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Introduction

Fantasy Challenge has been going for 15 seasons the FC World has been written about and spoken about for several of those seasons but last season the FC World publication came to the forefront of the game and gave great coverage of the FC Cup, it hopes to continue that coverage this season and expand in other areas.

Pre season is always the most exciting and optimistic part of the season, no one has lost a game and everyone thinks that they put together a winning squad.

So we thought it would be nice to ask the FC Expert to cast an eye and give his / her unique expert opinion on players we did though hand over these pages below is the FC Experts view.

So the FC World gave me this forum to look at players and make suggestions, if you look around the web there are many suggestions of players and reasons why you should pick those players. I wanted to take a different look so I am going to pick two players in each position the player to score most points and the player to be the best value.

Let me Just quantify when you see the points per million last season that is how many points the player scored last season but with this seasons valuation.

See my selections for Goalkeeper, Defender, Midfielder and Forwards, even if it this late stage you don't want them in your team you can follow them over the season and see how they do.

The selections for most points I might not get right but it would be a shock for them not to be too far away from being the top scorer in their position.

As for the Points per Millions this is all about finding that player who will gain you points but is going to be a cheap option if you are stuck for such a player look at my picks they performed last season and there is no reason to think they will ot this season.

On the final page I have a had little bit of fun if you haven't noticed the young England Teams had a great summer the U20's wining the World Cup and the U21's going out at the semi-final on penalties to Germnay , Surprise surprise, I have picked a squad form these two England teams.

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FC EXPERT SPEAKS - GOALKEEPERS

LAST SEASON MOST POINTS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Tom Heaton	Burnley	149

LAST SEASON BEST VALUE MOST POINTS PER MILLIONS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Tom Heaton	Burnley	29.8

MOST POINTS PREDICTION



David De Gea
Manchester United
£5.5 Million

Jose Mourinho's second season in charge of Manchester United, they have to challenge for the title, history tells us that Mourinho builds title challenges on defences. De Gea is the world class keeper that will sit behind that defence, they will help him to gain clean sheets and his talent will produce the saves to gain the extra fantasy points. The Premier League obviously are thinking the same as De Gea is the most expensive keeper in the game this season.

MOST VALUED POINTS PER MILLIONS PREDICTION

Lukasz Fabianski
Swansea City
£4.5 Million

Swansea struggled against relegation for most of last season and went through three manager's one thing those managers agreed upon was that Fabianski was there No 1. The ex-Arsenal goalkeeper finished 8th in the list of highest point scoring keepers last season and was 5th points per Million for Keepers. The Swans No 1 has shown himself to be a great shot stopper and earns points by the amount of saves he makes during games. Every Shots saved scores a point. The question is with Paul Clement looking more secure at Swansea will the Swans move back to mid table or be fighting relegation, If they move closer to mid table will Fabianski have to make as many saves.



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LAST SEASON MOST POINTS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Gary Cahill	Chelsea	178

LAST SEASON BEST VALUE MOST POINTS PER MILLIONS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Gary Cahill	Chelsea	27.38

MOST POINTS PREDICTION

Antonio Valencia
Manchester United
£6.5 Million



Another defensive selection from Manchester United, as stated for De Gea United have to challenge for the title under Mourinho. United secured the most clean sheets last season in the Premier league last season alongside Tottenham Hotspur 17. Valencia finished on 120 points last season which is 58 off of what Gary Cahill scored for Chelsea last season. I do not see Chelsea repeating such an impressive defensive season this time out. United due to the predicted title challenge will get close to their 17 clean sheets of last season but they will score more goals and Valencia the attacking left back, who is in fact a winger converted to a defender, will be involved in the greater goal return for a challenging United.

MOST VALUED POINTS PER MILLIONS PREDICTION

Nathan Ake
AFC Bournemouth
£5 Million

Back at Bournemouth but this time not on loan as a Bournemouth player signed for £20 Million, a lot of money not so much in today's transfer market. Why Ake, well 3 goals in 10 starts and 2 substitute appearances for Bournemouth last season was a great return. If he stays injury free Ake will start for Bournemouth so those 8 starts should be come 38 so he will treble his appearances. I doubt he will treble his goal tally but I back him to bag at least 3 goals in a full season and will get close to 6. Then those extra goal points will be made up of the extra clean sheets he will help Bournemouth get there is no doubt Bournemouth struggled immediately after his loan period ended last season.



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LAST SEASON MOST POINTS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Alexis Sanchez	Arsenal	264

LAST SEASON BEST VALUE MOST POINTS PER MILLIONS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Etienne Capoue	Watford	23.82

MOST POINTS PREDICTION



Dele Alli
Tottenham Hotspur
£9.5 Million

Was the second highest scoring midfielder last season and was second as the points to value. Yet I feel this is my riskiest pick. There is no doubting Alli's quality, his ability to score and gain assists so why the doubt. Well the Positives Tottenham haven't bought anyone yet so that means Alli is still going to be the main man, Spurs were 3rd two seasons ago and then finished runners-up a club and squad going in the right direction. The Negatives Tottenham haven't bought anyone so will they still be challenging for the title or fall back. There is the Wembley factor as well. All that said I am going to back Alli to have another great season.

MOST VALUED POINTS PER MILLIONS PREDICTION

Wilfried Zaha
Crystal Palace
£7 Million

With the arrival of Frank De Boer it is thought that Crystal Palace are going to be more of a footballing side keeping the ball on the ground and trying to attack with fast quick passing movements, that surely is going to suit Zaha's style. Towards the end of last season Zaha was starting to show the form that made Manchester United buy him and had all the journalist purring over him. He has not quite lived up to expectations and struggled to get into the England squad choosing to play for Ivory Coast (Cote D'Ivoire). Not sure many would have felt it was a loss for England but seeing his powerful running on the ball and goals towards to the end of the season Zaha is improving and it is looking like it could well be England's loss my suggestion is don't let Zaha be your loss for your fantasy team, goals and assists for sure this season.



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FC EXPERT SPEAKS - FORWARDS

LAST SEASON MOST POINTS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Harry Kane	Tottenham Hotspur	224

LAST SEASON BEST VALUE MOST POINTS PER MILLIONS

PLAYER	CLUB	POINTS
Joshua King	AFC Bournemouth	23.73

MOST POINTS PREDICTION



Romelu Lukaku
Manchester United
£11.5 Million

A 3rd pick from Manchester United again the thinking is that United are going to be challenging for the title. Lukaku finished just 3 points behind Harry Kane last season. Surely he is going to score more in a United shirt. One of the concerns raised about Lukaku as a footballer and his signing for Manchester United is that he doesn't do it against the top teams, for fantasy football

though all that matters is goals and United had a big problems last season putting opponents away Lukaku is going to help with that. Mourinho has bought him and The Fantasy Premier League have valued him the equal second highest Forward so I feel I am in company rating Lukaku's chances of being the top scorer.

MOST VALUED POINTS PER MILLIONS PREDICTION

Sam Vokes
Burnley
£6 Million

Vokes finished 4th in last season lists of points per millions. Only valued at just £6 Million which is less than Harry Kane who is the most expensive forward at £12.5 Million Vokes represents great value. I am not saying Vokes will outscore Kane but last season a return of 121 points is great value for £6 Million. As a third striker and Vokes looks a good bet he sure to be starting every week for Burnley and will be leading the line scoring goals and gaining assists. I am sur of all the selections here Vokes is the one which will raise most eyebrows let me just ask you to cast your mind back to Euro 2016 and that Wales Belgium quarter-Final, try and remember Vokes headed goal, if you are wondering about his quality there is your answer.



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FC EXPERT SPEAKS – ENGLANDS FUTURE

Not sure these boys are ready just yet but you can pick a squad from the World Cup winning England Under 20 team and combine them with the England Under 21 squad for just £75.65 Million leaving £24.5 Million in the Bank.

Pitch View List View

Pickford
STK (H)

Walker-Peters
NEW (A)

Mawson
SOU (A)

Stephens
SWA (H)

Loftus-Cheek
HUD (H)

Hughes
LIV (H)

Chalobah
LIV (H)

Redmond
SWA (H)

Solanke
WAT (A)

Calvert-Lewin
STK (H)

Abraham
SOU (A)

Heaton
CHE (A)
GK

Chambers
LEI (H)
1

Holgate
STK (H)
2

Gray
ARS (A)
3