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UEFA announces Club Football Awards nominees

Twenty players in contention for UEFA Club Footballer of the Year 2008

UEFA today announced the nominees for the UEFA Club Football Awards to be presented during the UEFA Champions League Group Stage Draw to be held in Monaco on Thursday 28 August at 18:00 CET.

The voting procedure gives the coaches of the 16 teams that reached the knock-out phase of the 2007/08 UEFA Champions League the possibility to cast their votes further to the selection of a shortlist of five players for each position by the UEFA Champions League Technical Observers. The list of nominees is below:

UEFA Club Goalkeeper of the Year:

Manuel Almunia	Arsenal FC
Petr Čech	Chelsea FC
Manuel Neuer	FC Schalke 04
Pepe Reina	Liverpool FC
Edwin van der Sar	Manchester United FC

UEFA Club Defender of the Year:

Jamie Carragher	Liverpool FC
Rio Ferdinand	Manchester United FC
Carles Puyol	FC Barcelona
John Terry	Chelsea FC
Nemanja Vidić	Manchester United FC

UEFA Club Midfielder of the Year:

Michael Essien	Chelsea FC
Cesc Fàbregas	Arsenal FC
Steven Gerrard	Liverpool FC
Frank Lampard	Chelsea FC
Paul Scholes	Manchester United FC

UEFA Club Forward of the Year:

Didier Drogba	Chelsea FC
Lionel Messi	FC Barcelona
Cristiano Ronaldo	Manchester United FC
Wayne Rooney	Manchester United FC
Fernando Torres	Liverpool FC

The **UEFA Club Footballer of the Year 2008** is elected by the sixteen coaches from the above pool of twenty nominees.

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