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Team In Focus: Brighton - By Rick Elliott

BetFan are producing a weekly feature of a Team in Focus and are working through the 20 teams in the Premier League. The leading teams in some of the main leagues in the rest of Europe will also be covered. During the summer we will look at the key statistics for the four teams playing in the finals of the UEFA Nations League.

This week the Team In Focus is **BRIGHTON.** A run of six games without scoring a goal has dragged Brighton into a relegation dog fight with Cardiff. With two games remaining the club could still face the nightmare scenario of relegation to the Championship. Brighton have the worst goal difference outside the two relegated teams and Cardiff and only two of those teams have scored fewer goals. Despite currently being in 17th place Brighton's home form has not been too bad. However, they have conceded six more goals than they have scored at the Amex Stadium. The performance in defeat away at Tottenham is cause for some optimism but Premier League safety is not yet assured.

Statistics

All the statistics and records shown below are correct as at May 3rd 2019.

Premier League			
Points	Home	Away	Total
Played	18	18	36
Won	6	3	9
Lost	7	12	19
Drawn	5	3	8
Points	23	12	35
Average	1.28	0.67	0.97
Total Goals	Home	Away	Total
Goals For	18	15	33
Average	1.00	0.83	0.92
Goals Against	24	31	55
Average	1.33	1.72	1.53
Bookings	Home	Away	Total
Points For	430	300	730
Average	23.89	16.67	20.28
Points Against	375	140	515
Average	20.83	7.78	14.31
Total	805	440	1245
Average	44.72	24.44	34.58
Over/Under	Home	Away	Total
No goals	1	1	2
	5.56%	5.56%	5.56%
Over 0.5 goals	17	17	34
	94.44%	94.44%	94.44%
Over 1.5 goals	12	12	24
	66.67%	66.67%	66.67%
Over 2.5 goals	6	10	16
	33.33%	55.56 %	44.44%
Over 3.5 goals	5	4	9
Over 1 5 goole	27.78%	22.22%	25.00%
Over 4.5 goals	2 11.11%	1 5.56%	3 8.33%
Both Teams To Score	Home	Away	Total
Yes	9	9	18
	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%
No	9	9	18

	50.00%	50.00%	50.00%
Match Goals	Home	Away	Total
First Goal	8	4	12
	44.44%	22.22%	33.33%
Last Goal	11	7	18
	61.11%	38.89	50.00%

Statistics Of Note

Here are the five most significant Premier League trends that can be used when betting on Brighton during the rest of the Premier League season:

- BTTS in half of home and away matches.
- Last goal in 11 of 18 matches at home.
- Lowest away against bookings in the league.
- 1 goal per match on average at home.
- 2 goalless draws in 36 fixtures.

Prospects For The Rest Of The Season

Brighton are four points better off than Cardiff with two games remaining and one of the clubs will be relegated to the Championship. Brighton's goal difference is 14 goals better than Cardiff's so that is worth a point. However, their last two matches are against Arsenal away from home and Manchester City at home in a crucial match for the defending champions. Brighton will struggle to add to their point's tally so will be reliant on Cardiff not picking up maximum points at home to Crystal Palace and at Manchester United in the final fixture of the season. This could go to the wire and Brighton are in a big hole and the outcome could be disastrous.

Tip For The Season

Brighton to be relegated at 20/1 with Betfair.

Today's Sports Betting Preview & BONUS Tips - By Rick Elliott

The Wire Is Fast Approaching In The Premier League

That famous wire is what the Premier League is going down to and today the ball is in Liverpool's court. The team in second place and one point behind Manchester City play at Newcastle in the tea-time TV fixture with no margin for error. City visit Leicester on Monday and wins for the two title contenders would set up final day deciders. Liverpool play Wolves at Anfield and City visit Brighton and both sides may need points for different reasons. The manager of Newcastle is Rafa Benitez and the Leicester boss is Brendon Rodgers, both former Liverpool managers. If either do their old club a favour LIVERPOOL would almost certainly be champions of England for the first time in 29 years and that outcome is 7/2 with <u>Coral</u>.

Newcastle are becalmed in mid-table safety, free from relegation issues and with no chance of qualifying for Europe. There is a much held betting theory that the team with something to play for have an edge against opponents with nothing on the line. However, the evidence suggests competitive professional footballers just want to win football matches regardless of the circumstances. Conversely, you could say teams play better without the fear of losing. Newcastle have already lost nine league matches at home, scoring 22 goals and conceding 22. That may not become 10 because Liverpool look vulnerable and the DRAW is 4/1 with **Paddy Power**.

The 2,000 Guineas takes place at Newmarket (3.35) over the Rowley Mile and colts and fillies aged three are eligible for the first Classic of the season. It's a strange anomaly that females can run in all five Classic but male horses can only run in three. However, fillies rarely run in the 2,000 and Derby and today's field is colts only. The market leaders are Ten Sovereigns and Magna Grecia, both trained by Aidan O'Brien who has won the race nine, between 1998 and 2018. However, SKARDU is proven over the course and distance and can prevail at 8/1 with **Coral**.

EXPERIENCE

Racing Correspondent The Irish Sun December 1995 – February 2015 (19 years 3 months)

Irish Racing contributer and tipster William Hill Radio April 2008 – October 2013 (5 years 7 months)

Sports Sub Editor, Evening Press The Irish Press Group January 1979 – May 1995 (16 years 5 months)

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My Task Is To Keep Punters Ahead of The Game While Finding Them The Best Irish Racing Winners!

Trackside In Ireland - By Declan O'Donoghue

A star is born. On the day after Ruby Walsh hung up his saddle for the last time, Willie Mullins launched a potential superstar at Punchestown on Thursday when Chacun Pour Soi turned the Ryanair Novice Chase into a lap of honour.

Bought by key Willie Mullins man Harold Kirk - who else? - for Rich Ricci in France three years ago it's been a long wait but what a way to announce yourself by putting both the Arkle and JLT winners Duc Des Genievres and Defi Du Seuil firmly in their places.

And Defi Du Seuil's trainer Philip Hobbs said without hesitation: "No excuses, it's quite simple - we were beaten by a very good horse."

Robbie Power was always confident on the well backed 3/1 chance who was simply different gravy.

He's seven years old and already looks the part for the Champion Chase. Quite frankly he'd give Altior plenty to think about. It was a good day for Mullins supporters as earlier My Sister Sarah repaid those who backed her in from 6/1 to 4/1 jolly with a snug win under Paul Townend in the Grade B handicap hurdle.

Townend also steered 9/10 hotpot Elfile home in a Listed Mares Novice and punters were sure The Big Getaway would ensure Mullins won the last four races on the card by scooting home in the concluding bumper.

But alas the 4/7 "good thing" was beaten half a length by Noel Meade's 8/1 shot Sixshooter. Ouch!

Earlier Unowhatimeanharry had regained top form to win the Ladbrokes Stayers Hurdle for a delighted Harry Fry.

Mark Walsh kicked the 16/1 shot home in front though it might have been very different had Vision Des Flos not made a 'town halls" of the last.

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