikkel Hansen. He is the second of five children, three boys and two girls. His wife, Ulrika, plays at the Issy Paris club.



18 Nedim REMILI

Lidl Starlique 2020-2021

Goals per game: 4,85 Success rate: 62%

Disqualification: 0

EHF CL 2020-2021

25 yo

1m95

Games: 6

Goals: 21

with Paris Saint-Germain

French 99 kg In career

Goals in LDL: 443

RIGHT BACK

Goals in LDL: 616

including 31 penalties

Goals in EHF CL: 312

Goals in EHF CL: 312

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2016

Trained at the US Créteil, where his father Kamel used to play and is the actual general manager, Nedim Remili has started his fourth season under Paris jersey. With the Rouge et Bleu, the right back won 9 trophies and received the award of the best young player of the Velux EHF Champions League in 2016. With the French national team, he was World champion in 2017 and finished best right back of the competition. In the next two years, he also won two bronze medals, at the 2018 Euros and the 2019 World championship.



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20 Mathieu GREBILLE

EHF CL 2020-2021

with Paris Saint-Germain

1m98 97 kg

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

Games: 6 Goals: 6

In career

29 yo

French

Games: 13 Goals: 21

Goals per game: 1,62 Success rate: 66% Warning: 0 2 minutes: 0

Disqualification: 0

Goals in EHF CL: 6

Goals in LDL: 21

LEFT WING

Goals in EHF CL: 243

Goals in LDL: 496

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2020

Born in 1981, Mathieu Grébille started playing handball when he was young, and, in 2007, he participated to his first stages with the young French team. Then, he joined the youth system of the Montpellier Handball, and played his first match with the professional squad. In 2012, he is selected in the French team to participate to the Euro 2014 qualifying. Two years later, he won the European championship, in Danemark in 2014, and became World champion in 2015.



21 Kamil SYPRZAK

EHF CL 2020-2021

LINE PLAYER Polish

2m07 113 kg

Lidl Starlique 2020-2021

Games: 5

with Paris Saint-Germain

In career

29 yo

Games: 12 Goals: 41

Goals per game: 3,42 Success rate: 89% Warning: 2

2 minutes: 4

Disqualification: 0

Goals: 16

Goals in LDL: 106 Goals in LDL: 106

Goals in EHF CL: 63

Goals in EHF CL: 267

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2019

After starting his professional career in Plock, where he became champion of Poland in 2011, Kamil Syprzak signed in Barcelona. He won 14 trophies in four seasons with the Catalan club before joining the Paris Saint-Germain Handball. He is the tallest and heaviest player of the Paris squad with 2.07m and 113kg. With the Polish national team, he won the bronze medal at the 2015 World championship, scoring the decisive goal of his team in the overtime against Spain.



22 Luka KARABATIC

EHF CL 2020-2021

32 yo French

2m02 110 kg

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

with Paris Saint-Germain

In career

Goals: 26 Goals per game: 2,89

Success rate: 87%

Disqualification: 1

Games: 9

Warning: 3 2 minutes: 5

Games: 4 Goals: 13

Goals in LDL: 573 including 0 penalties

including 0 penalties Goals in FHF CL: 198

LINE PLAYER

Goals in LDL: 289

Goals in EHF CL: 220

At Paris Saint-Germain since 2015

Luka Karabatic played tennis at high level when he was a teenager. He chose handball at 19 years old, joined Montpellier youth system before signing his first professional contract and won 14 trophies with the MHB. After three seasons in Aix-en-Provence, he signed at Paris Saint-Germain Handball, such as brother coming from Barcelona, Nikola Karabatic, at the Summer 2015. Named twice best defender of the Velux EHF Champions League, the new captain added 11 trophies to his prizes list with Paris. With the French national team, he became European champion in 2014 and World champion in 2015 and 2017.



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23 Viran MORROS

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021 EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 5

Goals: 0

Games: 11 Goals: 3 Goals per game: 0,27 Success rate: 100 % Warning: 0 2 minutes: 3 Disqualification: 0

DEFENDER

with Paris Saint-Germain In career

Goals in LDI:22 Goals in LDL: 22 including 0 penalties including 0 penalties

37 vo

33 yo

Danish

Spanish

1m99

92 kg

1m96

99 kg

including 367 penalties

Goals in EHF CL: 12 Goals in EHF CL: 145

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2018

Before joining the Paris Saint-Germain in June 2018, Viran Morros played during 16 seasons in Spain. Between Teucro, Leon, Ciudad Real or Barcelona, the Catalan won 10 championships, 16 national cups and 8 supercups. He increased his trophies list with 3 Velux EHF Champions League, 1 EHF Cup Winners' Cup and 2 Super Globes. With the Roja, he is elected best defender of the Euro 2012, became World champion in 2013 and European champion in 2018 and 2020. He already won 3 titles with Paris.

EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 6

Goals: 46



24 Mikkel HANSEN

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

Games: 12 Goals: 58 Goals per game: 4,83 Success rate: 68 % Warning:1 2 minutes:1 Disqualification: 0

LEFT BACK

with Paris Saint-Germain In career Goals in LDL: 1141

including 367 penalties

Goals in LDL:1141

Goals in EHF CL: 620 Goals in EHF CL: 875

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2012

The oldest player of the club with Luc Abalo, Mikkel Hansen won 16 trophies since his arrival in 2012. He is the best scorer in history on a Champions League single season (141 goals in 2015-2016) and on Lidl Starlique single season (228). « Mikki » is also the 10th scorer in Lidl Starligue history (1013 goals). With the Danish team, he won the Euro 2012, the Olympic Games in 2016 and the World championship in 2019, with being elected best player. He won the IHF world best player trophy three times, in 2011, 2015 and 2018.

EHF CL 2020-2021

Games: 3

Goals: 11



44 Nikola KARABATIC

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

Games: 5 Goals: 23 Goals per game: 4,60 Success rate: 74 % Warning:1 2 minutes: 2 Disqualification: 0

CENTER-BACK LEFT BACK

with Paris Saint-Germain

Goals in LDL: 366 including 0 penalties

Goals in EHF CL: 323

1m96 36 vo French 105 kg

In career

Goals in LDL: 859

including 0 penalties

Goals in EHF CL: 1086

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2015

Nikola Karabatic signed for Paris Saint-Germain in the Summer 2015. With Montpellier, Kiel, Barcelona and Paris, the center-back won 17 championship trophies in 18 seasons, but also 22 national cups, 10 national supercups, 3 Champions leagues, 2 Super Globes and 1 European Supercup. In the French team, he has been Olympic champion twice, World champion four times and European champion three times. The number 44 has been elected three times best handball player of the year (2007, 2014 and 2016).



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71 Elohim PRANDI

LEFT BACK

22 yo 1m93 French 96 kg

Lidl Starlique 2020-2021

EHF CL 2020-2021 with Paris Saint-Germain

In career

Games: 13 Goals: 53 Games: 6 Goals: 10 Goals in LDL: 53 Goals in LDL: 381

Goals per game: 4,08 Success rate: 62 % Warning: 0 2 minutes: 4

Disqualification: 0

Goals in EHF CL: 11

LEFT WING

Goals in EHF CL: 11

At Paris Saint-Germain since June 2020

Trained at US Ivry, Elohim Prandi joined USAM Nîmes Gard in 2017. The 22 years old won the World Championship with the U19 French Team in 2017, and the silver medal at the U20 Euro in 2018. The French international scored 94 goals in 18 matches last season with Nîmes. At the end of the 2019-2020 season, he was named best left back of Lidl Starligue and his direct free kick against Creteil was named best goal of the season.



99 Dylan NAHI

EHF CL 2020-2021

21 yo 1m90 French 98 kg

Lidl Starligue 2020-2021

Games: 3

with Paris Saint-Germain In career

Games: 11 Goals: 12 Goals per game: 1,09 Success rate: 63 %

Disqualification: 0

Warning: 0 2 minutes: 4 Goals: 10

Goals in LDL: 78 Goals in LDL: 78 including 1 penalty including 1 penalty

Goals in EHF CL: 54

Goals in EHF CL: 54

From Club youth system

Coming from the club youth system, Dylan Nahi signed his first professional contract in March 2018. He broke earliness records: first professional game at 15 years old and youngest player on a Champions League Final game sheet when he was 17. He was also the youngest player selected in the French national team history at 18 years old. Dylan Nahi won the U21 World Championship last July, the U19 World Championship in 2017 and was designed best left wing of the tournament. At 19, he already got 8 trophies with Paris.



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COACH



Raul GONZALEZ Head Coach

Raul Gonzalez was born in 1970, in Spain in the city of Valladolid. He spent his entire professional career at BM Valladolid as center-back during 18 seasons (1987 to 2005). In 1996, at the Olympic Games in Atlanta, he won the bronze medal against France. He won two silver medals at the European Championships in 1996 and 1998.

Born the 8th January 1970 (49)

Nationality: Spanish

Coach career:

> BM Ciudad Real (assistant): 2005-2009

> Atlético Madrid (assistant): 2011-2013

> RK Vardar Skopje: 2014-2018

> Macedonia: since 2017

> Paris Saint-Germain: since 2018

TROPHIES

As Head Coach

1 CHAMPIONSLEAGUE

5 MACEDONIA HANDBALL CUPS

4 MACEDONIA CHAMPIONSHIPS

3 SEHA LEAGUES

2 FRANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

1 LEAGUE CUP

1 FRENCH SUPERCUP

As assistant (BM Ciudad Real)

3 CHAMPIONS LEAGUES

4 SPAIN CHAMPIONSHIPS

4 COPA DEL REY

4 COPA ASOBAL

3 EHF MEN'S CHAMPIONS

3 SPAIN SUPERCUPS

3 SUPER GLOBE

He reconverted very quickly and became assistant coach of BM Ciudad Real in 2005. In 2014, he signs as head coach of RK Vardar Skopje, a position he held until 2018. With this club, he won three championships, four Macedonian cups and two SEHA leagues. Raul Gonzalez made a splash in 2017 by winning the Champions League against Paris. In 2018, he started a new challenge and became the coach of Paris-Saint-Germain where he met Luc Abalo, a player with whom he worked from 2008 to 2012 at BM Ciudad Real.

Raul Gonzalez arrived in the city of light with a reputation as a talented and experienced coach. In his first year with Paris Saint-Germain, he won the Lidl Starligue three games before the end of the championship, as well as the Coupe de la Ligue. Despite a defeat in the quarterfinals of the Champions League, the club of the French capital achieved a record season: 26 points combined in group stage, a new record since the introduction of the new competition system.

During the 2019-2020, the Parisian coach won the Trophée des Champions before leading the Paris Saint-Germain to a 6th consecutive title in Lidl Starligue, new record in competition history. The team was qualified for the Coupe de la Ligue Final4 and the EHF Champions League Round of 16 but competitions were suspended due to COVID-19.



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Physiotherapist



Abdoul DIOP
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Florian PATALAGOITY

Physiotherapist



Arthur YAPO Fitness coach



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STADE PIERRE-DE-COUBERTIN

The Stade Pierre-de-Coubertin was inaugurated in 1937 as part of the World Exhibition. Following the damage caused by the Second World War, it was rebuilt in 1946. The major renovation of this historic stadium is from 1990.

Paris Saint-Germain Handball is the resident club. The Club did some work to personalize the stadium, including the creation of a weight room, a medical room or the installation of Rouge et Bleu colored seats, similar to the Parc des Princes.

Some additional work was carried out during the Summer 2016 to allow Paris Saint-Germain Handball to host Champions League matches. Since the 2016-2017 season, all home games are held at Stade Pierre-de-Coubertin. During handball matches, the capacity is 3,500 spectators.

Paris Saint-Germain is on an a 41-game winning streak in Lidl Starligue in Stade Pierre-de-Coubertin. The Rouge et Bleu also broke a record for a French team with 56 straight games without a loss in Coubertin, all competitions included (55 wins and 1 draw against Kiel on March 2018) between June 8th 2017 and December 1st 2019. And in Champions League, the team stayed unbeaten at home during more than 5 years, between November 2014 and December 2019. Paris lost only three times since games are played in Coubertin (36 games, 31 wins, 2 draws and 3 losses).

Beyond gamedays, the Stade Pierre-de-Coubertin is where daily practices of the professional team and club youth system take place.









- Press entrance during gamedays
 Avenue Félix d'Hérelle, Paris 16e
- Press entrance on non-match days 82 avenue Georges Lafont, Paris 16e

Parking Vinci Porte Saint Cloud

An indoor pay parking is located around the Stade Pierre de Coubertin, rue du Point du Jour.

Gare/Airport

The Montparnasse train station (5km) and Orly's Airport (25km) are the two nationals and internationals exchange platforms near the stadium.

In Subway

The stop Porte de Saint-Cloud on the line 9 is the closer one near the stadium, around 2 minutes of walk. The line 9 of the subway cross the center of Paris by the north, and is in connection with others many lines of subway (1-6-7-8-10-13 to West side and 2-4-5 to East side)

In bus

The stop Porte de Saint Cloud, around 2 minutes walk away from the arena, serves many lines: 22-62-72-PC1-175-189-289. The stop Stade Pierre de Coubertin is on the bus line 189 too.



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HISTORY

1941: The club was born in 1941 under the leadership of Christian Picard. At the beginning, the club's name was Patriots of Asnieres before taking the name of Asnieres Sports few years later.

1945: At the Parc des Princes, in front of 15 000 spectators, the team played its first Coupe de France final but lost against Villemomble. At this time, handball was still played with 11 players.

1987: The city of Paris agreed with the city of Asnieres to create a big handball club in the French capital. The team moved in Paris and took a new name: Paris-Racing-Asnières before changing once again for Paris-Asnières.

1989: Paris attracted one of the best player of handball, Jackson Richardson. He wore the parisian jersey between 1989 and 1991. At this period, another future World Champion, Patrick Cazal, signed his first professional contract with the club.



1991/1992: The Paris Saint-Germain Omnisports, owned by Charles Biétry, has took control of the club called PSG-Asnières. Others sports section like volley-ball, rugby or boxing are launched by the Paris Saint-Germain.

1995/1996: Led by the 1995 World Champion and Olympic Games medalist Stéphane Stoecklin, the team finished 2^{nd} of the French championship behind the OM-Vitrolles.

2000/2001: The Rouge & Bleu and Olivier Girault, winner of the World Cup few months before, lost against the Montpellier Handball during their first participation to the Coupe de France final.

2001/2002: A new chapter has been opened with Louis Nicollin, who stayed owner of the club until 2010.

2004/2005: Coached by Thierry Anti, the Rouge et Bleu ended the season at the 2^{nd} place of the French championship and qualified for the 2005-2006 Champions League, where they lost in the round of 16.

2006/2007: The club earned his first trophy by winning against Aix-en-Provence in the Coupe de France final.

2009/2010: Down in 2nd division after the previous season, the team won the championship and moved back to 1st division.



2008-2009 squad



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2011/2012: Qatar Sports Investments became the new owner of the club, which is named Paris Saint-Germain Handball. Under the impulse of Nasser Al-Khelaïfi, a new team is put in place.

<u>2012/2013</u>: The Paris Saint-Germain Handball, coached by the World Champion Philippe Gardent, won the French championship for the first time of its history. Some international stars were part of the team like Luc Abalo, Samuel Honrubia, Mikkel Hansen or Didier Dinart, which ended his career on this trophy.

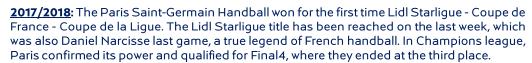


2013/2014: With Daniel Narcisse, who joined the club at the beginning of the season, Paris reached the quarter-finals of the Champions League for the first time and won against Chambery in the final of the Coupe de France.

2014/2015: The Parisians fought until the last game with Montpellier to win their second French championship title. Stronger with the arrival of Thierry Omeyer, the Paris Saint-Germain Handball realized an historic triple crown after winning the Trophée des Champions and the Coupe de France.

<u>2015/2016</u>: The Paris Saint-Germain Handball, which host a new coach, Zvonimir Serdarušić, and the Karabatic brothers at the summer 2015, won one more time the Trophée des Champions and in Lidl Starligue. The team participated for the first time to the Final Four of the Champions League, proving the rise in power of the club at the European level.

2016/2017: Another triple crown with a third Trophée des Champions, a third consecutive Lidl Starligue and a first win in Coupe de la Ligue. The Ligue des Champions ended by a crual loss at the last second of the game in Final, against Skopje.





2018/2019: Paris became national champion three games before the end of the Lidl Starligue. Eliminated in quarterfinals of Coupe de France against Montpellier, the Paris Saint-Germain Handball won one week after in Coupe de la Ligue for the third consecutive time. After breaking the record of points in Champions' League group phase, the Rouge & Bleu lost in quarterfinals against Kielce despite an incredible performance at the second leg in Coubertin. The end of season is marked by the retirement of the one of the best French handball player and best goalkeeper ever, Thierry Omeyer.



2019/2020: The Paris Saint-Germain Handball won the Trophée des Champions against Montpellier. During the match, Vincent Gérard, new Parisian player and former player of the Montpellier Handball, is named MVP with 17 stops. Because of the COVID-19 pandemic, the Rouge & Bleu are crowned champions of Lidl Starligue in April after 18 matches.



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SEASON BY SEASON

		GAMES	WINS	DRAWS	LOSSES	GOALS +	GOALS -
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	8	4	0	4	222	221
2020-2021	LIDL STARLIGUE	13	13	0	0	460	338
0-2	COUPE DE FRANCE	-	-	-	-	-	-
202	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	-	-	-	-	-	-
,,,	TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS	-	-	-	-	-	-
	TOTAL	21	17	o	4	682	559
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	14	11	0	3	444	389
20	LIDL STARLIGUE	18	17	1	0	636	498
2019-2020	COUPE DE FRANCE	3 14	3 11	0	0 3	99 444	72 389
.610	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	1 18	1 17	0	0	34 636	30 498
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	TOTAL	37 1	33 1	10	3 0	1 247 34	1 016 30
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-2(COUPE DE FRANCE	3	2	0	1	94	89
2018-2019	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	4	4	0	0	126	100
7	TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS	2	0	0	2	70	72
	TOTAL	51	44	1	6	1659	1362
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	18	14	1	3	550	498
2	LIDL STARLIGUE	26	22	1	3	796	674
-20	COUPE DE FRANCE	5	5	0	0	173	115
2017-2018	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	4	4	0	0	138	112
2	TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS	2	1	0	1	61	60
	TOTAL	55	46	2	7	1718	1459



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SEASON BY SEASON

		GAMES	WINS	DRAWS	LOSSES	GOALS +	GOALS -
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	20	15	2	3	622	543
7	LIDL STARLIGUE	26	24	0	2	899	729
2016-2017	COUPE DE FRANCE	2	1	0	1	66	63
.	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	4	4	0	0	140	122
2(TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS	2	2	0	0	67	53
	TOTAL	54	46	2	6	1794	1510
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	18	14	1	3	557	486
9	LIDL STARLIGUE	26	23	0	3	883	739
2015-2016	COUPE DE FRANCE	5	4	0	1	183	136
015 -	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	3	2	0	1	112	100
2(TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS	2	2	0	0	59	55
	TOTAL	54	45	1	8	1794	1516
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	14	8	1	5	395	363
2	LIDL STARLIGUE	26	22	1	3	842	661
-2015	COUPE DE FRANCE	5	5	0	0	148	117
2014-	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	1	0	0	1	24	25
2	TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS 2		2	0	0	71	58
	TOTAL	48	37	2	9	1480	1224



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		GAMES	WINS	DRAWS	LOSSES	GOALS +	GOALS -
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	14	7	1	6	429	402
4	LIDL STARLIGUE	26	19	2	5	825	730
2013-2014	COUPE DE FRANCE	5	5	0	0	173	152
013-	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	2	1	0	1	83	72
2(TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS	2	1	0	1	76	59
	TOTAL	49	33	3	13	1586	1415
	LIGUE DES CHAMPIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Ю	LIDL STARLIGUE	26	24	1	1	870	699
-201	COUPE DE FRANCE	5	4	0	1	169	136
2012-2013	COUPE DE LA LIGUE	2	1	0	1	68	57
2(TROPHÉE DES CHAMPIONS	0	0	0	0	0	0
	TOTAL	33	29	1	3	1107	892

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GAME BY GAME - SEASON 2020-2021

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ANSWER TO THE PREVIOUS TRIVIA QUESTION

TWO OTHER PLAYERS FROM THE REUNION ISLAND PLAYED WITH PATRICK CAZAL AT PARIS ASNIERES: Maxime Spincer (goalkeeper) and Bernard Latchimy (right back).