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Rick's Sports Betting: Bet On Low Corner Counts - By Rick Elliott

There are 64 fixtures in the 2018 World Cup in Russia over June and July. If you are an England supporter on past form you will only get excited about their three matches in the group stage. The winners, losing finalists and losing semi-finalists will play seven matches. The 3rd/4th playoff match must be the most meaningless and least anticipated fixture in international football. There will be plenty of the 48 matches before the knockout rounds that will involve teams that have no interest to British viewers. The point is most of the World Cup will be boring.

However, any match can be livened with a bet and there will be a massive amount of choice, both in pre-match and live betting. Customised betting allows customers to combine a match outcome and other facet of a match. The 2018 World Cup will be a betting bonanza because the kick-offs are punter friendly. The betting strategy described below can be applied to any league or tournament as long as the relevant statistics are available. Betting on the number of corners is timeless.

The aim in any football match is to score goals. The other events are secondary because the team that scores most goals wins a match or progresses to the next round in a knockout tournament. However, corner counts is one of the areas in which you can win money as long as you have the relevant statistics available. By recording or finding records related to the number of corners a team wins or concedes you can generate some profits in the second half of a league season or during a tournament.

If the system is applied to a tournament which is played in a neutral country you can examine the numbers of corners won and conceded during qualifying. Any European Championships or World Cup can be made to be more interesting when you bet on the number of corners in a match. In domestic football you should use the first half of the season to record the number of corners a team wins and concedes home and away. A match brings together teams that might have a combined high corner record, a low corner record or a mid range record.

The system is simple but effective but your records must be accurate. Many leading bookmakers don't use all the available statistics but if you have them to hand the field is open to make money. Over the first half of the season a comprehensive corners record will be built up which can be used for betting on the number of corners in subsequent matches. This system can be used on league fixtures and matches in tournaments. The theory is to note corner totals and apply the data to upcoming matches, both in leagues and tournaments.

You can add a further element to the analysis by taking into account the following factors that help to determine total corners:

- Attacking nature
- Defensive tactics
- Clearing lines
- Size of pitch
- Weather

With this information in hand after the first half of the season and qualifying matches for tournaments the next stage is to start betting which you can do with confidence. Bookmakers offer odds on Over/Under corners or bands of which there are usually three. If the statistics indicate a match involves teams with low corner records bet low or under. If the statistics indicate a match involves teams with a high corner count bet under. If the statistics are inconclusive bet on the mid-range number of corners.

Today's Sports Betting Preview - By Rick Elliott

Blaklion Is The National Bet

The Grand National is the people's race and the one day in the year when the man on the street goes to the races. It is the longest race in the calendar and still the ultimate test for horse and rider. The fences are more forgiving and in recent years there has been a reduction in the number of horses that don't get round. In good ground it's a tough assignment to finish but the degree of difficulty increase when the going is soft. There has been plenty of rain in the Aintree area so there will be a heavy ground National. That means more horses will be pulled up and a low number of finishers. The tip for the race is BLAKLION at 14/1.

The novices' chase at 3.00 is a good opportunity for Petit Mouchoir. He is by some distance the best horse in the field on form over hurdles and fences. The tactics were wrong at Cheltenham where Footpad took advantage and Petit Mouchoir finished third. That was still a reasonable effort in the context of today's race so PETIT MOUCHOIR should be backed at 8/15 with Ladbrokes. The stayers' hurdle gives SAM SPINNER a chance to make up for not winning at Cheltenham and the best price is 6/4 with bet365. It's then the greatest race in the world.

There are three live matches in the Premier League today so it will be a betting bonanza. Liverpool begin their home fixture with Bournemouth at 5.30 which is 15 minutes after the Grand National starting time. The race is the most watched in the world so you would hope for a good race with no casualties. There could be less than 10 finishers but hopefully one of those will be Blaklion and the horse will be the first past the finishing post.

The Return of The County Championship - England's Struggles Offer Window of Opportunity - By Dave Owens

England's disastrous winter in Australia and New Zealand has put added emphasis and interest on the opening salvos of the County Championship that start this week. There is a feeling that change could well be in the air with regards to the composition of the England test side - with the struggles down under putting a lot of places up for grabs, due to a mixture of players either struggling to make the grade at the highest level and a few players who are at the back end of their careers and with question marks on how long they can or want to go on with the rigours of test match cricket.

The result of which sees the opening match's offering a real opportunity for a lot of players to put their names into the selectors conscious with early season wickets and particularly runs with numerous batting spots seemingly up for

grabs. The added scrutiny on teams and players form in the early weeks of the season is a welcome boost to the Championship with the season starting in its usual damp and cold conditions and suffering with the inevitable comparison to the IPL taking place at the same time in front of packed houses with the glitz and razzmatazz as well as the cricketing worlds attention to it.

Aside from the intrigue of the first few months offering a pathway to new players and talent potentially playing on the big stage for England this summer. The English county season will be graced with some of the very best players in the world playing in front of the shires in the coming months with the news that Chetsehwar Pujara, Aiden Markram, Hashim Alma joined by Kane Williamson to showcase some of the best batting talent in the world and two of the best fast bowlers of recent times in Morne Morkel and Dale Steyn joining the Championship as well.

With regards to betting opportunity's Bet365 and William Hill have offered in play odds on the outcome of four-day matches with the proviso of "draw no bet". Backing a four-day game pre-match is fraught with difficulty at the start of the season with no knowledge of what teams will be selected, batting orders, bowling combinations and possibly most importantly how wickets will play. Betting after a day's play, can sometimes answer a lot of these questions with regards to the pitch and the sides selected and can allow a more considered and accurate prediction of which way the game will go with the safety net of a draw and the stake being returned which is a bit of a god send with the usual April showers kick starting the season!

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Declan's Eye-Catchers - By Declan O'Donoghue

BALLINISKA BAND (Charles Byrnes) This horse - named after an English Greyhound Derby winner - has already been a great moneyspinner for our Irish Racing Service and he certainly rates a very sharp prospect.

CHAMPAGNE PAT (Jonathon Sweeney) Didn't exactly have the corks popping when last of seven at Dundalk last Tuesday. But rider Seamie Heffernan said he hung all the way and feels he will be a totally different horse when racing at a right handed track.

FINANCIAL CONDUCT (Andy Oliver) Has continued to climb the ratings on the Polytrack at Dundalk and ready to race on turf now. Must not be under-rated and could prove Stakes level at least.

HAVE A NICE DAY (John Feane) We've often heard of seven furlongs specialists and this fellow proves the point as he has won ten times, all over that trip. Six furlongs or a mile just doesn't seem to work. While he has been earning his keep at Dundalk lately, he will be back racing at The Curragh when the ground dries out. He has a decent record at Headquarters - but only at his best trip!

SERGEI PROKOFIEV (Aidan O'Brien) Ran a bit green in the closing stages under hands and heels when just pipped at Dundalk on Wednesday evening. Caravaggio - also by Scat Daddy - won the same race two years ago and this lad could follow in his hoofprints by going to Royal Ascot.

SUPASUNDAE (Jessica Harrington) Ran a cracker at Aintree on unsuitably soft ground. His trainer stated: "No excuses, we were beaten by a better horse on the day. Will go to Punchestown now for either the two miles or three miles hurdles. Will stay over hurdles next season."

TELL ME ANNIE (Declan Queally) Most unlucky at Cork, no mistake at Limerick. Very lightly raced for a nine year old, she is certainly making up for lost time. Somewhat unusually for a race mare she has already had a foal, and heads next for a Mares Listed at Punchestown. A big step up in class for sure and black type may be the aim but she should not be under estimated.

WHERE EAGLES DARE (Noel Meade) A very smooth Limerick bumper winner on Thursday for his in form trainer. Looks a nice prospect and would certainly be interesting in a winners bumper though the son of Mahler clearly has a future over hurdles. Better ground won't be an issue.

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