



EUROPEAN RUGBY
CHALLENGE
— CUP —

Challenge Cup 2017/18

Quarter-final: Newcastle Falcons v Brive



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Match Facts

Friday, 30 March 2018

Kick-off: 20:00, Kingston Park

Referee: John Lacey (Ire)

Assistant Referee 1: Andrew Brace (Ire)

Assistant Referee 2: Frank Murphy (Ire)

TMO: Simon McDowell (Ire)

Citing Commissioner: David Hudson (Eng)

TV: Sky Sports / beIN SPORTS

- This will be the 13th match between the clubs. Both sides have six wins to date although Brive have won five of the last six meetings.
- Nine of the 12 clashes, including eight of the last nine, have been decided by a margin no greater than seven points.
- Newcastle won all six pool stage games in this campaign, the only other time they achieved this feat was in 2005/06 when they reached the semi-finals.
- Newcastle have won 15 of their last 18 home games, however, one of the three sides to claim a victory at Kingston Park in that time was Brive (Round 5, 2013/14).
- Brive have lost five of their last six away games against Aviva Premiership opposition, only beating Worcester in that time and conceding an average of 35 points.
- Newcastle Falcons missed fewer tackles than any other club during the pool stage (76), recording the best tackle success rate as a result (92%).
- The Falcons scored 20 first-half tries in the pool stage, more than any other side.
- Adam Radwan is the top try scorer so far this season (10 tries in six games), while no player has gained more metres (630), made more clean breaks (13) or beaten more defenders (45) than the Newcastle wing.
- Brive have used 44 players in the competition this season, more than any other side, despite this Jan Uys is one of just six players yet to miss a minute during the campaign.
- Sisa Koyamaibole has made 10 offloads so far this season, more than any other forward, while Newcastle's Ryan Burrows is one behind (level with Giovanni Licata).



2017/18 Results and Standings

Pool 1

Pos	Team	Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Q Newcastle Falcons	6	6	0	0	229	122	107	33	15	4	0	28
2	Dragons	6	3	0	3	156	133	23	21	17	2	2	16
3	Bordeaux-Bègles	6	3	0	3	190	178	12	26	24	3	1	16
4	Enisei-STM	6	0	0	6	91	233	-142	12	36	0	1	1

Date	Round	Home	Score	Away
14/10/2017	1	Newcastle Falcons	32-27	Dragons
21/10/2017	2	Bordeaux-Begles	20-21	Newcastle Falcons
09/12/2017	3	Newcastle Falcons	52-24	Bordeaux-Begles
15/12/2017	4	Dragons	25-27	Newcastle Falcons
14/01/2018	5	Newcastle Falcons	64-7	Enisei-STM
20/01/2018	6	Enisei-STM	19-33	Newcastle Falcons

Pool 5

Pos	Team	Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Q Connacht Rugby	6	5	1	0	225	102	123	29	15	4	0	26
2	q Brive	6	3	0	3	161	162	-1	23	19	4	1	17
3	Worcester Warriors	6	2	1	3	124	133	-9	16	17	3	2	15
4	Oyonnax	6	1	0	5	102	215	-113	11	28	0	0	4

Date	Round	Home	Score	Away
14/10/2017	1	Worcester Warriors	30-20	Brive
20/10/2017	2	Brive	38-13	Oyonnax
09/12/2017	3	Brive	31-38	Connacht Rugby
16/12/2017	4	Connacht Rugby	55-10	Brive
13/01/2018	5	Oyonnax	19-29	Brive
20/01/2018	6	Brive	33-7	Worcester Warriors



Challenge Cup Records Compared

	Newcastle Falcons	Brive
Played	112	110
Wins	75	68
Draws	0	1
Losses	37	41
Total Points For	3453	3249
Total Points Against	1995	2247
Total Tries For	445	410
Total Tries Against	215	239

2017/18 Points Scorers

Newcastle Falcons:

Player	Points
Adam Radwan	50
Toby Flood	42
Joel Hodgson	34

Brive:

Player	Points
Gaetan Germain	35
Guillaume Namy	15
6 Players	10

Head-to-head record

Newcastle Falcons	Team	Brive
12	Played	12
6	Wins	6
6	Losses	6
0	Draws	0

Date	Home	Score	Away
09/01/2014	Newcastle Falcons	7-9	Brive
13/11/2015	Brive	13-9	Newcastle Falcons
23/01/2016	Newcastle Falcons	27-23	Brive



2017/18 Performance Data

Newcastle Falcons v Brive – Team Averages

	Newcastle Falcons	Brive
Points	38.2	26.8
Tries	5.5	3.8
Goalkicking %	79%	78%
Carries	125.8	109.8
Metres	555.7	358.8
Breaks	13.2	7.0
Defenders Beaten	30.5	19.0
Offloads	14.2	12.0
Passes	193.0	113.3
Kicks from Hand	26.3	17.3
Tackles	142.0	104.3
Missed Tackles	12.7	21.5
Tackle %	92%	83%
Penalties Conceded	9.5	12.8
Turnovers Conceded	14.8	16.0
Turnovers Won	7.7	5.7
Lineout %	85%	91%
Lineout Steals	1.8	2.0
Scrum %	91%	87%
Scrum against the head	0.0	0.2
Ruck %	97%	97%
Time in Possession (mm:ss)	19:57	16:39



Newcastle Falcons v Brive – Leading Scorers - Challenge Cup 2017/18

Points

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Tries	Cons	PGs	DGs	Points
1	Adam Radwan	Newcastle Falcons	6	10	0	0	0	50
2	Toby Flood	Newcastle Falcons	4	2	13	2	0	42
3	Gaetan Germain	Brive	5	1	12	2	0	35
4	Joel Hodgson	Newcastle Falcons	5	2	9	2	0	34
5	Guillaume Namy	Brive	5	3	0	0	0	15
5	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	3	0	0	0	15
7	Craig Willis	Newcastle Falcons	4	1	4	0	0	13
8	9 Players	-	-	-	-	-	-	10

Tries

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Tries
1	Adam Radwan	Newcastle Falcons	6	10
2	Guillaume Namy	Brive	5	3
2	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	3
4	Benito Masilevu	Brive	4	2
4	Damien Jourdain	Brive	2	2
4	Gary Graham	Newcastle Falcons	4	2
4	Joel Hodgson	Newcastle Falcons	5	2
4	Julien Brugnaut	Brive	4	2
4	Mike Tadjer	Brive	5	2
4	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	2
4	Seremaia Burotu	Brive	2	2
4	Sisa Koyamaibole	Brive	4	2
4	Toby Flood	Newcastle Falcons	4	2
4	Zach Kibirige	Newcastle Falcons	4	2

Goalkicking %

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	PGs	Cons	Attempts	%
1	Joel Hodgson	Newcastle Falcons	5	2	9	11	100%
2	Gaetan Germain	Brive	5	2	12	16	88%
3	Nicolas Bézy	Brive	2	1	3	5	80%
4	Toby Flood	Newcastle Falcons	4	2	13	21	71%
5	Craig Willis	Newcastle Falcons	4	0	4	6	67%
5	Matthieu Ugalde	Brive	3	1	1	3	67%
7	Thomas Laranjeira	Brive	4	0	1	2	50%
8	Vasil Lobzhanidze	Brive	3	0	0	1	0%



Newcastle Falcons v Brive – Top Performers – Challenge Cup 2017/18

Carries

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Carries
1	Adam Radwan	Newcastle Falcons	6	78
2	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	61
3	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	57
4	Simon Hammersley	Newcastle Falcons	5	56
5	Sisa Koyamaibole	Brive	4	52
6	Gary Graham	Newcastle Falcons	4	38
7	Benito Masilevu	Brive	4	35
8	Toby Flood	Newcastle Falcons	4	32
9	Peniami Narisia	Brive	5	31
10	Ben Sowrey	Newcastle Falcons	5	30
10	Etienne Herjean	Brive	3	30

Metres

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Metres
1	Adam Radwan	Newcastle Falcons	6	630
2	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	405
3	Simon Hammersley	Newcastle Falcons	5	369
4	Benito Masilevu	Brive	4	254
5	Zach Kibirige	Newcastle Falcons	4	227
6	Guillaume Namy	Brive	5	191
7	Tom Penny	Newcastle Falcons	4	173
8	Sisa Koyamaibole	Brive	4	152
9	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	150
10	Nadir Megdoud	Brive	3	140

Breaks

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Breaks
1	Adam Radwan	Newcastle Falcons	6	13
2	Benito Masilevu	Brive	4	7
2	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	7
4	Micky Young	Newcastle Falcons	4	6
5	Guillaume Namy	Brive	5	5
5	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	5
5	Tom Penny	Newcastle Falcons	4	5
5	Zach Kibirige	Newcastle Falcons	4	5
9	Felix Le Bourhis	Brive	4	4
9	Simon Hammersley	Newcastle Falcons	5	4
9	Toby Flood	Newcastle Falcons	4	4



Defenders Beaten

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Defenders Beaten
1	Adam Radwan	Newcastle Falcons	6	45
2	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	19
3	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	14
4	Guillaume Namy	Brive	5	13
4	Simon Hammersley	Newcastle Falcons	5	13
6	Zach Kibirige	Newcastle Falcons	4	12
7	Nadir Megdoud	Brive	3	11
7	Sisa Koyamaibole	Brive	4	11
9	Benito Masilevu	Brive	4	10
9	Tom Penny	Newcastle Falcons	4	10

Offloads

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Offloads
1	Sisa Koyamaibole	Brive	4	10
2	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	9
3	Simon Hammersley	Newcastle Falcons	5	8
3	Toby Flood	Newcastle Falcons	4	8
5	Alex Tait	Newcastle Falcons	3	7
6	Benjamin Petre	Brive	4	4
6	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	4
6	Maxime Mermoz	Newcastle Falcons	2	4
9	Ben Sowrey	Newcastle Falcons	5	3
9	Franck Romanet	Brive	4	3
9	Gaetan Germain	Brive	5	3
9	Guillaume Namy	Brive	5	3
9	Josh Matavesi	Newcastle Falcons	3	3
9	Sam Lockwood	Newcastle Falcons	4	3
9	Sam Stuart	Newcastle Falcons	6	3
9	Zach Kibirige	Newcastle Falcons	4	3

Tackles

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Tackles	Missed Tackles
1	Ben Sowrey	Newcastle Falcons	5	79	6
2	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	61	3
3	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	58	3
4	Jan Uys	Brive	6	57	9
5	Gary Graham	Newcastle Falcons	4	51	5
6	Will Witty	Newcastle Falcons	4	47	3
7	Glen Young	Newcastle Falcons	3	44	2
7	Peniami Narisia	Brive	5	44	5
9	Tom Penny	Newcastle Falcons	4	36	6
10	Florian Cazenave	Brive	6	35	5



Lineouts

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Lineouts Won (inc. steals)	Lineout Steals
1	Glen Young	Newcastle Falcons	3	20	1
2	Jan Uys	Brive	6	18	3
2	Sean Robinson	Newcastle Falcons	3	18	0
4	Calum Green	Newcastle Falcons	4	14	2
4	Johan Snyman	Brive	3	14	2
6	Etienne Herjean	Brive	3	11	3
7	Petrus Hauman	Brive	2	10	1
8	Will Witty	Newcastle Falcons	4	8	0
9	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	6	1
10	Dominiko Waqaniburotu	Brive	5	5	0
10	Julien Ledevvedec	Brive	2	5	0

Turnovers

Rank	Player	Team	Matches	Turnovers
1	Ryan Burrows	Newcastle Falcons	6	7
2	Calum Green	Newcastle Falcons	4	5
3	Etienne Herjean	Brive	3	4
3	Mark Wilson	Newcastle Falcons	6	4
3	Peniami Narisia	Brive	5	4
3	Sean Robinson	Newcastle Falcons	3	4
3	Simon Uzokwe	Newcastle Falcons	2	4
8	Benjamin Petre	Brive	4	3
8	Felix Le Bourhis	Brive	4	3
8	Florian Cazenave	Brive	6	3
8	James Johnston	Brive	6	3
8	Zach Kibirige	Newcastle Falcons	4	3