

How it went

Thursday 10 September 2026

5 of 10 calls came in

5 missed. 1 fixture(s) carried no call. Bayern München's 5-0 was the widest margin of the night. 4 of the 5 misses were draws.

Every fixture

FIXTURE	WHAT WE SAID	SCORE	VERDICT
  Manchester United v Sabah FA Champions League	Manchester United to win	4–0	RIGHT
  Bayern München v Bodo/Glimt Champions League	Bayern München to win	5–0	RIGHT
  PSV Eindhoven v Shakhtar Donetsk Champions League	PSV Eindhoven to win	1–1	WRONG
  Fenerbahçe v AS Roma Champions League	AS Roma to win	1–1	WRONG
  Como v RB Leipzig Champions League	Too close to separate	4–1	NO CALL
  Slavia Praha v Lens Champions League	Slavia Praha will not win	2–3	RIGHT
  Estrela v SC Braga Primeira Liga	SC Braga to win	2–1	WRONG
  Panathinaikos v Kifisia Super League 1	Panathinaikos to win	3–1	RIGHT
  Al Ain v Al-Wasl FC UAE Pro League	Al-Wasl FC will not win	2–2	RIGHT
  Dubai United v Shabab Al Ahli Dubai UAE Pro League	Shabab Al Ahli Dubai to win	1–1	WRONG

Every fixture, reviewed

Not every line on a card is settled by the score. Where one was, the review says so.

PSV Eindhoven v Shakhtar Donetsk · Champions League

We said **PSV Eindhoven to win**. Final score **1–1**.

A draw. We had PSV Eindhoven winning.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Shakhtar Donetsk scored first, in added time; PSV Eindhoven levelled it in the 48th.
- Little between them on chances: 10 shots to 8.
- G. Mendoza (Shakhtar Donetsk) was the highest-rated player on the pitch, 7.2.
- A draw. PSV Eindhoven needed a goal more and did not find it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

• PSV Eindhoven are expected to score 2.1 to Shakhtar Donetsk's 1.4 — likeliest 2–1. — a likelihood is not settled by one result

✓ PSV Eindhoven are without Ouaisa, Mauro Junior and five others, which thins their attack — already in the figures above. — Ouaisa, Mauro Junior did not start

• On this fixture these two rarely meet, so we are comparing them through other opponents rather than through each other. — a statement about our own evidence, not the match

Wrong, though what we said about the match held — the result went the other way.

Fenerbahçe v AS Roma · Champions League

We said **AS Roma to win**. Final score **1–1**.

A draw. We had AS Roma winning.

WHAT HAPPENED

- AS Roma led in the 39th and were pegged back, conceding once in the 48th.
- M. Svilar made 4 saves for AS Roma.
- B. Cristante (AS Roma) was the highest-rated player on the pitch, 8.1.
- A draw. AS Roma needed a goal more and did not find it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- This one shades toward Roma, with a one-all scoreline the likeliest outcome. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
 - ✓ Fenerbahçe are without Asensio, Guendouzi and two others, a real gap up front. — Asensio, Guendouzi did not start
 - With no recent meetings between them, the comparison rests on other opponents. — a statement about our own evidence, not the match
 - The margin is so slim that a single goal either way flips the verdict. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
- Wrong, though what we said about the match held — the result went the other way.**

Estrela v SC Braga · Primeira Liga

We said **SC Braga to win**. Final score **2–1**.

Wrong. Estrela won it.

WHAT HAPPENED

- SC Braga led in the 5th and lost it, conceding twice between the 45th and the 56th.
- Little between them on chances: 9 shots to 9.
- I. Stoica (Estrela) was the highest-rated player on the pitch, 8.8.
- Wrong. Little between them, and it went the other way.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- The likeliest score is a bare one-goal win, hardly a statement. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
 - Result, attack, strength and form all point the same way. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
 - Two of Braga's away wins came against bottom-third sides, thinner form than it looks. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
 - The lead is thin enough that one goal either way changes the outcome. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
- Wrong; the reasons rested on the record, which one result does not overturn.**

Dubai United v Shabab Al Ahli Dubai · UAE Pro League

We said **Shabab Al Ahli Dubai to win**. Final score **1–1**.

A draw. We had Shabab Al Ahli Dubai winning.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Shabab Al Ahli Dubai had 17 shots to Dubai United's 7, 4 on target.
- S. Ezatolahi (Shabab Al Ahli Dubai) was the highest-rated player on the pitch, 7.8.
- Wrong on the day, not on the read: Shabab Al Ahli Dubai had 17 shots and put 4 on target.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- The likeliest finish is a one goal to two win for the visitors. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
- That edge fits a pattern of four wins from five away days. — a record before kick-off; one result does not test it
- The head to head record is too thin here to add much weight. — a statement about our own evidence, not the match

Wrong; the reasons rested on the record, which one result does not overturn.

Al-Jazira v Al Nasr · UAE Pro League

We said **Al-Jazira to win**. Final score **1–1**.

A draw. We had Al-Jazira winning.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Al-Jazira led in the 10th and were pegged back, conceding once in the 61st.
- M. Coulibaly (Al-Jazira) was the highest-rated player on the pitch, 7.7.
- Al-Jazira had most of the ball.
- A draw. Al-Jazira needed a goal more and did not find it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- Our numbers make this a likely one-goal edge, nothing more. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
- Result, attack, strength and form all lean the same way for Al-Jazira. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
- Home form backs it up, with four wins in the last five there. — a record before kick-off; one result does not test it
- But the gap is so thin that a single goal could flip the outcome. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle

Wrong; the reasons rested on the record, which one result does not overturn.

Manchester United v Sabah FA · Champions League

We said **Manchester United to win**. Final score **4–0**.

Manchester United, by 4. The reading was right; the margin was not on any card.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Manchester United were three up by the 45th.
- Manchester United had 21 shots to Sabah FA's 11, 10 on target.
- S. Pokatilov made 5 saves for Sabah FA.
- Right, and for the right reason: Manchester United had the better of it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- Manchester United are expected to score 3.1 to Sabah FA's 0.7 — likeliest 3–0. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
- On this fixture these two rarely meet, so we are comparing them through other opponents rather than through each other.
- a statement about our own evidence, not the match

Right; the reasons rested on the record, which one result does not test.

Bayern München v Bodo/Glimt · Champions League

We said **Bayern München to win**. Final score **5–0**.

Bayern München, by 5. The reading was right; the margin was not on any card.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Bayern München were three up by the 77th.
- Bodo/Glimt finished with ten after a red card in the 87th, by which time it was already 4-0.
- Bayern München had 25 shots to Bodo/Glimt's 3, 12 on target.
- Right, and for the right reason: Bayern München had the better of it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- Bayern München are expected to score 3.1 to Bodo/Glimt's 1.1 — likeliest 3–1. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
- On this fixture these two rarely meet, so we are comparing them through other opponents rather than through each other.
- a statement about our own evidence, not the match

Right; the reasons rested on the record, which one result does not test.

Como v RB Leipzig · Champions League

We said **Too close to separate**. Final score **4–1**.

Como won it. Too close to call, and the reading leaned Como at 45% — which is how it went.

- No selection was published here, so there is no call to be right or wrong about.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Como were three up by the 54th.
- Little between them on chances: 14 shots to 14.
- M. Baturina (Como) was the highest-rated player on the pitch, 9.0.
- No call was published; the sides were too close to separate.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- Como are expected to score 1.5 to RB Leipzig's 1.1 — likeliest 1–1. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
- ✓ RB Leipzig are without Baumgartner, Kone and two others, which thins their attack — already in the figures above. — Baumgartner, Kone did not start
- On this fixture these two rarely meet, so we are comparing them through other opponents rather than through each other. — a statement about our own evidence, not the match

No call was published; the points above are marked all the same.

Slavia Praha v Lens · Champions League

We said **Slavia Praha will not win**. Final score **2–3**.

Lens took it, in a game with 5 goals in it.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Slavia Praha had a man sent off in the 49th, with the match still level and most of the match to play.
- Slavia Praha led in the 51st and lost it.
- Lens won it in added time.
- Right, and for the right reason: Lens had the better of it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- ✓ Missing Provod, Holes and seven others leaves Slavia light up front. — Provod, Holes did not start
- Both sides look set to score around one goal apiece, with one-one the likeliest score. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
- These two rarely meet, so form through other opponents is the best guide here. — a statement about our own evidence, not the match
- The main risk to the verdict is a home win rather than a draw. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle

Right, for the reason given: Missing Provod, Holes and seven others leaves Slavia light up front.

Panathinaikos v Kifisia · Super League 1

We said **Panathinaikos to win**. Final score **3–1**.

Panathinaikos won it, as we said.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Kifisia finished with ten after a red card in the 63rd, by which time it was already 1-0.
- Panathinaikos had 20 shots to Kifisia's 7, 9 on target.
- M. Ramírez made 6 saves for Kifisia.
- Right, and for the right reason: Panathinaikos had the better of it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- Recent form favours Kifisia, yet our analysis leans firmly the other way. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
- The main threat to a home win is a draw, not a Kifisia victory. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle
- The scoring gap is wide, with Panathinaikos likeliest to win two-nil. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
- Kifisia's tendency to collect cards is the clearest route to things unravelling. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle

Right; the reasons rested on the record, which one result does not test.

Al Ain v Al-Wasl FC · UAE Pro League

We said **Al-Wasl FC will not win**. Final score **2–2**.

A draw — the card said Al-Wasl FC would not win.

WHAT HAPPENED

- Al Ain levelled it in the 82nd.
- Al Ain had 21 shots to Al-Wasl FC's 8, 8 on target.
- D. Horkaš made 6 saves for Al-Wasl FC.
- Right, and for the right reason: Al Ain had the better of it.

WHAT WE SAID, AND WHAT HELD

- Al Ain carry the stronger scoring edge, with the likeliest outcome a one-one draw. — a likelihood is not settled by one result
- Home form backs it up, with four wins from the last five at this ground. — a record before kick-off; one result does not test it
- But when strands like these are wrong, they tend to be wrong all at once. — an interpretation the match sheet cannot settle

Right; the reasons rested on the record, which one result does not test.