



Press Release

Handball goals for a good cause: star donates 8,000 euros for children suffering from cancer

Elmshorn, 21 May 2015 – The joint donation campaign from star petrol stations and THW Kiel took place for the third time in this Handball-Bundesliga season. For every goal scored by THW Kiel pivot player Patrick Wiencek, star petrol stations are making a donation of EUR 100 to the children’s cancer ward at the Universitätsklinikum Schleswig-Holstein, Campus Kiel.

In the current 2014/2015 Bundesliga season too, goals scored by the star-sponsored player Patrick Wiencek are worth double. It’s not just the THW fans in the hall rejoicing at every score from the 26-year-old pivot player – the little patients and the staff at the children’s cancer ward at the Schleswig-Holstein Universitätsklinikum have cause for celebration too. With 63 goals already scored for the Kiel “Zebras”, the 2.01m-tall man has already helped raise EUR 6,300.

“The player sponsorship scheme with THW Kiel and Patrick is very close to our hearts. With our engagement, we can actively and continuously make a contribution to the fight against cancer,” explains Wieslaw Milkiewicz, press spokesperson and CEO of star petrol stations. “For this reason, rounding the amount achieved up to EUR 8,000 is a matter dear to our hearts.” This would mean that the donation sum would have more than tripled in comparison to the first year of the player sponsorship campaign, bringing the total raised over the three years to EUR 19,000.

In the previous summer, Patrick Wiencek and Wieslaw Milkiewicz visited the little patients and the staff at the Kiel children’s cancer ward. With them, as well as a gift for every child, they also had a medical cross trainer and a rowing machine, which were purchased from the donation of the successful player sponsorship campaign from the previous season.



Movement is an important component of therapy and supports the patients in their fight against cancer.

This year's presentation of the donation cheque took place during the half-time break of the THW Bundesliga home game against GWD Minden, on 20 May in the Sparkassen-Arena in Kiel. The cheque was accepted by Prof Dr Martin Schrappe, Head of General Paediatrics at the Schleswig-Holstein Universitätsklinikum, and Dr Simon Vieth, Consultant at the clinic. The donation sum is to be used for the purchase of further medical equipment in order to promote the mobility of the little patients in the long term. star petrol stations' goal is, through continued engagement, to build up a little equipment park where the children feel at home. That's why star has decided to carry on with the campaign next season.

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PKN ORLEN SA is listed on the stock exchanges in Warsaw and London and is represented in the petrol station market in Eastern and Central Europe with a total of 2,700 petrol stations in Germany, Lithuania, Poland and the Czech Republic. In recent years, large investments have been made in Lithuania and the Czech Republic in order to get another step closer to the objective of becoming the leading oil company in Central Europe.

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