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## Team In Focus: B - By Rick Elliott

Today is the final weekly feature of a Team in Focus working through the 20 teams in the Premier League. All that remains is to look at the three relegated teams who will be playing in the Championship next season. **CARDIFF, FULHAM** and **HUDDERSFIELD** face the nightmare scenario of a drop from the Premier League and all the financial benefits. The key to an immediate return to the top tier is the players that can be retained. Some contracts include the clause that if a club are relegated they must accept a transfer request. However, teams are relegated because they don't have enough quality to survive. Managers often move on through their own choice or due to being removed from the position. Here are the prospects for the three clubs who are relegated from the Premier League at the end of the 2018/19 season.

### Statistics

All the statistics and records shown below are correct as at May 10th 2019 when there is just one programme of fixtures remaining that will be played on Saturday.

#### Cardiff 18th

Points	Home	Away	Total
Played	19	18	37
Won	6	3	9

Lost	11	13	24
Drawn	2	2	4
Points	20	11	31
Average	1.05	0.61	0.84

<b>Total Goals</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Goals For	21	11	32
Average	1.11	0.61	0.86
Goals Against	38	31	69
Average	2.00	1.72	1.86

### **Fulham 19th**

<b>Points</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Played	18	19	37
Won	6	1	7
Lost	9	16	25
Drawn	3	2	5
Points	21	5	26
Average	1.17	0.26	0.70

<b>Total Goals</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Goals For	22	12	34
Average	1.22	0.63	0.92
Goals Against	32	45	77
Average	1.78	2.37	2.08

### **Huddersfield 20th**

<b>Points</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Played	19	18	37
Won	2	1	3
Lost	14	14	28
Drawn	3	3	6
Points	9	6	15
Average	1.47	0.33	0.41

<b>Total Goals</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Total</b>
Goals For	10	11	21
Average	1.53	0.61	0.57
Goals Against	31	44	75
Average	1.63	2.44	2.03

## Statistics Of Note

Here are the six trends from the current season that may or may not be relevant for the relegated clubs 2019/20 season in the Championship:

- Cardiff had 2 draws both home and away.
- Cardiff conceded 2 goals a match on average at home.
- Fulham won 1 away match.
- Fulham conceded most goals in the Premier League.
- Huddersfield won just 3 matches.
- Huddersfield had the joint worst goal difference with Fulham.

## Prospects For Next Season

There is a huge transition from playing in the Premier League to competing in the Championship. Mentally players are coming off a season during which most matches were lost. It is a fresh start and new campaign and attitude can be just as important as ability. Some players will have moved on during the summer and there could be a new manager. Swansea, Stoke and West Brom were relegated last season and are currently 10th, 16th and 4th. Only West Brom qualified for the playoffs and it will be much harder next season for the other clubs to regain top level status. Huddersfield were so far off the pace that they could even struggle at the wrong end of the table. Fulham have the players for an immediate return but some won't be playing for the club next season. If Neil Warnock remains the manager **CARDIFF** will have the best chance of making their time in the Championship as short as possible. They have the financial backing and fan base to be playing in the Premier League in 2020/21.

## Tip For Next Season

Cardiff to be promoted to the Premier League.

## **All Or Nothing For Liverpool**

The four clubs embarking on the Championship playoffs are traditional top flight outfits who have hit on hard times. They have the resources and infrastructure to survive in the Premier League but only one will face that challenge next season. Meanwhile Manchester City and Liverpool fight to the end for the title this time. There is a sneaking suspicion that LIVERPOOL could prevail at 6/1 with Ladbrokes and then beat Tottenham in the final of the Champions. But it could be all or nothing.

The first playoff fixture brings together Aston Villa and West Brom at Villa Park. The away team finished one place and four points ahead of their opponents during the regular season. Villa's eight match form is better than that of their West Midlands neighbours. They have scored in all of 13 most recent fixtures and one goal could be enough to decide the first leg of this semi-final. ASTON VILLA are the team to back to win the match at 10/11 with bet365.

Leeds accumulated nine more points than Derby during the 46 match season but Derby have the edge in terms of recent form and home advantage today. However, the Rams won two of eight fixtures at home against teams that finished in the top nine. Leeds have won both fixtures in the Championship this season, scoring six goals and conceding one. Leeds have suffered some blows recently and momentum and form should see DERBY win this match at 21/10 with Ladbrokes.

Aidan O'Brien is winning all the Classics and most of the Derby trials and that process should continue at Lingfield today. The Derby trial at 2.30 is not such a major guide as other races like the Chester Vase or next week's Dante Stakes at York. O'Brien's ANTHONY VAN DYCK is the nap at Lingfield at 11/8 with bet365.

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# IRISH RACING



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

The opening Tipperary flat meeting of the year a few weeks ago had seen a stunning performance by first timer Sir Dragonet, a serious market drifter who romped home at 14/1, a result which shocked and delighted his Ballydoyle connections.

He brought it to another level again during the week when winning the Chester Vase from way off the pace and is now a warm favourite for the Epsom Derby.

Needless to say he was the talk of the town at Tipp on Thursday, a jumps meeting this time where perhaps Brahma Bull was the one to note. The Willie Mullins trained eight year old has been very difficult to train, but patience is a keyword at Closutton and the 13/8 favourite delivered in style in the beginners chase.

Brian Hayes did the steering and from what Patrick Mullins said some of the bigger names in the Mullins yard did not put up their hands to ride him as he has clearly had jumping issues at home.

"He has a big engine but hasn't been easy to train and is hard on himself. He's an awkward sort but Brian got a nice rhythm going with him" Patrick said.

He will step up in class a bit now, though possibly over a shorter trip than the three miles covered on Thursday.

Punters were also on target in the opener where even money jolly Carrie Des Champs delivered for Gordon Elliott and Jack Kennedy. The Robin Des Champs mare was different gravy, though untidy jumps at the last two hurdles did not help her cause.

Gavin Cromwell is probably still coming to terms with training a Champion Hurdle winner, and while his Rip Van Winkle gelding Cray will never mix it at anything like that level, he paid his way in style here justifying support from 9/1 into "fives."

The Robert Tyner trained Pack Your Bags was sent off a generous 11/2 when winning for the third time his last four races. The money here was all for Commandant but the Joseph O'Brien trained 100/30 market leader never really landed a blow for Rachael Blackmore and finished sixth.

**So Ryan Moore is always on the best one? Yeah, right... Declan's winners this week included Sir Dragonet 8/1 (won 13/2) and Magna Grecia 11/2. Other recent winners on the flat were Njord (a reserve!) 8/1 (w 9/2), I Am Superman 6/1 (w 9/2), Happen 11/4 and Circus Maximus 5/4. His Punchestown gems included Pearl Of The West 20/1 (w 12/1); Front View 5/1; Chacun Pour Soi 9/2 (w 3/1); Un De Sceaux 3/1 (w 11/4); Zero Ten 13/8 (w 5/4) and Gypsy Island 13/8 (w 11/10).**

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