

Amlin Opta Index player head to head (Backs)

Ollie Phillips (Stade Français)

Ollie Phillips has made 378 metres with the ball in hand for Stade Français this season in the Amlin Challenge Cup, only two other players in this competition have made more. These 378 metres have come on 27 carries from the winger, he has also beaten 11 defenders and made nine clean breaks. These impressive stats for the Englishman have come from just five appearances in the ACC. In defence he has made 20 tackles and missed four, conceding just one penalty in the process. At the breakdown the 28-year-old has won two turnovers but lost eight. French international, Aurélien Rougerie has



971	Overall Points	1019
596	Attack	760
339	Defence	242
36	Kicking	17

Aurélien Rougerie (Clermont Auvergne)

been Clermont's leading attacking player in Europe this season, with an AOI score of 760 in this facet of his game. The winger has made 202 metres from 31 carries across the two competitions in Europe this season, making four clean breaks and beating nine defenders in the process. In defence he has made 28 tackles and missed only two, however he has conceded four penalties which has limited his overall AOI score to 1,019. One skill in which Rougerie has excelled this season has been the offload, he has made nine offloads so far in European action compared to just one by Phillips.



Amlin Opta Index player head to head (Forwards)

Pascal Papé (Stade Français)

Both of these players have managed to accrue over 1,000 AOI points so far in Europe this season with Pascal Papé (1,128) just edging out Julien Pierre (1,024). Papé has been more prolific in the lineout, having claimed 17 throws as well as one steal compared to just eight wins on his own throw by Pierre. Both of these locks have been strong in defence this season, Pierre has made 33 tackles and missed none, whilst Papé has made 42 and missed only one. In attack Pierre has made 48 carries for a gain of 93 metres, however he is yet to make a clean break or beat any defenders. The Clermont player has however made



1128	Overall Points	1024
419	Attack	470
505	Defence	439
204	Lineouts	115

Julien Pierre (Clermont Auvergne)

seven offloads which is a key asset in his attacking prowess. Papé has made 40 carries for a gain of 74 metres, going past four defenders and making one clean break in the process, however he has made just three offloads. This battle in the heart of the pack between these two players will be key to deciding who progresses to the final in Cardiff, so far they have both performed steadily in Europe and with their similar game styles it will be a clash to keep a close eye on.



Amlin Challenge Cup semi-final

Stade Français v Clermont Auvergne, Stade Charlety, Friday 29th April 20:45

Player	Score*	Av. Score**		Av. Score**	Score*	Player
Pascal Papé	1128	1099	Top Rated Player	1304	1169	Ti'i Paulo
Hugo Southwell	674	854	Top Rated Attacker	765	760	Aurélien Rougerie
James Haskell	606	658	Top Rated Defender	660	570	Alexandre Lapandry
Laurent Sempéré	313	334	Top Rated Lineout	334	286	Ti'i Paulo
Rabah Slimani	341	520	Top Rated Scrummager	520	373	David Zirakashvili
Lionel Beauxis	245	432	Top Rated Kicker	432	208	Brock James

In this all French semi-final, Clermont will be looking for their third victory of the season over Stade Français, having won two Top14 clashes already this season, preventing Stade from crossing for a try in both games. Hugo Southwell has been Stade's main attacking threat in Europe this season, with an Amlin Opta Index score of 674 in this area of the game, thanks to a gain of 307 metres from just 25 carries.

In defence for the Parisian side, James Haskell has been their top performer having made 42 tackles and missed just one. Clermont's leading performer in European rugby this season has been Ti'i Paulo, the Samoan has accrued 1,304 AOI points overall with a team high 286 of these coming in the lineout. The hooker has thrown 43 successful throws so far, with seven not finding a team mate. The two

leading kickers in this match will see Lionel Beauxis come head to head with Brock James. Beauxis has notched up 22 points from his three appearances in the Amlin Challenge Cup thanks to five conversions and four penalties. James has 19 points from his five appearances, these coming from five conversions and three penalties.

*Based on cumulative scores **Average score based on position