



Following the first two rounds of the Heineken Cup, there are a couple of prices I really like:

Biarritz each way 9.5 Betfred (9.0 with Coral and Skybet)

Leicester each way 7.0 Stan James

Both teams have made excellent starts to the competition and now have extremely good chances of winning their groups and getting home ties at the quarter final stages which are given to the top 4 teams from the group stages.

Getting a home tie in the last 8 is essential in terms of odds and future progress as historically 3 out of 4 of these ties are won by the home team. It is for this reason that I am very interested in the each way aspect of both bets. The recommended bookmakers all offer $\frac{1}{2}$ the odds for getting to the final, so this means 5.25 on Biarritz and 4.0 on Leicester for the place portion of the bet. Don't have these bets with any bookmaker offering just $\frac{1}{3}$ the odds 1,2 as you are not getting good value at all on your place money.

Biarritz play Italian team Aironi in rounds 3 and 4 and will be looking for bonus point wins in both of these games to strengthen their position at the top of their group. They can then even afford to lose away at Ulster in round 5 and still be on course for a crucial home tie.

Leicester's task is not so easy on paper in round 3 as they travel away to Perpignan . However, I firmly believe that even if they lose this game they have a very good chance of still being one of the top 4 seeds come the knock-out stages.