



## Euromillions League Round 25: Oostende beat Okapi Aalstar by one after a very close game - Mar 19, 2017

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Fifth-ranked **Okapi Aalstar** (13-13) was very close to win a game against first ranked **Oostende** (20-4) on Friday. Oostende managed to secure only one-point victory **80-79**. However their fans expected much easier game. Oostende shot the lights out from three sinking 14 long-distance shots on high 51.9 percentage. They looked well-organized offensively handing out 22 assists. Worth to mention a great performance of Serbian guard **Dusan Djordjevic** (193-83, agency: [BeoBasket](#)) who helped to win the game recording 18 points and 9 assists (on 7-of-9 shooting from the field). The former international center **Khalid Boukichou** (208-92, agency: [BeoBasket](#)) contributed with 10 points and 7 rebounds for the winners. Oostende's coach **Dario Gjergja** used a ten-player rotation in such tough game. American swingman **Quincy Taylor** (194-82, college: [UAB](#), agency: [Diamond Sports](#)) answered with 19 points and 5 rebounds for Okapi Aalstar. Oostende have an impressive series of eight victories in a row. Defending champion maintains first place with 20-4 record. Okapi Aalstar at the other side keeps the fifth position with 13 games lost. Oostende are looking forward to face Spirou Charleroi (#7) on the road in the next round which should be theoretically an easy game. Okapi Aalstar will play against Leuven Bears and is hoping to prove to their supporters that this time they can win.

An interesting game for **Basic-Fit Brussels** (15-10) which hosted in Brussels their biggest opponent **Antwerp Giants** (17-8). Third ranked Basic-Fit Brussels managed to get a 6-point victory **67-61**. It ended at the same time the five-game winning streak of Antwerp Giants. American players dominated the game. Power forward **Brandon Ubel** (209-91, college: [Nebraska](#), agency: [Pensack Sports](#)) stepped up and scored 15 points and 7 rebounds for the winners and **Chris Dowe** chipped in 10 points, 6 rebounds, 4 assists and 4 steals. At the losing side forward **Ryan Anderson** (206-92, college: [Arizona](#)) responded with a double-double by scoring 17 points, 15 rebounds and 4 assists. The victory was the fourth consecutive win for Basic-Fit Brussels. They maintain third place with 15-10 record having four points less than leader Oostende. Antwerp Giants at the other side keep the second position with eight games lost. Basic-Fit Brussels will play against bottom-ranked Liege Basket (#10) in Liege in the next round and are hoping to win another game. Antwerp Giants will play on the road against the league's leader Oostende (#1) and it may be a tough game between close rivals.

The game between 7th ranked **Spirou Charleroi** (11-13) and ninth ranked **Leuven Bears** (7-18) in Charleroi on Saturday ended with biggest points difference. Guests from Leuven beat Spirou Charleroi **90-79**. **Codi Miller-McIntyre** nailed a double-double by scoring 20 points, 8 rebounds and 11 assists for the winning side. **Jevohn Shepherd** came up with 21 points, 5 rebounds and 5 assists for Spirou Charleroi in the defeat. Spirou Charleroi's coach rotated ten players in this game, but that didn't help. Leuven Bears maintains ninth place with 7-18 record. Spirou Charleroi lost their fifth game in a row. They keep the seventh position with 13 games lost. Leuven Bears will meet higher ranked Okapi Aalstar (#5) on the road in the next round and it will be quite challenging to get another victory. Spirou Charleroi will play against the league's leader Oostende having rather not much hope for a victory.

In the last two games of round 25 bottom-ranked Liege was beaten by Mons-Hainaut on the road 93-86. Kangoeroes won against Limburg United on its own court 98-91.

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### Top scorers:

**Brussels:** B.Ubel 15+7reb+1ast, J.Simmons 12+6reb+1ast, C.Dowe 10+6reb+4ast, G.Muya 8+3reb+3ast, D.Loubry 7+1reb+3ast, A.Lichodzjewski 7+5reb+3ast

**Antwerp:** R.Anderson 17+15reb+4ast, M.Smith 15+2reb+2ast, J.Clark 15+6reb+1ast, D.Conger 9+5reb, G.Ware 3+4reb+1ast, C.Beghin 2+1reb+1ast