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ROUND 2 REVIEW

Results

Round 2

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Date	Pool	Home	Away	Score
18/12/2020	A	Scarlets	RC Toulon	28-0
18/12/2020	A	Wasps	Montpellier	33-14
19/12/2020	A	Leinster Rugby	Northampton Saints	35-19
19/12/2020	B	Glasgow Warriors	Lyon	0-28
19/12/2020	B	Gloucester Rugby	Ulster Rugby	38-34
19/12/2020	A	La Rochelle	Bath Rugby	28-0
19/12/2020	B	ASM Clermont	Munster Rugby	31-39
19/12/2020	A	Sale Sharks	Edinburgh Rugby	15-16
19/12/2020	A	Bordeaux-Bègles	Dragons	47-8
20/12/2020	B	Harlequins	Racing 92	7-49
20/12/2020	B	Toulouse	Exeter Chiefs	28-0
20/12/2020	B	Connacht Rugby	Bristol Bears	18-27

Fixtures

Round 3

Date	Time	Pool	Home	Away	Venue
15/01/2021	17:30	A	Northampton Saints	Leinster Rugby	Franklin's Gardens
15/01/2021	20:00	A	RC Toulon	Scarlets	Stade Félix Mayol
16/01/2021	13:00	B	Lyon	Glasgow Warriors	Matmut Stadium de Gerland
16/01/2021	13:00	B	Ulster Rugby	Gloucester Rugby	Kingspan Stadium
16/01/2021	15:15	B	Exeter Chiefs	Toulouse	Sandy Park
16/01/2021	17:30	B	Munster Rugby	ASM Clermont Auvergne	Thomond Park
16/01/2021	17:30	A	Edinburgh Rugby	Sale Sharks	BT Murrayfield
16/01/2021	20:00	A	Montpellier	Wasps	GGL Stadium
17/01/2021	13:00	A	Bath Rugby	La Rochelle	Recreation Ground
17/01/2021	15:15	B	Racing 92	Harlequins	Paris La Défense Arena
17/01/2021	15:15	A	Dragons	Bordeaux-Bègles	Rodney Parade
17/01/2021	17:30	B	Bristol Bears	Connacht Rugby	Ashton Gate

2020/21 season weekends

Round 1 - 11/12/13 December 2020

Round 2 - 18/19/20 December 2020

Round 3 - 15/16/17 January 2021

Round 4 - 22/23/24 January 2021

Heineken Champions Cup quarter-finals, 1st leg - 2/3/4 April 2021

Challenge Cup Round of 16 - 2/3/4 April 2021

Heineken Champions Cup quarter-finals, 2nd leg - 9/10/11 April 2021

Challenge Cup quarter-finals - 9/10/11 April 2021

Semi-finals - 30 April - 1/2 May 2021

Marseille 2021 finals

Challenge Cup final - Friday 21 May, Stade Vélodrome

Heineken Champions Cup final - Saturday 22 May, Stade Vélodrome

Pools

Pool A

Rank		Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Leinster Rugby	2	2	0	0	70	33	37	9	4	2	0	10
2	Wasps	2	2	0	0	57	22	35	9	3	2	0	10
3	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	2	0	0	63	20	43	8	1	1	0	9
4	La Rochelle	2	2	0	0	41	8	33	6	1	1	0	9
5	Scarlets	2	2	0	0	51	19	32	6	2	1	0	9
6	Edinburgh Rugby	2	1	0	1	24	28	-4	2	4	0	1	5
7	RC Toulon	2	1	0	1	26	42	-16	2	6	0	0	4
8	Sale Sharks	2	0	0	2	29	42	-13	4	3	0	1	1
9	Northampton Saints	2	0	0	2	31	51	-20	3	5	0	1	1
10	Bath Rugby	2	0	0	2	19	51	-32	2	6	0	1	1
11	Montpellier	2	0	0	2	28	68	-40	3	10	0	0	0
12	Dragons	2	0	0	2	16	71	-55	2	11	0	0	0

Pool B

Rank		Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Lyon	2	2	0	0	83	10	73	12	1	2	0	10
2	Racing 92	2	2	0	0	75	29	46	11	4	2	0	10
3	Toulouse	2	2	0	0	57	22	35	8	3	2	0	10
4	Munster Rugby	2	2	0	0	60	38	22	5	5	0	0	8
5	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	1	0	1	82	77	5	11	8	2	0	6
6	Bristol Bears	2	1	0	1	65	69	-4	9	9	2	0	6
7	Exeter Chiefs	2	1	0	1	42	28	14	6	4	1	0	5
8	Gloucester Rugby	2	1	0	1	48	89	-41	6	12	1	0	5
9	Ulster Rugby	2	0	0	2	56	67	-11	7	9	1	2	3
10	Connacht Rugby	2	0	0	2	40	53	-13	5	8	0	1	1
11	Harlequins	2	0	0	2	14	70	-56	2	9	0	0	0
12	Glasgow Warriors	2	0	0	2	0	70	-70	0	10	0	0	0

Round 2 Top Performers

		Points
JJ HANRAHAN	Munster Rugby	24
JOHN COONEY	Ulster Rugby	17
MATTHIEU JALIBERT	Bordeaux-Bègles	15
SANTIAGO CORDERO	Bordeaux-Bègles	15
ROSS BYRNE	Leinster Rugby	15

		Carries
RYAN BAIRD	Leinster Rugby	18
COBUS WIESE	Sale Sharks	17
ROBBIE HENSHAW	Leinster Rugby	16
SAM HILL	Sale Sharks	16
ALEX DOMBRANDT	Harlequins	15

		Metres
ROHAN JANSE VAN RENSBURG	Sale Sharks	153
MIKE HALEY	Munster Rugby	130
SANTIAGO CORDERO	Bordeaux-Bègles	126
PIERS O'CONNOR	Bristol Bears	111
KURTLEY BEALE	Racing 92	94

		Defenders Beaten
TAINÉ BASHAM	Dragons	7
DONOVAN TAOFIFENUA	Racing 92	6
CHRIS HARRIS	Gloucester Rugby	6
ALFIE BARBEARY	Wasps	6
PECELI YATO	ASM Clermont Auvergne	6
BLAIR KINGHORN	Edinburgh Rugby	6

		Offloads
MATTHIEU JALIBERT	Bordeaux-Bègles	4
PECELI YATO	ASM Clermont Auvergne	3
ROMAIN BUROS	Bordeaux-Bègles	3
SAM JAMES	Sale Sharks	3
FAF DE KLERK	Sale Sharks	3

		Tackles
SAM DUGDALE	Sale Sharks	21
BEN EARL	Bristol Bears	18
GLEN YOUNG	Harlequins	17
BROK HARRIS	Dragons	17
COBUS WIESE	Sale Sharks	17
DAVID O'CONNOR	Ulster Rugby	17
JAMIE HODGSON	Edinburgh Rugby	17
BEN TOOLIS	Edinburgh Rugby	17

2020/21 Heineken Champions Cup - Leading Scorers

Points

Rank			Matches	Points	Penalties	Conversions	Drop Goals	Tries
1	JJ Hanrahan	Munster Rugby	2	30	8	3	0	0
2	Camille Lopez	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	25	3	8	0	0
3	John Cooney	Ulster Rugby	2	24	3	5	0	1
4	Santiago Cordero	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	20	0	0	0	4
4	Ross Byrne	Leinster Rugby	2	20	4	4	0	0
6	Matthieu Jalibert	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	17	0	6	0	1
7	Louis Carbonel	RC Toulon	1	16	4	2	0	0
7	Callum Sheedy	Bristol Bears	2	16	2	5	0	0
9	Damian Penaud	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	15	0	0	0	3
9	Kotaro Matsushima	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	15	0	0	0	3
9	Xavier Mignot	Lyon	1	15	0	0	0	3

Tries

Rank			Matches	Tries
1	Santiago Cordero	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	4
2	Damian Penaud	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	3
2	Kotaro Matsushima	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	3
2	Xavier Mignot	Lyon	1	3
5	Alfie Barbeary	Wasps	2	2
5	Bryan Byrne	Bristol Bears	2	2
5	Cheslin Kolbe	Toulouse	1	2
5	Dave Kearney	Leinster Rugby	2	2
5	Donovan Taofifenua	Racing 92	2	2
5	Georges-Henri Colombe	Racing 92	2	2
5	Ioan Lloyd	Bristol Bears	2	2
5	Rob Herring	Ulster Rugby	2	2

Goalkicking %

Rank			Matches	Penalties	Conversions	Attempts*	%
1	Joe Simmonds	Exeter Chiefs	1	0	6	6	100%
1	Louis Carbonel	RC Toulon	1	4	2	6	100%
3	JJ Hanrahan	Munster Rugby	2	8	3	12	92%
4	Camille Lopez	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	3	8	13	85%
5	Ben Botica	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	3	1	5	80%
5	Thomas Ramos	Toulouse	1	1	3	5	80%
7	Callum Sheedy	Bristol Bears	2	2	5	9	78%
8	Jonathan Wisniewski	Lyon	1	1	5	8	75%
8	Matthieu Jalibert	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	0	6	8	75%
10	John Cooney	Ulster Rugby	2	3	5	11	73%
10	Ross Byrne	Leinster Rugby	2	4	4	11	73%

* 5+ attempts

2020/21 Heineken Champions Cup – Top Performers

Carries

Rank			Matches	Carries
1	Kurtley Beale	Racing 92	2	28
2	Max Malins	Bristol Bears	2	26
3	Sam Hill	Sale Sharks	2	25
4	Cobus Wiese	Sale Sharks	2	24
4	Kyle Moyle	Gloucester Rugby	2	24
4	Mike Haley	Munster Rugby	2	24
4	Piers O'Connor	Bristol Bears	2	24
4	Rhys Ruddock	Leinster Rugby	2	24
4	Robbie Henshaw	Leinster Rugby	2	24
10	Alex Dombrandt	Harlequins	2	23
10	Alfie Barbeary	Wasps	2	23
10	Gregory Alldritt	La Rochelle	1	23
10	Henry Chavancy	Racing 92	2	23
10	Paul Boyle	Connacht Rugby	2	23
10	Viliame Mata	Edinburgh Rugby	2	23

Metres

Rank			Matches	Metres
1	Kurtley Beale	Racing 92	2	246
2	Max Malins	Bristol Bears	2	191
3	Mike Haley	Munster Rugby	2	178
4	Piers O'Connor	Bristol Bears	2	169
5	Santiago Cordero	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	163
6	Alex Wootton	Connacht Rugby	2	155
7	Rohan Janse van Rensburg	Sale Sharks	1	153
8	Josh Bassett	Wasps	2	150
9	Kyle Moyle	Gloucester Rugby	2	149
10	Seb Nagle-Taylor	Gloucester Rugby	2	139

Breaks

Rank			Matches	Breaks
1	Kurtley Beale	Racing 92	2	10
2	Dave Kearney	Leinster Rugby	2	6
2	Xavier Mignot	Lyon	1	6
4	Ben Lam	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	4
4	Damian Penaud	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	4
4	Ed Holmes	Bristol Bears	2	4
4	Harry Randall	Bristol Bears	2	4
4	Henry Purdy	Bristol Bears	1	4
4	Ioan Lloyd	Bristol Bears	2	4
4	John Porch	Connacht Rugby	2	4
4	Josh Bassett	Wasps	2	4
4	Kotaro Matsushima	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	4
4	Kyle Moyle	Gloucester Rugby	2	4
4	Max Malins	Bristol Bears	2	4
4	Santiago Cordero	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	4

Defenders Beaten

Rank			Matches	Defenders Beaten
1	Damian Penaud	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	11
2	George Moala	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	10
2	Santiago Cordero	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	10
4	Alfie Barbeary	Wasps	2	9
4	Marland Yarde	Sale Sharks	2	9
4	Taine Basham	Dragons	2	9
7	Alex Morgan	Gloucester Rugby	1	7
7	Donovan Taofifenua	Racing 92	2	7
7	Kurtley Beale	Racing 92	2	7
7	Nathan Hughes	Bristol Bears	2	7
7	Piers O'Connor	Bristol Bears	2	7
7	Tom O'Flaherty	Exeter Chiefs	1	7

Offloads

Rank			Matches	Offloads
1	Max Malins	Bristol Bears	2	5
1	Romain Buros	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	5
3	Matthieu Jalibert	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	4
3	Seb Nagle-Taylor	Gloucester Rugby	2	4
3	Yoram Moefana	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	4
6	Baptiste Couilloud	Lyon	1	3
6	Faf de Klerk	Sale Sharks	2	3
6	Jean-Luc du Preez	Sale Sharks	2	3
6	Nathan Hughes	Bristol Bears	2	3
6	Nick Tompkins	Dragons	2	3
6	Peceli Yato	ASM Clermont Auvergne	1	3
6	Sam James	Sale Sharks	2	3
6	Santiago Cordero	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	3
6	Toby Arnold	Lyon	1	3
6	Vincent Martin	Montpellier	3	3

Tackles

Rank			Matches	Tackles	Missed Tackles
1	Stuart McNally	Edinburgh Rugby	2	34	3
2	Hamish Watson	Edinburgh Rugby	2	30	2
3	Ben Toolis	Edinburgh Rugby	2	28	0
3	Brok Harris	Dragons	2	28	0
3	Fritz Lee	ASM Clermont Auvergne	2	28	3
3	Lewis Ludlow	Gloucester Rugby	2	28	0
7	Glen Young	Harlequins	2	27	1
8	Josh van der Flier	Leinster Rugby	2	26	4
8	Mahamadou Diaby	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	26	2
8	Nicolaas Janse van Rensburg	Montpellier	2	26	2
8	Will Evans	Harlequins	2	26	3

Lineouts

Rank			Matches	Lineouts Won (inc. steals)	Lineout Steals
1	Ben Toolis	Edinburgh Rugby	2	17	0
1	Cameron Woki	Bordeaux-Bègles	2	17	3
3	Ultan Dillane	Connacht Rugby	2	15	2
4	Tadhg Beirne	Munster Rugby	2	14	2
5	Joe Maksymiw	Dragons	2	12	0
5	Yacouba Camara	Montpellier	2	12	1
7	Nick Isiekwe	Northampton Saints	2	11	1
7	Will Rowlands	Wasps	1	11	0
9	Alan O'Connor	Ulster Rugby	2	10	1
9	Baptiste Chouzenoux	Racing 92	2	10	1
9	Lewis Ludlow	Gloucester Rugby	2	10	2

Turnovers

Rank			Matches	Turnovers
1	Bismarck Du Plessis	Montpellier	2	4
1	Sam Dugdale	Sale Sharks	2	4
1	Sam Simmonds	Exeter Chiefs	1	4
1	Samuel Matavesi	Northampton Saints	2	4
1	Taine Basham	Dragons	2	4
6	Api Ratuniyarawa	Northampton Saints	2	3
6	Callum Sheedy	Bristol Bears	2	3
6	Maxime Machenaud	Racing 92	2	3
6	Sam Underhill	Bath Rugby	1	3
6	Seb Nagle-Taylor	Gloucester Rugby	2	3
6	Stuart McNally	Edinburgh Rugby	2	3
6	Val Rapava-Ruskin	Gloucester Rugby	1	3
6	Will Skelton	La Rochelle	1	3

Disciplinary Update

Yellow Cards

Round	Name	Club	Opposition	Match Date
1	Cameron Woki	Bordeaux-Bègles	Northampton Saints	11/12/2020
	Maxime Lucu	Bordeaux-Bègles	Northampton Saints	11/12/2020
	Maxime Médard	Toulouse	Ulster Rugby	11/12/2020
	Sébastien Bézy	ASM Clermont Auvergne	Bristol Bears	12/12/2020
	Aaron Jarvis	Dragons	Wasps	12/12/2020
	Jared Rosser	Dragons	Wasps	12/12/2020
	Will Rowlands	Wasps	Dragons	12/12/2020
	Lima Sopoaga	Wasps	Dragons	12/12/2020
	Sam Johnson	Glasgow Warriors	Exeter Chiefs	13/12/2020
	Will Evans	Harlequins	Munster Rugby	13/12/2020
	James Chisholm	Harlequins	Munster Rugby	13/12/2020
	Alex Dombrandt	Harlequins	Munster Rugby	13/12/2020
	Stephen Archer	Munster Rugby	Harlequins	13/12/2020
	2	Alfie Barbeary	Wasps	Montpellier
Judicael Cancoriet		ASM Clermont Auvergne	Munster Rugby	19/12/2020
Thibault Lanen		ASM Clermont Auvergne	Munster Rugby	19/12/2020
Louis Rees-Zammit		Gloucester Rugby	Ulster Rugby	19/12/2020
Shane Daly		Munster Rugby	ASM Clermont Auvergne	19/12/2020
Jean-Luc du Preez		Sale Sharks	Edinburgh Rugby	19/12/2020
Rob Herring		Ulster Rugby	Gloucester Rugby	19/12/2020
Alan O'Connor		Ulster Rugby	Gloucester Rugby	19/12/2020
Ethan McLroy		Ulster Rugby	Gloucester Rugby	19/12/2020
Siale Piutau		Bristol Bears	Connacht Rugby	20/12/2020
Bundee Aki		Connacht Rugby	Bristol Bears	20/12/2020
Scott Steele		Harlequins	Racing 92	20/12/2020

Red Cards

Round	Name	Club	Opposition	Match Date
2	Henry Immelman	Montpellier	Wasps	18/12/2020

Key Tournament Rules

The following is a summary of the rules of the 2020/21 Heineken Champions Cup tournament:

1 FORMAT

Pool Draw

1.1 The 24 clubs (eight from each league) were divided into four tiers based on their performances in the knockout phases of their respective leagues, and/or on their qualifying positions in their respective league tables as follows:

Tier 1 (6 clubs): 1st and 2nd ranked clubs from each league

Tier 2 (6 clubs): 3rd and 4th ranked clubs from each league

Tier 3 (6 clubs): 5th and 6th ranked clubs from each league

Tier 4 (6 clubs): 7th and 8th ranked clubs from each league

1.2 The clubs were drawn and/or allocated from the four tiers into two pools of 12 – Pool A and Pool B. Clubs from the same league in the same tier **could not** be in the same pool.

1.3 For the purposes of creating the fixtures, clubs from the same league **cannot** play against one another, and clubs will only play against other clubs in the **same** pool.

The Tier 1 clubs and the Tier 4 clubs which were drawn in the same pool, but which are not in the same league, play one another home and away.

The Tier 2 clubs and the Tier 3 clubs which were drawn in the same pool, but which are not in the same league, play one another home and away.

Pool Stage

1.4 Each club will play four matches during the pool stage, two at home and two away.

1.5 Four match points for a win, two match points for a draw. A bonus point will be awarded to a club scoring four or more tries and to a club losing by seven points or fewer.

If two or more clubs in the same pool are equal on match points, their ranking will be determined as follows:

(i) the best aggregate points difference from the pool stage; or

(ii) if equal, the number of tries scored in the pool stage; or

(iii) if equal, the club with the fewest number of players suspended for disciplinary incidents in the pool stage; or

(iv) if equal, by drawing lots.

Quarter-finals

1.6 The four highest-ranked clubs in Pool A and the four highest-ranked clubs in Pool B will qualify for the quarter-final matches which will be played over two legs on a home and away basis as follows:

QF1: Number 1-ranked club in Pool A v Number 4-ranked club in Pool B

QF2: Number 2-ranked club in Pool B v Number 3-ranked club in Pool A

QF3: Number 2-ranked club in Pool A v Number 3-ranked club in Pool B

QF4: Number 1-ranked club in Pool B v Number 4-ranked club in Pool A

NB The clubs ranked numbers 1 and 2 from Pool A and Pool B will play the second leg of their quarter-finals at home.

1.7 The clubs ranked 5 to 8 in Pool A and 5 to 8 in Pool B will qualify for the round of 16 of the Challenge Cup.

Semi-finals

1.8 Semi-finals, played over one match, will be staged at venues designated by EPCR and the highest-ranked clubs from the pool stage will have home country advantage.

Winner QF1 v Winner QF2

Winner QF3 v Winner QF4

Final

1.9 The 2021 final will be played in Marseille.

NB In the event of drawn matches or equal aggregate scores at the end of normal time during the knockout stage, extra-time will be played with the exception of the first legs of the quarter-final matches. If the scores remain tied at the end of extra time, the winner will be determined as follows: (a) the club that has scored the most tries in the match or matches (including extra time) or (b) if equal, by a place kick competition.

2 ELIGIBILITY OF PLAYERS

2.1 Each club must nominate a squad, however, there is no limit on the number of players nominated at first registration of the season. A minimum of 10 of the players nominated by the club must be capable of playing in front row forward positions. The First Registration deadline was midday (GMT) on **Thursday 19 November 2020** and all players must be fully and properly registered with their club and Union.

2.2 A club must nominate a squad of between 19 and 23 players for each match.

2.3 A minimum of six front row players must be included in each match day squad such that on the first occasion that a replacement is required in each position, a replacement can be made. Where uncontested scrums are ordered due to the departure of a front row player and there is no suitable replacement, the player whose departure caused the uncontested scrums may not be replaced (i.e. the club will be required to play with 14 players).

2.4 Each club may register up to five Additional Players during the pool stage but none during the knockout stage, each to replace a player previously registered. A minimum of three Additional Players must be front row players, one Additional Player can be from any position and one Additional Player must be a medical replacement. Players must have a three-month contract with the club and must not have played for another club in the same tournament. Additional Player registrations must be submitted by 12 noon (GMT) on the Wednesday before the match. De-registered players may be re-registered (in place of the relevant Additional Players) during the pool stage.

2.5 For Second Registration, clubs can add up to three players to supplement their squads and one of the players must be a front row player. The deadline for Second Registration is midday (GMT) on 25 March 2021.

2.6 Each club is permitted an unlimited number of 'non-European players' in each match day squad for the 2020/21 season.

3 ABANDONMENT

3.1 Where a match is abandoned after 60 minutes or more, the result will stand.

3.2 Where a match is abandoned after fewer than 60 minutes, (a) if both clubs and the EPCR Board agree, the result will stand, or (b) the match will be replayed in full no earlier than 48 hours after kick-off of the abandoned match (unless both clubs and EPCR agree otherwise), with both clubs entitled to select new match day squads.

4 MEDIA REGULATION – Match Day Squad announcements

4.1 Each club must announce its match day squad by midday (GMT) on the Thursday before a Friday match and by midday (GMT) on the Friday before a weekend match. The match day squad announced must not differ from the squad that plays save in exceptional circumstances. Breaches of match day squad regulations may result in fines being imposed by the Board of EPCR.