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**MACHINESEEKER EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE 2022/23**

MOTW — Group B, Round 1: THW Kiel vs Elverum Handball

# THW KIEL (GER) VS ELVERUM HANDBALL (NOR)

## GROUP B



Wednesday 14 September 2022, 18:45 CEST



### Playing hall

**Wunderino Arena**  
Europaplatz 1  
24103 Kiel  
Germany  
Capacity: 10,285

## ROUND 1



### Most games vs Elverum Handball:

Nikola Bilyk, Leon Ciudad Benitez,  
Rune Dahmke, Domagoj Duvnjak,  
Sven Ehrig, Niclas Ekberg, Pavel Horak,  
Magnus Landin, Niklas Landin,  
Harald Reinkind, Sander Sagosen,  
Steffen Weinhold, Patrick Wiencsek,  
Miha Zarabec all 2

### Most goals vs Elverum Handball:

Harald Reinkind 9  
Domagoj Duvnjak 8  
Steffen Weinhold 8  
Patrick Wiencsek 8  
Sander Sagosen 7

- The MOTW between THW Kiel and Elverum Handball will open the Machineseker EHF Champions League 2022/23 – the competition's anniversary 30th season.

- Swedish left back Eric Johansson moved from Elverum to Kiel in the off-season.

- Johansson was the top scorer with eight goals for Elverum when the teams last met in February 2022 – but Kiel won that group phase match by a single goal (31:30).

- Elverum also saw Hungarian international Dominik Mathe leave the club; he joined Paris Saint-Germain HB.

- Kiel have three Norwegian players in their squad: Sander Sagosen, who is out after ankle surgery; Harald Reinkind; and new arrival Petter Øverby, who played seven seasons for Elverum in the past (2010-17).

- At Kiel, Øverby is a replacement for line player Hendrik Pekeler, who is recovering from a torn Achilles tendon.

- Sagosen will play in Norway next season – at Kolstad.

- Goalkeeper Niklas Landin is also in his last season at Kiel, before returning to Denmark and joining Aalborg.

- Kiel have signed a third Scandinavian player alongside Johansson and Øverby: Swedish EHF EURO 2022 gold medallist Karl Wallinius, who arrived from Montpellier.

- Kiel start their 25th CL season; Elverum their ninth.

- Elverum reached the CL play-offs in each of the last two seasons, but lost to Barça and PSG, respectively.

- Kiel did not lose a CL home match in the entire 2021/22 season: seven wins, one draw from eight games.

- Kiel have been unbeaten in all 10 previous European cup games against teams from Norway: nine wins and one draw – at Sandefjord more than two decades ago.

- On the other hand, Elverum have lost all the eight matches they played against German opponents, including both group phase duels with Kiel last season.

- Kiel are second in the all-time CL standings, with 217 wins, 24 draws, and 87 defeats in 328 matches; Elverum are ranked 31st, with 23 wins from 87 matches.

- Elverum ended the 2021/22 season as Norwegian league champions; Kiel failed to defend their Bundesliga title from 2021 and finished runners-up to SC Magdeburg.

- Tobias Grøndahl was Elverum's best scorer last CL season with 81 goals; Niclas Ekberg led for Kiel with 74.

- Injury report:** Kiel: Sander Sagosen (ankle), Hendrik Pekeler (Achilles tendon) – Elverum: Kristian Larsen (finger).

### Most games vs THW Kiel:

Niclas Fingren, Thorsten Fries,  
Tobias Grøndahl, Christopher Hedberg,  
Sindre Heldal, Emil Imsgard,  
Eric Johansson, Endre Langaas,  
Kristian Larsen, Kasper Lien,  
Dominik Mathe, Stig-Tore Moen,  
Thomas Solstad, Orri Freyr Thorkelsson,  
Josip Vidovic all 2

### Most goals vs THW Kiel:

Eric Johansson 15  
Thomas Solstad 11  
Tobias Grøndahl 7  
Christopher Hedberg 6  
Kasper Lien 6  
Dominik Mathe 6

### Domestic league

#### LIQUI MOLY Bundesliga

Last 3 games:

11/09 vs Bergischer HC W35:29

07/09 @ SC DHfK Leipzig W22:32

04/09 vs TVB Stuttgart W36:23

Next game:

18/09 @ GWD Minden

Standings as of 13/09:

<b>1. Kiel</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>103:74</b>	<b>6</b>
2. Füchse	3	102:73	6
3. Flensburg	3	102:78	6
4. Magdeburg	3	93:79	6
5. Erlangen	3	94:82	6
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18. Stuttgart	3	71:96	0

### Domestic league

#### REMA 1000-ligaen

Last 3 games:

11/09 vs Fjellhammer W30:25

06/09 vs ØIF Arendal Elite L34:36

03/09 @ Nærbø W27:31

Next game:

03/10 vs Drammen

Standings as of 13/09:

1. Runar	2	72:52	4
2. Kolstad	2	67:47	4
<b>3. Elverum</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>95:88</b>	<b>4</b>
4. Arendal	2	62:60	3
5. Halden	2	59:57	3
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12. Bækkelaget	1	20:38	0

## PREVIOUS MATCHES IN EUROPEAN CLUB COMPETITIONS

### THW Kiel vs Elverum Handball 2-0-0 (72:66) 4:0

22.09.2021	THW Kiel vs Elverum Handball, EHF Champions League – Group A	41:36 (20:20)
17.02.2022	Elverum Handball vs THW Kiel, EHF Champions League – Group A	30:31 (15:14)

### THW KIEL VS NORWEGIAN CLUBS 9–1–0

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
1998/99	Viking Stavanger	35:29	27:23	EHF Champions League – Group C
1999/00	Sandefjord TIF	34:21	27:27	EHF Champions League – Group A
2008/09	Drammen HK	40:28	39:29	EHF Champions League – Group C
2018/19	Drammen HK	34:23	36:18	EHF Cup – Qualification Round 3
2021/22	Elverum Handball	41:36	31:30	EHF Champions League – Group A

### ELVERUM HANDBALL VS GERMAN CLUBS 0–0–8

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2010/11	VfL Gummersbach	33:37	25:44	Cup Winners' Cup – Quarter-final
2019/20	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	28:34	19:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2020/21	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	29:30	35:37	EHF Champions League – Group A
2021/22	THW Kiel	30:31	36:41	EHF Champions League – Group A

## DETAILS OF THE MOST RECENT DIRECT ENCOUNTER

### Elverum Handball vs THW Kiel 30:31 (15:14) 17.02.2022 (Lillehammer, NOR)

(EHF Champions League Men 2021/22 – Group A)

Referees: Duarte Santos/Ricardo Fonseca (Portugal).

Suspensions: 8' – 14' (Hedberg 2', Fingren 4', Langaas 2' – Duvnjak 4', Magnus Landin 2', Weinhold 4', Wiencek 2', Dahmke 2').

Number of 7m: 1/0 – 4/2.

Attendance: 8,532.



#### Emil Imsgard

Thorsten Fries -> Fredercia

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#### Josip Vidovic

Christopher Hedberg (1)

Kristian Larsen (6)

Stig-Tore Moen (3)

Kasper Lien (3)

Niclas Fingren (3)

Tobias Grøndahl (4)

Orri Freyr Thorkelsson (4)

Endre Langaas (1)

Dominik Mathe -> PSG (2)

Eric Johansson -> Kiel (8)

Erlend Stafset -> Nøtterøy (3)

Sindre Heldal (3)

Thomas Solstad -> BSH (5)

#### Niklas Landin

Philip Saggau

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Sven Ehrig

Domagoj Duvnjak

Sander Sagosen

Harald Reinkind (2)

Magnus Landin (1)

Steffen Weinhold (3)

Patrick Wiencek (3)

Niclas Ekberg (4)

Leon Ciudad Benitez -> Schwartau-Lübeck

Rune Dahmke

Miha Zarabec

Pavel Horak -> Lovci Lovosice

Nikola Bilyk (1)



## MOST GOALS IN ONE GAME FOR THW KIEL VS ELVERUM HANDBALL

Harald Reinkind	7	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Sander Sagosen	6	17.02.2022	Elverum Handball-THW Kiel	30:31
Sven Ehrig	5	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Magnus Landin	5	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Steffen Weinhold	5	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Patrick Wiencek	5	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36

## MOST GOALS IN ONE GAME FOR ELVERUM HANDBALL VS THW KIEL

Eric Johansson	8	17.02.2022	Elverum Handball-THW Kiel	30:31
Eric Johansson	7	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Thomas Solstad	6	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Christopher Hedberg	5	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Simen Pettersen	5	22.09.2021	THW Kiel-Elverum Handball	41:36
Thomas Solstad	5	17.02.2022	Elverum Handball-THW Kiel	30:31

## MOTW '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 awarded at all MOTWs in the Machineseeker EHF Champions League 2022/23 season.

The trophy will be handed over on court shortly after the match.

**Awarded players in the 2022/23 season:**

Round 1:



## LAST 10 GAMES IN THE MACHINESEEKER EHF CHAMPIONS LEAGUE



### THW Kiel: current run – won one

19.06.2022 Cologne GER	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 37:35 (a7m)
18.06.2022 Cologne GER	@ Barça ESP	L 30:34
19.05.2022 Kiel GER	vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	W 33:32
11.05.2022 Paris FRA	@ Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	D 30:30
03.03.2022 Zagreb CRO	@ HC PPD Zagreb CRO	W 27:28
23.02.2022 Kiel GER	vs Montpellier HB FRA	W 35:26
17.02.2022 Lillehammer NOR	@ Elverum Handball NOR	W 30:31
09.12.2021 Szeged HUN	@ Pick Szeged HUN	L 30:26
02.12.2021 Kiel GER	vs HC Vardar 1961 MKD	W 32:30
24.11.2021 Aalborg DEN	@ Aalborg Håndbold DEN	L 35:33



### Elverum Handball: current run – winless 10

07.04.2022 Paris FRA	@ Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	L 37:30
30.03.2022 Elverum FRA	vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	D 30:30
09.03.2022 Skopje MKD	@ HC Vardar 1961 MKD	L 39:30
02.03.2022 Elverum NOR	vs Pick Szeged HUN	L 24:27
23.02.2022 Aalborg DEN	@ Aalborg Håndbold DEN	L 32:27
17.02.2022 Lillehammer NOR	vs THW Kiel GER	L 30:31
08.12.2021 Elverum NOR	vs Aalborg Håndbold DEN	L 28:34
01.12.2021 Elverum NOR	vs HC Meshkov Brest BLR	L 32:33
24.11.2021 Montpellier FRA	@ Montpellier HB FRA	L 39:32
17.11.2021 Elverum NOR	vs Montpellier HB FRA	L 30:37

## THW KIEL PLAYERS' CAREER STATISTICS AGAINST ELVERUM HANDBALL

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Niklas Landin	DEN	2	2	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Tomas Mrkva	CZE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Philip Saggau	GER	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Ben Connor Battermann	GER	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Nikola Bilyk	AUT	2	2	0	0	3	1,50	2	0
Rune Dahmke	GER	2	2	0	0	5	2,50	4	2'
Domagoj Duvnjak	CRO	2	2	0	0	8	4,00	4 (2)	4'
Sven Ehrig	GER	2	2	0	0	6	3,00	5	0
Niclas Ekberg	SWE	2	2	0	0	6	3,00	4	0
Eric Johansson	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Magnus Landin	DEN	2	2	0	0	6	3,00	5	2'
Petter Øverby	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Henri Pabst	GER	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Hendrik Pekeler	GER	1	1	0	0	3	3,00	3	2'
Harald Reinkind	NOR	2	2	0	0	9	4,50	7	0
Sander Sagosen	NOR	3	3	0	0	15	5,00	8	0
Karl Wallinius	SWE	2	2	0	0	9	4,50	6	0
Steffen Weinhold	GER	2	2	0	0	8	4,00	5	4'
Patrick Wiencek	GER	2	2	0	0	8	4,00	5	2'
Miha Zarabec	SLO	4	3	0	1	10	2,50	6	2'

Sander Sagosen (Paris Saint-Germain HB 2019/20); Karl Wallinius (Montpellier HB 2021/22);  
Patrick Wiencek (VfL Gummersbach 2010/11 – DNP); Miha Zrabec (RK Maribor Branik 2012/13)

## ELVERUM HANDBALL PLAYERS' CAREER STATISTICS AGAINST THW KIEL

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Emil Imsgard	NOR	2	0	0	2	0	0,00	0	0
Šimon Mizera	CZE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Håvar Hildre Skare	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Patrick Helland Anderson	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kassem Awad	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Benjamin Berg	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Daniel Blomgren	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Uros Borzas	SRB	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Niclas Fingren	SWE	2	0	0	2	0	0,00	0	8'
Tobias Grøndahl	NOR	2	0	0	2	7	3,50	4	0
Andreas Haugseng	NOR	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Christopher Hedberg	SWE	2	0	0	2	6	3,00	5	2'
Sindre Haldal	NOR	2	0	0	2	3	1,50	3	0
Kristian Larsen	NOR	2	0	0	2	0	0,00	0	0
Endre Langaas	NOR	2	0	0	2	2	1,00	1 (2)	2'
Kasper Lien	NOR	2	0	0	2	6	3,00	3 (2)	2'
Stig-Tore Moen	NOR	2	0	0	2	4	2,00	3	0
Orri Freyr Thorkelsson	ISL	2	0	0	2	1	0,50	1	0
Josip Vidovic	CRO	2	0	0	2	0	0,00	0	0

Uros Borzas (Telekom Veszprém HC 2017/18 – DNP)

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